

## SHER-I-KASHMIR MEDALS



### Issue

The Sher-i-Kashmir medals have been modified by the government of Jammu and Kashmir.

### Background

The medals are awarded to J&K Police for gallantry and meritorious service.

### Details

- The new changes include removing image of former Chief Minister Sheikh Abdullah and the emblem of the erstwhile state of J&K.
- The new medals will carry the national emblem of India and the words "Jammu and Kashmir Police Medal for Gallantry" or "Jammu and Kashmir Medal for Meritorious Service".
- The words "Sher-i-Kashmir" were replaced with "Jammu and Kashmir" on these medals in 2020 after abrogation of Article 370.

### The Sher-i-Kashmir medals

- The medals were instituted in 2001 by the National Conference government. It is made up of 3 tola pure gold.
- The medal had image of Sheikh Abdullah, known as Sher-i-Kashmir (Lion of Kashmir), on one side, and the emblem of the Jammu and Kashmir state on the other.

### Conferring award

- The medals were awarded to officers/ officials serving in Jammu and Kashmir for their exemplary bravery in the line of duty or distinguished service.
- They were announced on the eve of every Independence Day and Republic Day similar to the one given by Government of India.

#### Associated prize

- The recipient of Gallantry award received an additional Rs 1,000 per month as award money in his/her salary, while the recipients of the meritorious service received a one-time award of Rs 5,000.
- There was no ceiling on Sher-i-Kashmir Police Medals for Gallantry, but Medals for Meritorious Service was fixed at six.

#### Significance of medals

- The medals were instituted by the government to encourage J&K police personnel fighting Pakistan-sponsored terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir.
- The state government used its special status under Article 370 of the Constitution, which gave it power to have its own Constitution, Flag and Emblem.

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