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NIA celebrates its 9th Foundation Day

On 24.01.2018, NIA celebrated its 9th Foundation Day. Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India graced the occasion as Chief Guest and delivered the 4th R.V. Raju Memorial Lecture on the topic "National Security Challenges in 21st Century" at Dr. D.S. Kothari Auditorium, DRDO Bhawan, New Delhi. On this occasion, Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Home Minister was also present as the Guest of Honour.

2. Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu in his lecture highlighted the major threats to the global peace and security in general and India in particular. He enumerated a number of measures which can be adopted to effectively meet the challenges to our national security in the 21st century. Shri Rajnath Singh in his brief address expounded the firm commitment of the government to fight terrorism and extremism in all its facets. While applauding the role of NIA in providing an effective response to terrorism, he assured that the Agency will be provided necessary wherewithal for fulfilling its mandate.

3. NIA came in existence in January 2009, in the aftermath of the Mumbai terror attack in Nov. 2008. In the last 9 years, a total of 185 cases have been taken up by the NIA for investigation. Out of these 185 cases, 64 cases pertain to 'jehadi' terrorism, 26 terrorist acts by North East insurgents, 42 cases of terror financing and fake currency, 15 cases involving Left Wing Extremism while the remaining 38 cases relate to other miscellaneous terrorist acts/gangs. These cases cover the entire spectrum of terrorism related challenges which India faces, and have involved investigative efforts in 28 States and Union Territories. At present, out of total 185 cases, charge sheets have been filed in 148 cases; of these, in 37 cases, the trial has concluded and judgements have been pronounced, whereby convictions have been secured in 35 cases.

4. The most important achievement of the NIA has been the high measure of public confidence and credibility that the organization has been able to earn due to the professional investigations it has conducted. Several cases involving complex and high-profile terrorist attacks including, among others,

the Delhi High Court blast (September 2011), Hyderabad twin blasts (February 2013), Bodh Gaya blast (July 2013), Patna blasts (October 2013), Burdwan blast case (October 2014), Pathankot terror attack case (January 2016), Delhi ISIS case (January 2016) and J & K terror funding case (June 2017) have been successfully investigated by the NIA and have been put up for judicial determination in the concerned courts.

5. The NIA Day function was attended by senior officers of the Govt. of India, CPOs and CAPFs.

