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NationWide Fire Service Week celebrated at AAI's airports & Fire Training Centre ,New Delhi

New Delhi – 29th April, 2014: The theme of this year function was to create awareness about safety. **'Fire Service Week'** was observed at Fire Training Centre, New Delhi w.e.f. 14th to 20th April, 2014. On 14th April, 2014, on the occasion of **'Fire Service Day'**, **Shri G. K. Chaukiyal, Member (Ops.)** was the Chief Guest and he presided the event as a **'Supreme Commander'**.

The event was also graced by the presence of other senior officers and staff of AAI. The event was also attended by the distinguished guests from other organizations, Kendriya Vidyalaya teachers, students and AAI's staff members.

Chief Guest and other dignitaries present at the occasion **laid wreath on the 'Firefighters Memorial' and paid homage to the martyrs.** Two minutes silence was also observed for the firefighters who sacrificed their life in service of the nation.

. The **'Supreme Commander'**, Shri. G. K. Chaukiyal hoisted the Fire Service Flag and was given **'Guard of Honor'** by Shri R. P. Naugain, Manager (FS) and his squad. Thereafter **'Supreme Commander'** also received salute from the marching squad from the saluting base.

A live demonstration of various firefighting and rescue techniques like Physical Training, Cutting Tools Operation, Pocket Fire, Rescue Methods, Rescue with Ladder and Rescue with Rope, Smoke Extraction and Rescue, LPG Tray Fire, Breathing Apparatus Set, Ladder Leg Lock Firefighting, Aircraft Fire Fighting, Exhibition of Firefighting Equipment was made.

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Shri G.K.Chaukiyal, Member (Operations), AAI taking 'Guard of Honor' during the Fire Safety Week celebrated at Fire Training Centre, New Delhi from 14th to 20th April, 2014.

Notes to the Editor:-

'**Fire Service Week**' was observed at Fire Training Centre, New Delhi w.e.f. 14th April, 2014 to 20th April, 2014. On 14th April, 2014, on the occasion of '**Fire Service Day**', **Shri G. K. Chaukiyal, Member (Ops.)** was invited as a Chief Guest and also presided the events as a '**Supreme Commander**'.

The event was also grace by the presence of **Shri. Bakhshish Singh, Regional Executive Director (NR)**, General Managers, other senior officers and staff. The event was also attended by distinguished guests from other organizations, Kendriya Vidyalaya teachers, students and our own staff members.

Chief Guest Shri G.K. Chaukiyal, Member (Ops.) was welcome by Regional Executive Director(NR) and Principal, FTC by presenting bouquet of flower.

Chief Guest and other dignitaries present at the occasion laid wreath on the 'Firefighters Memorial' and paid homage to the martyrs. Two minutes silence was also observed for the firefighters who sacrificed their life in service of the nation.

After observing two minutes silence, Chief Guest arrived at Parade Ground, where squads led by Shri R. P. Naugain, Manager (FS) were awaiting with his squad. Principal, FTC, Mohd. Hanif presented hat with '**Airport Fire Service**' monogram to Chief Guest and requested to preside event as a '**Supreme Commander**'.

'Supreme Commander' Shri. G. K. Chaukiyal hoisted the Fire Service Flag and was given 'Guard of Honor' by Shri R. P. Naugain, Manager (FS) and his squad. Thereafter 'Supreme Commander' also received salute from the marching squad from the saluting base.

On this occasion, host and the Principal, FTC Mohd. Hanif, gave his welcome speech. In his speech, he welcome all the guests and also mentioned about various achievements by FTC during last year, including acquiring TRAINAIRPlus Certification from ICAO.

After welcome address of Principal FTC, students of Kendriya Vidyalaya presented colourful dance and drama programme.

Thereafter, officials and Trainees of Fire Training Centre gave live demonstration of various firefighting and rescue techniques to the distinguished guests present.

1. **Physical Training** – Team of Basic Training Course trainees demonstrated various physical training activities undertaken on daily basis to increase stamina and endurance of firefighter.
2. **Cutting Tools Operation** – Trainees gave demonstration of various hydraulic cutting tools and Power Driven Saw, which are being used for rescue purpose.
3. **Pocket Fire** – Fire Fighters demonstrated how to fight fire using various types of fire extinguishers.
4. **Rescue Methods** – Firefighters demonstrated how to rescue injured persons from crash site using various rescue methods without wasting time for stretchers or additional help.
5. **Rescue with Ladder and Rescue with Rope** – Demonstration was given by fire fighters, how to rescue person with the help of ladder and rope, when injured are trapped on upper floors and normal exit routes are not available for rescue purpose.
6. **Smoke Extraction and Rescue** - Firefighters demonstrated, how to extract smoke from the room filled with smoke and undertake rescue.
7. **LPG Tray Fire** – FTC extensively uses LPG Tray for training purpose. The same is also used for giving demonstration and training to the staff of other establishments of

AAI as well as Kendriya Vidyalaya. Guests were invited to fight LPG tray fire using fire extinguishers.

8. **Breathing Apparatus Set** – Firefighters demonstrated how to undertake rescue operations for confined place using BA Set.
9. **Ladder Leg Lock Firefighting** – Demonstration was given by firefighters on how to lock led on ladder and do fire fighting.
10. **Aircraft Fire Fighting** – Firefighters are given extensive training at FTC to deal with Aircraft crash situation. Firefighters demonstrated how to approach such aircraft and do firefighting using Crash Fire Tender. They also demonstrated how to secure rescue path and undertake rescue operation. Triage Area was also setup to demonstrate how firefighters deal with mass number of casualties and transport them to hospital.
11. **Exhibition of Firefighting Equipments** – Various firefighting equipments were kept at pandal for exhibition. Chief Guest, RED (NR) and other guests visited this exhibition and take information about various equipments.

Thereafter, **Shri Bakhshish Singh, Regional Executive Director (NR)**, in his address to the gathering, appreciated efforts given by officials of FTC in creating awareness among employees about fire safety. He also congratulated Principal, FTC for acquiring TRAINAIRPlus certification.

Supreme Commander for the event **Shri. G. K. Chaukiyal, Member (Ops.)** in his address to the gathering appreciated skills and expertise of the FTC Officers, staff and trainees. He also mention the importance of Airport Fire Service in safe operation and fire safety of airports. He also stated that, very soon latest equipments will be acquired by AAI to augment effectiveness of AFS.

After his address, Chief Guest distributed mementos to the KV Students and teachers for their participation in the event.

To conclude the event, Shri R. P. Naugain, Manager (FS) gave vote of thanks to the distinguished guests present. He also appreciated support and guidance given by the Shri Bakhshish Singh, Regional Executive Director (NR), in organizing this event. He also appreciated efforts and dedicated of all officials and trainees of FTC in successfully conduction 'Fire Service Day' event.

During Fire Service Week, FTC also gave firefighting demonstration at Central Workshop, Safdarjung Airport, Kendriya Vidyalay Vasantkunj, and Indian Aviation Academy, to create awareness about fire safety.