SHAURYA CHAKRA SHRI BILAL AHMAD MAGRAY, SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER, J&K POLICE (POSTHUMOUS)

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On 20-08-2019, based on a special input regarding presence of terrorists in the house of Nazir Ahmad Dar, S/o Ghulam Nabi Dar, r/o Ganie Hamam Old Town Baramulla, a joint CASO was launched. Shri Bilal Ahmad Magray volunteered himself to the room intervention operational party and thereby to evacuate the entrapped civilians from the target house and to neutralize the terrorist. When SPO Bilal Ahamd was evacuating the civilians, the hiding terrorist lobbed a number of hand grenades and fired indiscriminately upon him and his operational colleagues, resulting serious injuries to him and party commander SI Shri Amar Deep and also one civilian namely Sonu Lal. Through being seriously injured sensing the danger to the civilians inside the target house, he showed indomitable courage and evacuated the injured civilian and other civilians outside the target house ensuring no further collateral damage. With utter disregard to personal safety, the buddy pair i.e. SI Amardeep and SPO Bilal Ahmad reentered the house and held their position and engaged terrorist thereby denying any safe passage to them to break the cordon and also fired at the terrorists and incapacitated him till the time they exhausted with available ammunition and the duo losing consciousness due to excessive bleeding. He fought till he lost his consciousness and attained martyrdom.

His valiant action has ultimately led to neutralization of one terrorist namely Momin Rasool Gojri, who remained chronic stone pelter during 2010, 2014 and 2016 unrest and later on joined prescribed JeM outfit on 31-07-2019.

In view of the above, Shri Bilal Ahmad Magray is awarded **Shaurya Chakra (Posthumously)**.