

# CRPF chaupal

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**In news**– In order to reduce the stress among the personnel, CRPF has launched an initiative called Chaupal recently.

## **About Chaupal**–

- It seeks to **promote a culture of talking and greater interaction at its camps**.
- Once or twice a week, 18-20 personnel will sit in chairs in a circle outdoors, perhaps under a tree.
- The chaupal, which shall be **planned beforehand, will be attended by personnel of all ranks**, all of whom will be in civilian clothes.
- Company, platoon, or section commanders must necessarily be part of the chaupal **“group sharing exercise”**.
- It will be of **1-2 hours’ duration**, during which participants will not have access to their phones.
- There will be **no discussion of official or operational issues**.
- **Discussions will be entirely informal so that an atmosphere may be created in which every participant is able to talk** about any domestic or personal issue without any hesitation.
- It must be ensured that no one laughs at or makes fun of anyone else; rather every person is encouraged to speak freely.

## **About Central Reserve Police Force(CRPF)**–

- The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) is India’s largest Central Armed Police Force.
- It functions under the authority of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) of the Government of India.
- Its primary role lies in assisting the State/Union Territories in police operations to maintain law and order and counter insurgency.

- It came into existence as Crown Representative's Police on 27th July 1939.
- It became the CRPF on enactment of the CRPF Act on 28th December 1949.
- Its mission is to enable the government to maintain Rule of Law, Public Order and Internal Security effectively and efficiently, to Preserve National Integrity and Promote Social Harmony and Development by upholding supremacy of the Constitution.