# REPORT ON INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE (IDP) 2025 – MALL ROAD & RIDGE, SHIMLA INTRODUCTION

The 79th Independence Day of India was celebrated with great patriotism and enthusiasm in Shimla, the state capital of Himachal Pradesh, on 15th August 2025. The main function was held at the historic Ridge Ground, where people gathered in large numbers to witness the Independence Day Parade and cultural events.

#### Chief Guest

The Deputy Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh, Shri Mukesh Agnihotri, was the Chief Guest at the function.

He hoisted the National Flag, inspected the Guard of Honour, and took the salute of the parade.

#### Parade

The grand Independence Day Parade featured contingents from:

Himachal Police

Home Guards

NCC cadets

Scouts & Guides

School children

The disciplined march-past filled the atmosphere with patriotic pride.

Cultural Programmes

Students from different schools performed patriotic songs, dances, and Himachali folk dances (like Nati).

Cultural presentations reflected the rich traditions of Himachal Pradesh and the spirit of national unity.

The Ridge and Mall Road were beautifully decorated with tricolour flags and lights.



## Public Participation

A large number of citizens, students, officials, and tourists attended the celebrations.

The festive environment on Mall Road and Ridge created an unforgettable patriotic atmosphere.

### Conclusion

The Independence Day Parade 2025 at Mall Road and Ridge, Shimla was a grand and memorable celebration. The presence of Deputy Chief Minister Shri Mukesh Agnihotri as the Chief Guest added significance to the event. The colourful parade, cultural programmes, and enthusiastic participation of the public made the celebration a true reflection of unity, freedom, and pride.

