



CRPF Cup Second Edition

Why in News?

Recently, the **second edition of the [Central Reserve Police Force \(CRPF\) Cup Srinagar Sector](#), a cricket tournament** scheduled from 20th to 28th November 2024, was inaugurated. Its aim is to **establish maximum engagement with the youth of Kashmir.**

Key Points

- **Situation in Kashmir:**
 - A senior CRPF officer in Srinagar stated that the **situation in Kashmir is under control**, highlighting that all **security agencies are working in close coordination to ensure stability** in the region
- **Inauguration of CRPF Cup:**
 - The CRPF Inspector General inaugurated the second edition of the CRPF Cup at the **Sher-e-Kashmir Stadium in Srinagar.**
 - The tournament features **16 teams**, 12 from Srinagar district and two each from Budgam and Ganderbal districts.
- **Upcoming Sports Events:**
 - It was announced that a **football tournament is planned for December 2024** as part of ongoing youth engagement initiatives.

Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)

- **Inception and Evolution:**
 - The CRPF was initially **established as the Crown Representatives Police in 1939** in response to political turmoil and unrest within the princely states.
 - The force was **renamed the Central Reserve Police Force in 1949.**
 - [Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel](#), the then Home Minister, envisioned a multifaceted role for the CRPF, aligning its functions with the evolving needs of a newly independent nation.
- **Specialised Units:**
 - The CRPF has several specialised units, including [the Rapid Action Force \(RAF\)](#), [Commando Battalion for Resolute Action \(CoBRA\)](#), **VIP Security Wing, and Mahila Battalions.**
- **Achievements and Contributions:**
 - The force has thwarted attacks on important national landmarks, **controlled militancy in Punjab and insurgency in Tripura**, and made significant contributions to **eradicating Naxalism.**
- **Honouring the Bravehearts:**
 - The CRPF has paid a heavy price, with 2,255 of its **soldiers making the supreme sacrifice** and being honoured with decorations, including the [George Cross](#), [Ashok Chakra](#), [Kirti Chakra](#), [Shaurya Chakra](#), etc.

