

INDIAN ORDER OF MERIT.

Awarded the 2nd class of the Indian Order of Merit for gallantry and devotion to duty whilst serving with the Indian Army Corps in France and Flanders:—

No. 2266 Sowar (A-L-Dafadar) Udey Singh, 2nd Lancers.

Jemadar Zari Gul Khan, Cavalry.

No. 2923 Dafadar Nihal Singh, 33rd Cavalry.

No. 3192 L-Dafadar Mutthra Singh, 21st Cavalry.

Jemadar Abdul Rahim Khan, 29th Lancers

No. 2581 Sowar Indar Singh, 29th Lancers.

No. 3636 Dafadar Harditt Singh, 36th Jacob's Horse.

No. 1392 Sowar Julab Singh, Jodhpur Imperial Service Lancers.

Subadar Attar Khan, 33rd Punjabis.

(219 of 1917).

Awarded the 2nd Class of the Order for gallantry in the field:—

No. 1822 Sepoy Gulam Hussian, Pioneers, for conspicuous gallantry in charging the enemy single-handed.

No. 2796 Sepoy Kurban, 106th Pioneers, for conspicuous gallantry when surprised by three of the enemy in low jungle. Although severely wounded he killed two of them and put the third to flight.

No. 1120 Sowar Ibrahim, Lancers, Gwalior Imperial Service Troops, for conspicuous gallantry in standing by a wounded British officer.

(236 of 1917).

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No. 2966 Lance-Naik Mahdu Dalvi, 109th Indian Infantry, for conspicuous gallantry in the field. When one of the units had run short of ammunition, he made four journeys from the ammunition mules in the scrub-

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about 100 yards in rear of the firing line, across open ground under heavy fire, each time carrying a box of ammunition on his shoulder and distributing the ammunition.

(319 of 1917).

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Faridkot Imperial Sappers and Miners.

Subadar Major and Honorary Captain Nand Sing, Sardar Bahadur (retired).

Indian Subordinate Medical Department.

No. 1111 1st Class Sub Assistant Surgeon Hukam Singh (attached King's African Rifles).

No. 1247 2nd Class Sub Assistant Surgeon Mula Sing.

(381 of 1917).

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841 Hav. Atta Ullah, Kashmir Rif. 21st Nov. 1916.

Subadar Bhagwan Singh, Jind I-S. Infy. 21st November 1916

Jemadar Bishen Singh, 19th Lrs., Ind. Army, Attd Mach. Gun Sqdn. 18th Jan. 1917.

Subadar Chanda, 21st Kohat Mtn. Bty. 2nd Jan. 1917.

Sub Asst. Surg. Daulat Singh, Ind. Sub. Med. Dept. 2nd Jan. 1917.

1267 Hav. Khoda Bakhsh, 55th Coke's Rifles. 21st Nov. 1916.

704 Gur. Hav. Bhan Singh, 27th Mtn. Bty. 21st Nov. 1916.

2775 Gur. Naik Bir Singh, 26th Jacob's Mtn. Bty. 2nd Jan. 1917.

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1151 L-Naik Devi Singh, Kashmir Rif. 21st November 1916.

3004 Actg. L-Dafadar Dharam Singh, 14th Jat Lrs., Ind. Army, Attd. Mach. Gun. Sqdn. 29th Dec. 1916.

1157 Sepoy Hafiz Ali, Kashmir Rif. 21st Nov. 1916.

2786 Dafadar Hajee Ahmed, 36th Jacob's Hosre, Ind. Army, Attd. Mach. Gun. Sqdn. 29th Dec. 1916.

1125 Dvr. Hav. Indar Singh, 26th Jacob's Mtn. Bty. 2nd Jan. 1917.

129 L-Hav. Man Bir, Kashmir Rif. (I. S. Troops) 27th Oct. 1916.

Jemadar Muhammad Bakhsh, 26th Jacob's Mtn. Bty. 2nd Jan. 1917.

1467 Sepoy Rahim Ali, Kashmir Rif. 21st Nov. 1916

831 L-Naik Saif Ali, Burma Mil. Police, Attd. Rif. 10th Aug. 1916.

Subadar Sher Baz, 27th Mtn. Bty. 21st November 1916.

664 Havildar Budhiman Limbie, 2-7th Gurkha Rif. 26th Dec. 1916.

(676 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class of the Order for acts of gallantry and devotion to duty:—

No. 845 Sepoy Bawa Singh, *21st Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry and initiative. When his company had occupied a captured trench, ammunition ran short, and more was urgently required to repel a counter-attack which had been commenced. On hearing this he voluntarily left the trench and collected ammunition from the dead and wounded who were lying in the open. This was carried out under heavy shell and machine fire.

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Subadar Jan Gul, *26th Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry and courageous example in leading his men across the open up to 300 yards from the enemy's position and in maintaining them there for three hours under very heavy fire. Dated 27th September 1916:

No. 759 Naik Ghulam Khan, *26th Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry in action. While a block was being constructed in a communication trench he maintained a position in front of the block with two other bombers and kept back the enemy who were trying to work down the trench. When badly wounded in the arm and unable to throw bombs himself, he continued to command the party and pass bombs to the remaining two men.

Jemadar Pala, *27th Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry and coolness when taking part in a raid on the enemy's position. He was the only Indian officer to reach the enemy's bank and it was largely due to his prompt action and initiative, in the face of heavy rifle and machine gun fire, and in spite of prearranged plans being upset, that the left flank was at once secured, much damage inflicted on the enemy and the raid carried out with a minimum loss. He set a fine example throughout.

No. 3539 Naik Kartar Singh, *36th Sikhs*, for conspicuous gallantry and initiative in action. He commanded a Lewis gun team' and on seeing that the team of another Lewis gun had all been either killed or wounded he took over the other gun and worked them both until forced to withdraw, when he brought both guns back. He shewed great coolness and ability.

No. 4799 Naik Punna Khan, *40th Pathans Indian Infantry*, for conspicuous gallantry in action on the 27th September 1916. He maintained his machine

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gun for three hours under heavy frontal machine gun and rifle fire 300 yards from the enemy's position. During this time the enemy brought up another machine gun on his right flank in order to enfilade our line, but Naik Punna Khan silenced this machine gun every time it opened fire until he was wounded.

No. 525 Lance-Naik Channan Singh, *45th Sikhs*, for conspicuous gallantry and resource in action. During an enemy counter-attack, two men firing a Lewis gun in an exposed position were killed. This young non-commissioned officer rushed forward for 30 yards over the open under a hot fire, seized the Lewis gun, brought in into line with his own gun, and continued to fire it. But for his action the gun would certainly have been lost.

No. 1618 Havildar Muhammed Khan, *62nd Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry and coolness in volunteering to carry a supply of bombs across the open to the firing line under heavy shell and rifle fire. He delivered his own bag of bombs, went back and brought up a second bag belonging to another of the party who had been killed.

No. 2565 Lance-Naik Nawab *82nd Punjabis*, for conspicuous gallantry and ability. In the traverse he occupied both his British officers were killed and four Lewis gunners were casualties. He himself was hit three times through the clothing, yet he stuck to his gun and kept the enemy's fire down by bursts of fire as each reinforcement started from the rear trenches. His gun jammed constantly, yet he coolly adjusted it. He never wasted ammunition, and was always to be relied on in emergency. This young soldier was a fine example of cool pluck and daring to all around him.

Jemadar Ganga Ram, *102nd Grenadiers*, for conspicuous gallantry in action. During the final attack

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on a redoubt he showed marked coolness and contempt for danger, leading his men with great dash. He afterwards took a most prominent part in constructing a block in a communication trench towards the enemy under heavy rifle and machine gun fire. He acted with gallantry on a previous occasion.

No. 659. Sepoy Mansabdar, *129th Baluchis*, for conspicuous gallantry in action on the 7th December 1916. He was continuously with his guns which were situated in the open under heavy shell and machine gun fire. He kept down the fire of two hostile guns and stopped their being employed against a redoubt.

He has since died of wounds. His widow was admitted to the pension of the Order with effect from the date of his death.

Jemadar Dhaubir Sonwar, *1-2nd Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry and determination in action. He was in command of a platoon which took the enemy's trenches in flank, he being the first man to enter them. He then constructed a block, and although this was twice blown to pieces, causing heavy casualties among his men, he urged them on to build it a third time, which they succeeded in doing, thus saving the situation. He was afterwards severely wounded in the arm.

No. 4991 Rifleman Padam Singh Thapa, *1-2nd Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When engaged in bombing up and blocking the main enemy communication trench, several of the leading men were killed by shell fire, and he himself was severely wounded. He, however, pushed on with the greatest determination and, though alone, succeeded in driving back the advancing enemy until he fell again severely wounded by an enemy bomb. His gallant conduct enabled the men behind to complete

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the forward end of the block before the enemy could reach it.

No. 664 Havildar Budhiman Limbu, *2-7th Gurkha Rifles*, for conspicuous gallantry on the night of the 16th December 1916, in swimming across a broad river with dangerous currents to reconnoitre the enemy's position. He carried out his task successfully and brought back valuable information.

No. 2238 Sepoy Satta Singh, Jind Imperial Service Infantry, for conspicuous gallantry in action on the 9th October 1916. He proceeded forward under a hot fire along a communication trench and removed a number of deal bodies which were impeding the advance.

He has since died of wounds. His widow was admitted to the pension of the Order with effect from the date of his death.

Subadar Chandri Chand, *Burma Military Police*, for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. When advancing to the attack under heavy rifle and machine gun fire, and on seeing that both British officers were casualties, he ran forward and assumed command, waving an artillery flag and leading the men forward with the utmost resolution. Later when wounded he showed a fine example of pluck and cheerfulness.
(868 of 1917).

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Jemadar Allah Ditta, 30th Punjabis.

2095 Havildar Buta Khan, 54th Sikhs.

2569 Havildar Channan Shah, 93rd Burma Infy.

Subadar Chimaji Garud, 105th Mahratta L. I.

4291 L.-Naik Fazal Ilahi, 130th Baluchis.

4071 Havildar Ghulam Muhammad 127th Baluchis.

Subadar Karam Dad, 93rd Burma Infy.

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820 Pte. Karam Ilahi, 130th Baluchis.
2549 Sepoy Khan Singh, Burma Military Police,
attd. Seinde Rif.

Jemadar Malik Aman, 130th Baluchis.

436 Sepoy Mirjan, 129th Baluchis.

3151 Havildar Mirza Khan, 129th Baluchis.

Subadar Muhammad Afzal, 124th Baluchistan
Infantry.

2767 Havildar Sarfaraz, 127th Baluch Light Infy.
(894 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class of the Order.

No. 764 Naik Sawan Singh, 1st S & M } *Sappers*

No. 785 Naik Bhullan Khan, 1st S & M } *and*

Miners, for conspicuous gallantry and coolness on the night of the 4th April 1916, when in charge of parties joining up a gap of 350 yards in the front line. These non-commissioned officers freely exposed themselves under heavy rifle and machine gun fire and cleared casualties. It was mainly due to their action that the line was successfully consolidated. They had previously rendered very good service by the energy with which they pushed forward saps against the enemy's positions.

(945 of 1917).

Promoted to the 1st Class of the Order.

No. 2103 Havildar Bir Singh, I.O.M., *35th Sikhs*, for conspicuous gallantry and skill on the 15th April 1916, when in command of a picquet of 14 rifles he organised and led an attack on a hostile picquet over 200 yards of open ground in broad daylight. The attack was made by a rush over the open to combing distance whence bombs were thrown until the enemy surrendered. This non-commissioned officer led the charge himself and threw the first bomb. The enemy

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picquet consisted of 1 officer and 21 other ranks of which the officer and 17 other ranks were captured, 2 were killed and 2 escaped. The attack was made under flanking fire from the remainder of the enemy's picquet.

(945 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class Military Division of the Indian Order of Merit.

Subadar Turra Baz, Southern Waziristan Militia.

This officer showed great personal gallantry on the 9th April 1917 in an encounter with a gang of Mahsuds. By his promptitude in taking up a position at the commencement of the action and by his bravery in maintaining his position under heavy fire at close range, although he had lost one-third of his party killed and wounded, Subadar Turra Baz enabled a picquet which had been attacked to retire to a position of comparative safety.

(946 of 1917).

Awarded the Indian Order of Merit, 2nd Class for gallantry and devotion to duty in the field.

2782 Dafadar Amir Muhammad 11th Lrs., I.A., attd. Hodson's Horse.

2764 Dafadar Hakim Singh, 9th Hodson's Horse, I.A.

1995 Lance-Dafadar Mobara Khan, 18th Lrs., I.A.

2967 Dafadar Sarfaraz Khan, 10th Lrs., I.A. attd. Hodson's Horse.

(972 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class of the Order.

No. 3291 Naik Malik Khan, 104th Rifles, for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in action on 21st April 1917. He commanded a Lewis gun section and when within 500 yards of the enemy's

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line, and his whole section except himself and two ammunition carriers had been killed or wounded, he himself brought up a Lewis gun under very heavy fire and brought it into action on the enemy, who were collecting for a counter-attack. Naik Malik Khan was killed in this action. His widow, was admitted to the pension of the Order with effect from the date of his death.

(988 of 1917).

Awarded the Indian Order of Merit, 1st Class for gallantry and distinguished service in the field.

Jemadar Ayub Khan, I.O.M., 124th Baluchistan Infantry.

Awarded the Indian Order of Merit, 2nd Class.

Lrs., I.A., attd. M.G. Sqn.

3483 A-Lance Dafadar Mahomad Hayat, 19th Lancers.

3600 Sowar Alla Ditta, 19th Lancers.

Cavalry.

3107 Sowar Chandan Singh, 14th Lancers.

27th Mountain Bty. I.A.

1041 L-Naik Natha Singh.

Infantry.

4469 L-Naik Guljam Khan, 124th Infantry.

4565 Sepoy Abdulla Khan, 127th Infantry.

Infantry.

Subadar Sarbuland, 127th Infantry.

Infantry.

Subadar Abdulla Khan, 124th Infantry.

66 Havildar Jabar Khan, 127th Infantry.

Infantry.

Capt. Niamat Ali Khan, Jind Imperial Service Infantry.

2343 Naik Kehar Singh, 53rd Sikhs.

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Medical Service.

8963 Mangaranga, Army Bearer Corps.

8595 Ram Din, Army Bearer Corps.

Indian Sub-Med. Dept.

1359 Sub-Asst. Surg., 1st Class Tanjore Ramasami Govindasami Pillai.

914 Sub-Asst. Surg., 2nd Class Arjandas Gosain, attd. Pathans.

(1151 of 1917).

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Admission to the 2nd Class of the Order for acts of gallantry and devotion to duty.

(a) No. 776 Rifleman Mandhoj Thapa,
1-4th Gurkha Rifles

For most conspicuous courage and devotion to duty on the 10th May 1917. Though wounded himself he carried a wounded British Officer out of action until the latter was shot dead. Rifleman Mandhoj Thapa engaged the enemy at close quarters and finally escaped.

(b) No. 1634 Naik Shiu Parshad Singh,
11th Rajputs.

For conspicuous gallantry on the 10th May 1917. This non-commissioned officer displayed great gallantry during a retirement of the force and in an attempt to save a wounded Gurkha lost his own life. His widow was admitted to the pension of the Order, with effect from the date of his death.

(c) No. 2189 Lance Naik Ramnath Singh,
11th Rajputs.

For most conspicuous bravery on the 10th May 1917 during a retirement of the force. He was killed when going back to the assistance of wounded men

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who were in danger of falling into the hands of the enemy. His widow was admitted to the pension of the Order, with effect from the date of his death.

(1170 of 1917).

Awarded the Indian Order of Merit, 2nd Class for gallantry and devotion to duty in the field.

Jemadar Alam Sher, Khan, 128th Pioneers.

3968 Naik Chelia Perumal, 2nd Sappers & Miners.
Ressaidar (actg. Resaldar-Maj.) Hargyan Singh,
14th Lancers.

3189 Sepoy Imam Din, 51st Sikhs.

Sepoy Jaffaar Khan, 56th Rifles.

2896 Rif. Jagea Rana, 1-2nd Gurkha Rifles.

Jemadar Kishan Sing, Bohra, 2-9th Gurkha Rifles.

Subadar Musa Khan, 128th Pioneers.

Jemadar Rup Chand, 14th Lancers.

Risaldar Sadik Muhammad Khan, 36th Horse.

3641 Spr. Saiyid Abdul Wahab, 2nd Sappers &
Miners.

(1192 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class of the Order.

Subadar Tara Chand, 41st Dogras for conspicuous gallantry on the 21st January 1916, in helping a badly wounded British Officer out of action under a heavy fire.

(1302 of 1917).

Admitted to the 2nd Class of the Order.

No. 107 Havildar Ram Bharose Misr, 1st Sappers & Miners, for conspicuous gallantry and coolness on the night of the 4th April 1916, when in charge of a party joining up a gap of 350 yards in the front line. This non-commissioned Officer freely exposed himself