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## **LESSER KNOWN PEOPLE OF INDIA - PART 3**

A long **That u must read** 

How many of u know this man?

**Commandant Alok Awasthy of NDRF** 

I bet less than 1% of those reading know.

Remember the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Disaster at Japan in 2011.

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Three disasters namely Earthquake, Tsunami and Radiation leak left Japan paralyzed completely.

Due to inexpertise and the high risk involved because of radiation,

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only 23 countries in the world out of 194 came forward to help by sending relief personnel to Japan and India was one among the 23.

India prepared a team of 46 men from the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) led by Commandant Alok Awasthy.

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On 26 March 2011,NDRF was airlifted and deployed at Miyagi prefecture, the worst hit of all the regions. Miyagi was totally devastated and was full of debris.

The NDRF carried 8800 kg of luggage that included food and water as nothing was available there.

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They used to dig up debris with their BARE HANDS that too in bone chilling -2°C out of respect for the dead as Japanese local traditions didn't believe in mutilation/disfigurement of dead bodies.

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The NDRF stayed in temporary camps for 10 days without bathing as they couldn't remove the radiation suit. They only survived on the rations and water they brought and ate once a day. Earthquakes of lesser magnitude kept occurring frequently.

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A total of 07 bodies, 4 crores(INR equivalent) cash among all other items were recovered.

The people and mayor of Miyagi appreciated NDRF for willing to comply with the local traditions while digging up debris.

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They were given National Recognition in Japan and felicitated by their PM.

It was a huge task to keep the troops motivated as everyone carried a radiation detection device and it remained in 'high' always- Comdt. Alok Awasthy.

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The Japanese emperor chose India out of three dozen countries for their visit in 2013 because of India's response during the disaster.

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Comdt. Alok Awasthy was declared National Guest of Japan and his name is included for functions organized whenever dignitaries from Japan visit India.

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The team of 46 didn't get the deserved recognition in India as it did in Japan.

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For reference this is the link: https://t.co/HXs42FTar5