CAMERA : V.PARKASH

STORY : ROYAL GURKHA REGIMENT CELEBRATES CENTENARY

LOCATION : DEHRA DUN DATE OF EVENT : 22nd -23rd

MAY 58

PLUS X DAYLIGHT

TO MARK 100 YEARS OF SERVICE FULL OF HEROIC FIGHTS, GALLANTRY AND DEVOTION. THE GURKHA REGIMENT WHICH WAS RAISED ON 22nd MAY 1858 . WAS CELEBRATING ITS WELL DESERVED CENTENARY. AT DEHRA DUN. (INDIA). IT WAS LORD KITCHNER WHO WAS THEN THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF INDIA WHO GAVE THE NAME TO THE REGIMENT. 5th GURKHA REGIMENT IS THE MOST DECORATED AMONG INDIAN REGIMENTS AND COMMONWEALTH ARMIES HOLDING LARGEST NUMBER OF VICTORIA CROSSES. 3 VICTORIA CROSSES WERE WON BEWTWEEN 1878 and 1891 AND 4 WERE WON BEWTEEN 1943 and 1944. WHO SERVED THE REGIMENT FOR NEARLY 42 YEARS & A TOTAL XBRIGADIER T.R. HARRISON/, FORMER COMMANDENT OF THE 5TH ROYAL GURKHA REGIMENT HAD SPECIALLY COME TO INDIA TO REPRESENT 5TH ROYAL GURKHA REIFLE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION OF UK AND AT THE END OF THE CENTENARY PARADE, HE PRESENTED A 1,000 TX POUND SILVER CUP TO THE FIRST INDIAN COLNEL OF THE REGIMENT MAJ.GEN. CHOPRA. EARLIER MAG GEN. CHOPRA HAD PRESENTED A BIG SILVER TROPHY -A SILVER KHUKRI, THE SIGN OF GURKHAS - TO BRIG. HARRSON. SINCE GURKHAS COME FROM NEPAL, THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF NEPAL TORAN SHAMSHER JANG BAHADUR RANA - WAS PRESENT TO WITNESS THE CENTENARY PARADE. SEVERAL NEPALIS (GURKHAS) WITH THEIR FAMILES HAD TRACKED LONG MILES TO BE PRESENT ON THIS CELEBRATIONS. ONE 87 YEAR OLD SOLDIER WHO HAD SEVERAL OLD MEDALS HAD TRAVELLED FOR 7 DAYS TO REACH THE INDIAN BORDER FROM WHERE HE CAME TO DEHRA DUN. THE IMPRESSIVE PARADE WHICH WAS LINED UP WITH SEVERAL WINNERS OF THE XEA VICTORIA CROSSES WAS INSPECTED BY MAJ.GEN.CHOPRA AND BRIGADIER HARRISON.

AFTER THE MARCH PAST BY THE GURKHA SOLDIERS, BRIG. HARRISON
PRESENTED THE TROPHY ON BEHALF OF THE 5th GURKHA ROYAL REGIMENTAL
ASSOCIATION OF UK. ERIGADIER HARRISON PAID TRIBUTES TO THE REGIMENT
FOR ITS UNPARALLELED ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE CENTENARY OF ITS
EXISTANCE. BRIGADIER HARRISON SPOKE IN FLUENT 'GURKHALI'
IN THE EVENING BEATING OF THE RETREAT BY THE GURKHA BANDS MARKED
THE END OF THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

ROLL. I.

WITH JAMADAR AGANSINGH ERRMEDXENXTHEXRIENT WINNER OF VC, ON THE RIGHT OF THE CAMERA FRAME SHOT OF MAJ.GEN.CHOPRA (Ist Indian Colnel of the Regiment) AND BRIGADIER HARRISON REPRESENTING THE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UK, INSPECTING THE PARADE. VARIOUS SHOTS OF THE INSPECTION.

SEVERAL SHOTS OF LINED UP GURKHA SOLDIERS AND SHOTS OF INSPECTION.

BCU OF SUBEDAR GAJE GHALE WHO WAS AWARDED VICTORIA CROSS IN 1943

FEW MORE SHOTS OF INSPECTION BY MAJ.GEN. CHPRA AND BRIG. HARRISON.

VARIOUS SHOTS OF GURKHA WOMEN AND CHILDREN WATCHING THE PARADE. FEW MORE SHOTS OF GURKHAS AND OTHERS WITNESSING THE PARADE.

YOUNG AND OLD WERE PRESENT TO WITNESS THE CENTENARY PARADE AND SOME OF THESE GURKHA MEN AND WOMEN HAD WALKED SEVERAL DAYS TO REACH THE INDIAN BORDER TO ENTRAIN FOR DEHRA BUN.

CLOSE UP OF BRIG. HARRISON WITNESSING THE MARCH PAST.

SHOT OF (CU) NEPALESE COMMANDER IN CHIEF - GENERAL TORAN SHAMSHER JANG BAHADUR RANA - WHO HAD COME TO DEHRA DUN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS OF THE 5th GURKHA REGIMENT.

VARIOUS SHOTS OF THE MARCH PAST BY THE GALLANT GURKHAS. SEVERAL SHOTS AS THEY MOVED IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA.

(JEMADAR SETE NEPALI)
SHOT OF THE NEXXX GURKHA BAND MASTER/CONDUCTING. SHOTS OF GURKHA
BAND PLAYING 'MAUREEN' AT THE TIME OF MARCH PAST.

INBETWEEN THERE WAS A SHOT OF MAJ GENL. CHEPRA (WITH BEARD AND TURBAN) TAKING THE SALUTE.

ROLL. 2.

FEW MORE SHOTS OF THE GURKHAS ON THE MARCH.
SHOT AS THE GURKHAS ADVANVE IN RIVIEW ORDER.
SHOT OF MAJ.GEN. CHOPRA, THE FIRST INDIAN COLNEL OF THE REGIMENT

PRESENTING A SILVER KHUKRI (SIGN OF GURKHAS) TO BRIG. HARRISON WHO HAD COME TO INDIA TO REPRESENT THE ROYAL GURKHA REMINENTA REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UK.

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SOON AFTER RECEIVING THE PRESENT, BRIGADIER HARRISON PRESENTED A THOUSAND POUND SILVER CUP TO MAJ. CHENL. CHPORA AS A GIFTE TO THE 5th GURKHA REGIMENT ON BEHALF OF THE ROYAL GURKHA REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

CLOSE UP OF BRIGADIER HARRISON HOLDING THE SILVER TROPHY WHICH WAS PRESENTED TO HIM BY THE GURKHA REGIMENT.

SHOT OF BRIGADIER HARRISON SPEAKING TO SOME OLD FRIENDS. HE SPOKE FLUENT GURKHALI THE LANGUAGE OF THE GURKHAS.

SHOT OF AN ENGLISH OFFICER WHO HAD COME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS, MAKING A MOVIE SHOT OF THE CELEBRATIONS.

SHOT OF 87 YEAR OLD EK 'BIRAJ GURU' (name of the person) ONE OF THE OLDEST PENSIONERS WHO HAD COME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CENTENARY CELEBRATION. BIRAJ GURU HAD TO WALK FOR SEVEN DAYS TO REACH THE INDIAN BORDER NEAR NEPAL. SHOT OF VARIOUS MEDALS WHICH HAD FIGURES OF QUEEN VICTORIA, EDWARD THE VII AND GEORGE THE V ... pan up.... BCU OF BIRAJ GURU THE OLDEST GURKHA PENSIONER.

VARIOUS SHOTS OF BEATING THE RETREAT WHICH MARKED THE END OF THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS. SHOTS OF GURKHA BANDS MARCHING PAST.

FEW MORE SHOTS OF THE GURKHA BANDS PASSING IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA.

SHOT OF GURKHA BAG PIPERS WITH SIGNS OF '5th GURKHA' MOVING IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA.

SHOT OF THE GURKHA BUGLERS BLOWING THE BUGLES TO MARK THE END OF THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS.

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