



National Security Guards in Jammu

Why in News?

Recently, the [Ministry of Home Affairs \(MHA\)](#) has permanently established a [National Security Guards \(NSG\)](#) unit in **Jammu** to swiftly respond to any large-scale **terrorist incident**.

- Previously, NSG commandos had to be airlifted from Delhi or Chandigarh, causing delays.

Key Points

- **Enhanced Security Measures in Jammu City:**
 - A **security review** has led to measures for protecting high-rise buildings, critical installations, and public areas in Jammu City.
 - **Regular assessments** are conducted to ensure preparedness and prevent attacks.
 - Permanent deployment has significantly **reduced response times**.
- **Integration with Broader Anti-Terror Strategy:**
 - Deployment of NSG complements the anti-terror plan devised by the Jammu and Kashmir Police (JKP).
 - Focus areas include high-risk locations like multi-story buildings, critical infrastructure, and crowded spaces.
- **Multi-Layered Security Approach:**
 - Officials assert that the city's multi-layered security perimeter prevents terrorist infiltration.
 - The NSG serves as a backup force for prolonged engagements, supporting primary responders like the [Special Operations Group \(SOG\)](#).
 - SOG and allied units are the **first responders, with other security agencies available for support**.
- **Recent Terrorist Incidents and Counter-Operations:**
 - In 2024, **Jammu region saw multiple terrorist attacks** in districts like Kathua, Udhampur, Kishtwar, Doda, Reasi, Rajouri, and Poonch.
 - **Counter-operations have eliminated several terrorists**, minimizing their impact.
 - In October 2024, Pakistani infiltrators planning a **major attack were neutralized** in the Khour sector of Akhnoor by Army personnel.

National Security Guards (NSG)

- **About:**
 - The NSG was **created in 1984** as a **federal contingency force to tackle terrorism**.
 - Its mission is to **train, equip, and keep in readiness a special force** capable of swiftly and effectively combating terrorism, living up to its motto '[Sarvatra Sarvottam Suraksha](#)'.
- **Structure:**
 - It was modeled on the **Special Air Service (SAS)** of the United Kingdom and GSG-9 of Germany, with two complementary elements - the [Special Action Group \(SAG\)](#) comprising Army personnel and the [Special Ranger Groups \(SRG\)](#) comprising personnel from Central Armed Police Forces and State Police Forces.

