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October 21 is observed in commemoration of these martyrs and of all other martyrs who made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty

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The Home Minister will flag-off a motorcycle rally of about 90 Police riders from States/UTs (Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi); Central Armed Police Forces (CRPF, CISF, BSF, SSB, ITBP and NSG) and some Central Police Organisations (RPF, NDRF and NIA). This is part of a nationwide rally themed 'Fight Against Drugs', wherein Police riders from all States/UTs and Central Forces would reach Ekta Nagar, Gujarat to join the Ekta Parade on October 31, 2026.

On October 21, 1959, ten valiant Policemen laid down their lives in an ambush laid by heavily armed Chinese troops at Hot Springs, Ladakh. Since then, October 21 is observed as Police Commemoration Day every year. In recognition of the sacrifices

made by Police personnel and their paramount role in preserving national security and integrity, the Prime Minister dedicated National Police Memorial (NPM), Chanakyapuri, New Delhi to the nation on Police Commemoration Day-2018.

The Memorial gives Police Forces a sense of national identity, pride, unity of purpose, common history and destiny, besides reinforcing their commitment to protect the nation even at the cost of their lives. The Memorial comprises a Central Sculpture, the 'Wall of Valour' and a Museum. The Central Sculpture, which is a 30 feet high granite monolith cenotaph, stands for strength, resilience and selfless service of Police personnel. The Wall of Valour on which the names of martyrs are engraved stands as a steadfast acknowledgement of the bravery and sacrifice of Police personnel who have laid down their lives in the line of duty since Independence. The museum is conceptualized as a historical and evolving exhibition on policing in India. The Memorial is a site of pilgrimage, a place of reverence for Police personnel and citizen alike. The NPM is open to public on all days except Mondays. Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) organise band display, parade and retreat ceremony at the NPM on every Saturday and Sunday in the evening, starting one hour prior to sunset.

On the lines of previous years, Police Commemoration Day, i.e., October 21, will be observed across the country to pay homage to police martyrs. The main function will be organised at National Police Memorial, New Delhi, where a joint parade of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Delhi Police would be held. As per custom, the Union Home Minister will preside over the function. Union MoS (Home), MPs with Police background, Heads of CAPFs/CPOs amongst others will also pay homage to the martyrs by laying wreaths. Retired DGs, officers from Police fraternity and other dignitaries will also attend the event.

Apart from paying homage to the Police martyrs, Union Home Minister will address the assembly. The programme will conclude with Union Home Minister laying a wreath at the altar dedicated to the martyrs of Hot Springs. The event will be telecast live on Doordarshan, webcast on Police websites and covered by AIR and media.

As a part of the remembrances, CAPFs/CPOs will organise various Commemorative Events at NPM from October 22 to 30, which will include visits of family members of martyrs, Police Band Display, motorcycle rallies, Run for Martyrs, blood donation camps, essay/painting competitions for children and display of video films showcasing sacrifice, valour and services of Police personnel. Similar programmes will be organised by all the Police Forces across the country during this period.



**National Police Memorial
Chanakyapuri, New Delhi**

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