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1 About this career

A CRPF (Central Reserve Police Force) officer serves in India's largest central armed police force. They lead internal security, law and order, riot and crowd control, anti-insurgency operations and disaster relief. Entry ranges from Constable to Assistant Commandant (officer), each via its own route.

2 At a glance

Domain	Defence / Internal Security
Minimum qualification	Constable: Class 10; Officer: Graduate
Selection exam	UPSC CAPF (AC), SSC GD
Starting salary	₹56,100/mo (Assistant Commandant)

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Helping people and serving the nation
- Discipline, uniform and teamwork
- Active, outdoor and field-based work

ABILITIES

- Physical fitness and stamina
- Leadership and following clear orders
- Calm decision-making under pressure

KEY SKILLS

- Physical fitness and combat skills
- Crowd and riot control
- Quick decision-making in a crisis
- Discipline and mental toughness
- Weapon handling and safety procedures
- Leadership and team management
- Map reading and field navigation

4 How to get there

- 1 For Constable (GD), pass Class 10 and take the SSC GD Constable exam.
- 2 For officer (Assistant Commandant), complete a graduate degree in any stream.
- 3 After graduation, take the UPSC CAPF (Assistant Commandant) exam.
- 4 Clear the written exam, physical test (PET/PST), interview and medical examination.
- 5 After selection, complete training at the CRPF Academy.
- 6 Technical roles may also be filled through relevant ITI/diploma qualifications.

MAIN EXAMS

- UPSC CAPF (Assistant Commandant) — officer-level recruitment
- SSC GD Constable — constable-level recruitment

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- किसी भी यू.जी.सी.-मान्यता प्राप्त विश्वविद्यालय अथवा महाविद्यालय से स्नातक — The CAPF Assistant Commandant examination is at graduate level — the degree may be from any recognised institution; no particular college is required.

ONLINE

- स्वयं (SWAYAM) — भारत सरकार के निःशुल्क ऑनलाइन कोर्स — Free (<https://swayam.gov.in/>)
- राष्ट्रीय डिजिटल पुस्तकालय (NDLI) — Free books and study material (<https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/>)
- एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. — निःशुल्क पाठ्यपुस्तकें — The foundation for general knowledge, maths and science (<https://ncert.nic.in/>)

FEES

CRPF training after selection is free at government academies, with pay and allowances during training. General education up to graduation costs roughly ₹12,000–₹50,000 depending on the institute.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)
- Vidya Lakshmi (Education Loan Portal) (<https://www.vidyalakshmi.co.in>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Posted across CRPF battalions nationwide, including border and sensitive zones, Jammu & Kashmir, the Northeast and Naxal-affected areas. Specialist units include the Rapid Action Force (RAF), CoBRA and Mahila (women's) battalions.

WORK CULTURE

Work is typically 6–7 days a week, 8–9 hours a day on a shift system. Most duty is in the field under demanding conditions, and postings can be anywhere in the country.

WHO HIRES

- Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
- Commando Battalion for Resolute Action (CoBRA)
- United Nations peacekeeping missions (deputation)
- Rapid Action Force (RAF)
- Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India
- Special security and VIP protection duties

DEMAND (2026)

With around 3 lakh personnel and 240+ battalions, CRPF is India's largest central armed police force. Large annual recruitment through SSC GD and UPSC CAPF keeps demand for these secure government jobs strong. One thing to be clear about — the "demand" described above counts posts, not your chance of getting one. Selection is by open competition and the number of applicants runs to many times the number of posts, so most candidates are not selected in any given recruitment. That is not an argument against this career; it is an argument against making it your only plan. Keep studying or building a skill alongside your preparation, so that the year is not lost whichever way the result goes.

7 Career growth

- 1 Assistant Commandant
- 2 Deputy Commandant
- 3 Commandant
- 4 Deputy Inspector General (DIG)
- 5 Inspector General (IG)

6 Additional Director General (ADG)

7 Director General (DG)

EARNINGS

Starting	₹56,100 (मूल, लेवल-10)
Mid level	₹1,00,000–1,30,000/माह
Senior level	₹2,00,000+/माह

The starting figure is BASIC PAY — the entry basic at pay matrix Level 10 — so that it can be compared directly against other careers. Dearness allowance (60% of basic since 1 January 2026) and house rent allowance are added on top of it, so take-home pay is appreciably higher. The mid-level and senior figures are approximate monthly income including allowances, not basic pay. An Assistant Commandant's basic pay starts at ₹56,100 in 7th CPC Pay Level-10, plus DA, HRA, ration and other allowances. At senior ranks (IG/DG) pay exceeds ₹2,00,000/month. Figures are indicative. The figures above rest on the 7th Central Pay Commission matrix, which is what applies as of 16 August 2026. The Union Cabinet approved the Terms of Reference of the 8th Central Pay Commission on 28 October 2025, and it must report within 18 months of its constitution. It has not reported yet, so no revised pay scale exists — but these figures will change. Dearness allowance has been 60% of basic pay since 1 January 2026.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Secure government job, pension and prestige
- Opportunity to serve the nation and lead
- Good pay, allowances and medical benefits

The challenges

- Tough and risky field conditions
- Frequent transfers away from family
- Long hours and physical strain

9 Real-life journeys

Annie Abraham

Inspector General (IG), Rapid Action Force, CRPF

Annie Abraham, who joined CRPF in the first batch of women officers in 1987, became the first woman cadre officer to be appointed Inspector General of the Rapid Action Force (RAF). She commanded an all-women Indian police contingent at the UN and earned honours including the President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service.

Business Standard · https://www.business-standard.com/article/current-affairs/in-a-first-crpf-appoints-2-women-cadre-officers-as-ig-of-raf-bihar-sector-122110201452_1.html

Seema Dhundia**Inspector General (IG), CRPF**

Seema Dhundia commanded the first-ever all-women contingent in the history of UN peacekeeping, deployed to Liberia in 2007. The senior CRPF officer set a benchmark for women peacekeepers and rose to the rank of Inspector General (IG).

UN Women · <https://asiapacific.unwomen.org/en/news-and-events/stories/2013/9/lessons-on-women-peacekeepers-interview-with-deputy-inspector-general>

Chetan Cheetah**CRPF Commandant, Kirti Chakra awardee**

Born in Kota, Rajasthan, Chetan Cheetah was Commandant of the CRPF's 45th Battalion. On 14 February 2017, during an encounter with militants in Bandipora, Kashmir, he was hit by nine bullets, lost an eye and slipped into a long coma. Through months of treatment at AIIMS and sheer willpower he defeated death, recovered and returned to active duty. He was honoured with the Kirti Chakra for his gallantry. His journey from an ordinary background shows students that courage and devotion to the nation can overcome any hardship.

DNA India · <https://www.dnaindia.com/india/report-always-good-to-recognise-a-soldiers-work-chetan-cheetah-on-receiving-kirti-chakra-2532446>

10 If this route does not work out

One exam or one attempt does not close the door. The same subjects also open these routes — entry is usually easier, and you can return to this field later.

- BSF Officer (Border Security Force)
- CISF Officer
- Agniveer

11 Sources & further reading

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