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The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has recently withdrawn the CoBRA force from Jammu and Kashmir.



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About the CoBRA Force (Combat Battalion for Resolute Action):

- The CoBRA force is an **elite** unit of the Central Reserve Police Force (**CRPF**) that was formed specifically to counter the **Maoist insurgency** in India.
 - CRPF functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- It was established in 2008 under the command and control of the CRPF.
- The force is trained in **Maoist intelligence techniques** and **strategy**.
- It is headquartered in the National Capital Region.
- It has **battalion headquarters** in every **Naxalite-hit state**, including Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Andhra Pradesh, and Maharashtra.
- It was initially raised to counter the **Naxal insurgents** in the **Red Corridor**.
 - The red corridor or the red zone, is the region in the eastern, central and the southern parts of India where the Naxalite-Maoist insurgency has the strongest presence.
- Their **training regime** and **duration** is along the lines of other commando forces of the country such as the **National Security Guard**.
- It is proficient in guerrilla tactics and jungle warfare.
- It is considered to be one of the most experienced and successful law enforcement units in the country.

Other key facts:

- The <u>Greyhounds</u> is a police special forces that fights against **Maoism** in **Andhra Pradesh** and **Telangana Police departments** in India.
- The Greyhounds were established in 1989.