

Jharkhand War Memorial gets a 108 feet Monumental Flag

*30 x 45 National Flag (Tiranga) hoisted on a 108 feet monumental flagpole
Flag Foundation of India installs 76th Monumental Flag.*

Ranchi, 9th January 2020 : Governor of Jharkhand Smt Draupadi Murmu, President, Flag Foundation of India Shri Naveen Jindal, Lt. Gen. Gyan Bhushan (retd) and Major General Sanjay Puri, VSM (GOC 23rd Infantry Division) hoisted a mammoth 30 x 45 National Flag on a 108 feet monumental flagpole at the Jharkhand War Memorial in Ranchi today.

The 108 feet monumental flag is the first Monumental flag in Jharkhand the 28th Monumental Flag installed by the Flag Foundation of India (FFOI) in Defence establishments across the country.

Addressing the august gathering Smt. Murmu said, “The national flag is a symbol of the pride and honour of our nation. Many people have laid down their lives for the honour of the Tricolour. May this flag become a source of motivation for the youth.”

Congratulating the Flag Foundation and the Cockerel Division she added, “The Jharkhand War Memorial is dedicated to all the brave sons of Jharkhand who laid down their lives for the nation. I would like to congratulate FFOI President Shri Naveen and Major General Sanjay Puri, VSM, GOC Cockerel Division on establishing this flag in their honour. This effort will be inspirational for the youth of the nation, especially the youth of Jharkhand.”

Speaking at the occasion, Shri Naveen Jindal, President, Flag Foundation of India said, “The National Flag is the solemn symbol of the nation; It enshrines the very soul of our Republic and the ideals of our Constitution. Tiranga belongs to all of us equally. When a person displays his National Flag, he rises above political, social or religious affiliations. The Tiranga unites us in diversity; it is every citizen’s pride. I urge all Indians, especially the youth of the country, to proudly display the Tiranga and show love and respect for our National Flag throughout the year”.

Major General Sanjay Puri, VSM, GOC Cockerel Division said, “This mammoth national flag will bring a new zeal and energy among the youth of Ranchi and Jharkhand and inspire them towards nation-building.”

“I would like to thank Shri Naveen Jindal, President Flag Foundation of India from the bottom of my heart for installing this priceless monumental flag in the heart of Jharkhand War Memorial. FFOI has been working towards the promotion of nationalism, patriotism and the love for the National flag for more than a decade.”

The mammoth flag weighing 18 kg is made of knitted polyester fabric called ‘Deneir Polyester’. The Chakra of the flag is printed by using specialized printing process.

The concept of the Monumental flagpoles in India was conceived by the founder of the Flag Foundation, Shri Naveen Jindal in 2009 and the first monumental flagpole measuring 207 feet in height was installed at Kaithal, Haryana followed by commissioning in other cities such as Delhi, IMA Dehradun, National Defence Academy, Kargil war Memorial, Pune, Jaipur etc. The hoisting of monumental flags is part of Flag Foundation of India’s sustained endeavour to inspire young Indians to take pride in displaying the National Flag and instil a sense of patriotism among the citizens.

The Flag Foundation of India was set up by Mr Naveen Jindal and Mrs Shallu Jindal soon after the Supreme Court verdict of 23rd January 2004 that allowed private citizens to display the Tiranga on all days of the year. Prior to this citizens were not allowed to display it except on select occasions like Independence Day and Republic Day. It was Shri Naveen Jindal’s decade long, relentless legal struggle that led to the Hon’ble Supreme Court declaring that the right to fly the National Flag freely with respect and dignity is a fundamental right of an Indian citizen within the meaning of Article 19(1) (a) of the Constitution of India.

FFOI has so far installed 76 monumental flagpoles across the length and breadth of the country, which is the highest number in the world for a country.

The monumental flags are not lowered at the sunset and are adequately illuminated during the night. This was introduced after a policy decision by the Ministry of Home Affairs on 23rd December 2009, which allowed the National Flag to fly day and night on mammoth sized National Flags.