



## 16 Policemen Including Even IPS Officers of Jharkhand Will Receive the Home Minister's Vishisht Abhiyan Medal-2023

### Why In News?

On October 31, 2023, a notification was issued by the Union Home Ministry regarding awarding the Union Home Minister Vishisht Abhiyan Medal-2023 to 16 policemen including seven IPS officers of Jharkhand.

### Key Points:

- 16 policemen including seven IPS from Jharkhand will be given this medal for 'Operation Octopus'.
- It may be noted that 'Operation Octopus' was conducted against the Naxalites on Budha Pahad surrounded by Latehar and Garhwa districts from August 18, 2022 to February 1, 2023, which was quite successful.
- The seven IPS officers nominated for the medal include Jharkhand ADG (Operations) Sanjay Anandrao Lathkar, IG (Operations) Amol Venukant Homkar, IG Palamu Rajkumar Lakra, DIG Ranchi Anup Birathre (then SIB DIG), Special Branch SP Shivani Tiwari (currently on central deputation), Latehar SP Anjani Anjan and then Garhwa SP Anjani Kumar Jha (Currently SP ACB).
- The police personnel nominated for the medal include Assistant Commandant Kamlesh Kumar, Inspector Satyendra Kumar Singh, SI Gautam Kumar, SI Manohar Ram, SI Jamil Ansari, Second in Command Vivekanand Singh, Head Constable Rajkumar Oraon, Constable Ratan Kumar Yadav and Constable Vishnu Shankar.



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