



President's Secretariat

# President of India Extends his Greetings on the Occasion of Army Day 2017

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The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee has extended his greetings and felicitations to all officers, soldiers, veterans, civilians, ex-servicemen and their families on the occasion of Army Day 2017.

In his message, the President has said, "I am happy to learn that the Army Day is being celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.

The Indian Army plays a pivotal role in ensuring the national security of India, whilst defending our borders across some of the most perilous terrain in the world. It provides stability during internal security challenges and is often called upon to provide assistance during natural calamities. The Indian Army is known for its professionalism, selfless commitment and the unparalleled bravery of its rank and file.

Today, we remember our bravehearts who have made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty. The nation is indebted to them and their families. I wish to place on record our deepest appreciation for the dedication and devotion of our soldiers in their service to the nation.

I am confident the Indian Army will continue to acquit itself as a robust and vital instrument of national power in the coming years.

I wish the Army Day celebrations all success".

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