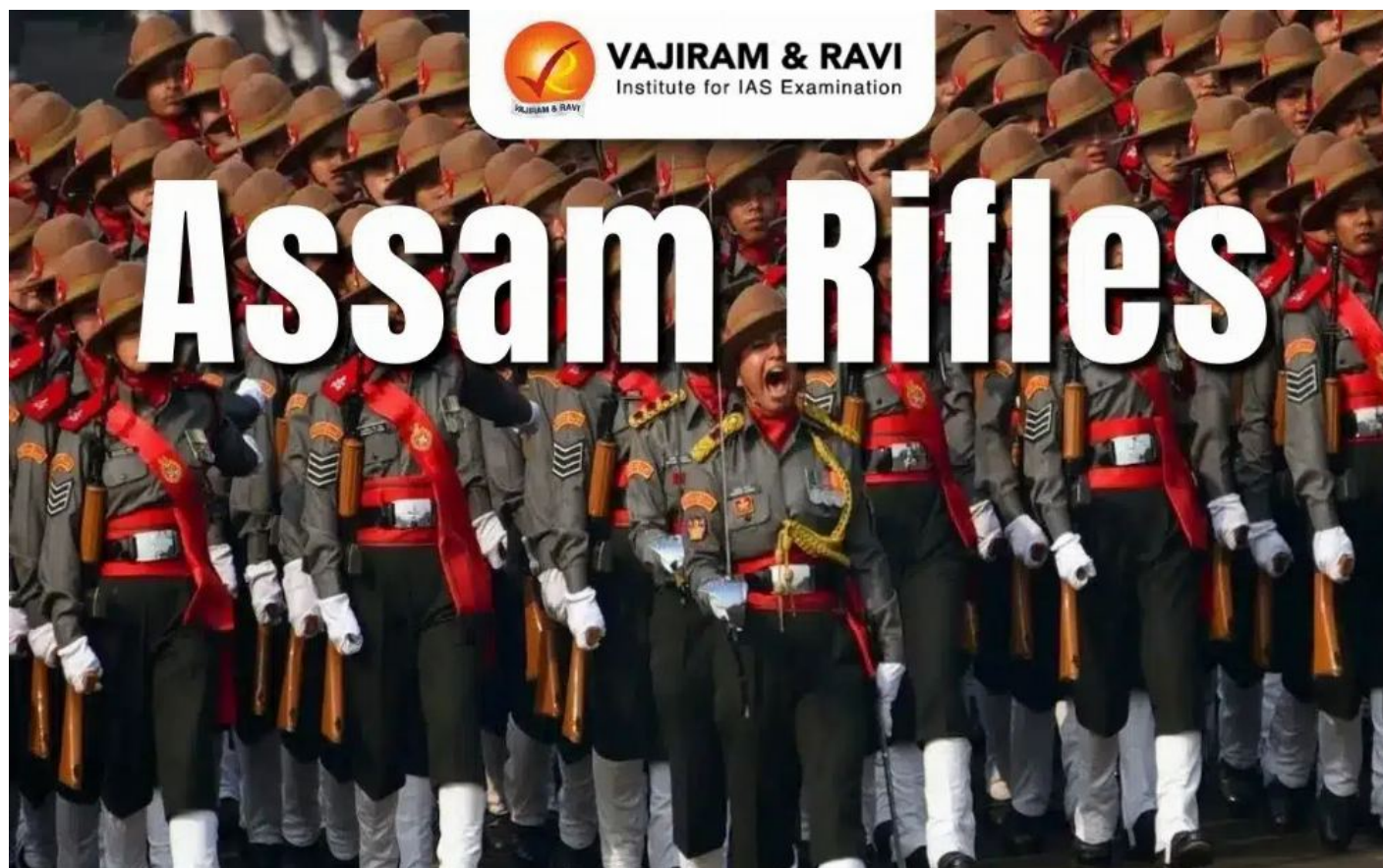


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Assam Rifles Latest News

Recently, the Union Home Minister has extended Raising Day greetings to the courageous personnel of the Assam Rifles.

About Assam Rifles

- It is one of the **six Central Armed Police Forces** (CAPFs) that come under the MHA's administrative control.
- **Function:** It conducts **counterinsurgency operations** in north-eastern India and other areas where deemed necessary.
- **Headquarter:** The headquarters of the Director-General of Assam Rifles (DGAR) is **in Shillong**

Assam Rifles History and Major Roles Played

- Assam Rifles **has its origins in 1835** as a militia **called the 'Cachar Levy'** to protect British tea estates and their settlements against tribal raids.
- It later **became the 'Frontier Force'** conducting punitive expeditions across the borders of Assam.
- In 1870, the existing elements were merged into three Assam Military Police Battalions, sending over 3,000 men as part of the British Army to Europe and West Asia.
- In 1917, the name was changed to Assam Rifles.
- The force has evolved post-Independence, from combat roles during the Sino-India War 1962 to being a part of the Indian Peace Keeping Force (IPKF) in Sri Lanka in 1987, besides performing peacekeeping roles in north-eastern India.

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