

Military Medal

21147580 Rifleman SHERBAHADUR LIMBU, 1st Battalion, 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles.

On the 7th January 1964, Rifleman Sherbahadur Limbu was in command of a light machine gun group which came under heavy fire from four automatic weapons in the hands of a party of raiders on an island in an off-shoot of the Rajang River in Sarawak. Displaying skill and resolution he bravely exposed himself, at short range, to the full weight of the hostile fire and succeeded in bringing his gun into action in a good fire position. When Corporal Shamsherbahadur Limbu, in command of the platoon, fell badly wounded, in the foul mud and tangled mangrove roots, only thirty yards from the enemy, Sherbahadur did not hesitate in going to his assistance. Unfortunately he was himself hit, receiving a wound in the chest which caused him great pain and loss of blood. For two hours he lay in an exposed position until the enemy were over-run but, undaunted, continued to shout encouragement to his men and his wounded leader.

In this fierce action, in which casualties were suffered on both sides, Rifleman Sherbahadur Limbu showed qualities of leadership, courage and determination in the best traditions of his Regiment and the Gurkha Soldiers of Nepal.

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21149107 Rifleman RESAMBAHADUR THAPA, 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gurkha Rifles.

On 13th June 1964, Rifleman Resambahadur Thapa was a light machine gunner in an ambush position in Sarawak near the Indonesian border.

At 1810 hours the point section of a group of some 100 heavily armed Indonesians entered the ambush. Rifleman Resambahadur opened effective fire, as ordered by his platoon commander, when the enemy section had fully entered the target area. The Indonesians then took up fire positions and a fierce fire fight ensued. It was raining hard, getting dark and visibility was poor. Heavy enemy automatic and mortar fire was now being brought to bear on Rifleman Resambahadur's ambush position and the main enemy force, who had not been caught in the ambush area, were commencing a flanking counter-attack. To see properly in the fading light and determined to kill more of the enemy, Rifleman Resambahadur left his cover and, moving forward, with his gun at his hip, through the rubber trees which were being struck by burst after burst of enemy machine-gun fire, he attacked and killed a further two Indonesians who were firing at him from behind cover. Some moments later, Rifleman Resambahadur, again showing complete disregard for his own safety, left cover once more to engage the enemy now attempting to press home their counter-attack through the scrub from the left flank. From an exposed position this brave rifleman engaged all enemy movement with bursts of Bren gun fire inflicting, beyond doubt, further casualties upon them.

Throughout his platoon's battle lasting 50 minutes against a superior enemy force, Rifleman Resambahadur's gallant conduct under fire was an inspiration to the younger soldiers in his platoon. His skill at arms and accurate shooting clearly accounted for four enemy dead and, in all probability, a number of others wounded, thus contributing greatly to the successful outcome.

Mentioned-in-Despatches

Major Roy William LLOYD (397964), The Staffordshire Regiment (The Prince of Wales's).

Major James Farquhar LOGAN (335120), Queen's Own Highlanders (Seaforth and Camerons).

Major Henry Fairbridge BURROWS (363232), 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles.

Captain Michael James MONRO (445920), Queen's Own Highlanders (Seaforth and Camerons).

Captain Michael Ormond St. MARTIN (456667), 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles.

Captain (Q.G.O.) RAMPRASAD RAI (442781), 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles.

22773869 Warrant Officer Class II Charles LAWTON, Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, Royal Armoured Corps.

19032830 Staff Sergeant Jack WILMINGTON, The Queen's Royal Irish Hussars, Royal Armoured Corps.

22794287 Staff Sergeant Reginald Clifford PEARCE, Corps of Royal Engineers.

21145247 Staff Sergeant DALPARSAD RAI, 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles.

S/2628701 Staff Sergeant James CORLESS, Royal Army Service Corps.

22289148 Staff Sergeant Frank FOX, Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers.

19035495 Sergeant William ASHCROFT, The King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry.

14191687 Sergeant Kenneth Charles RICHARDSON, Special Air Service Regiment.

T/22253413 Sergeant William Young Maffon HENDERSON, Royal Army Service Corps.

T/19032598 Sergeant John Frederick BAILEY, Royal Army Service Corps.

22962874 Sergeant David John Vivian THACKERAY, Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

21148413 Lance Corporal JAGPARTAP SEN, 6th Queen Elizabeth's Own Gurkha Rifles.

21147751 Lance Corporal KINDRAMAN RAI, 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles.

21145365 Private (Acting Lance Corporal) MANDHOJ RAI, 10th Princess Mary's Own Gurkha Rifles.

17th November 1964.

REGULAR ARMY

Col. J. C. WOOLLETT, C.B.E., M.C., B.A. (66051), late R.E., to be Brig., 31st Aug. 1964.

Lt.-Col. W. S. MULLIN, O.B.E., M.A. (75266), from R.A.E.C., to be Col., 25th Sept. 1964.

Lt.-Col. A. D. FIRTH, O.B.E., M.C. (85646), from D.W.R., to be Col., 17th Aug. 1964, with seniority 28th May 1963.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Brig. W. J. N. NORMAN-WALKER, O.B.E. (34357), late R.A., having attained the age limit for liability to recall, ceases to belong to the Res. of Offrs., 14th Nov. 1964.

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Lt.-Col. (Hon. Col.) D. R. S. KAYE, D.S.O. (39928), having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to Res. of Offrs., 18th Nov. 1964.

R.T.R.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Maj. D. J. MASON (269307) having attained the age limit, ceases to belong to Res. of Offrs., 17th Nov. 1964.

R.A.C.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

Short Serv. Commn.

2nd Lt. A. R. WOOD (470895) from Active List, to be 2nd Lt., 16th Nov. 1964.

R. Wilts Yeo.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

2nd Lt. C. K. MASSY-BERESFORD (467916) (on probation) is confirmed in his appt. as 2nd Lt., 11th Nov. 1960, with seniority 11th Nov. 1958. To be Lt., 11th Nov. 1961, with seniority 11th Nov. 1960.

John Gretton PEEL (447286) (formerly A.E. Res. of Offrs., Gren. Gds.) to be Lt., 6th Oct. 1964, with seniority 29th July 1961.

W.W.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

2nd Lt. S. M. ANDERSON (470576) (on probation) is confirmed in his appt. as 2nd Lt., 29th Jan. 1962. To be Lt., 11th Oct. 1964.

Shrops Yeo.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lt. P. D. DALY (451050) is granted the actg. rank of Capt., 19th Oct. 1964.

Lt. P. D. DALY (451050) to be Capt., 5th Nov. 1964, with seniority 19th Oct. 1964.

Cheshire Yeo.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Capt. J. B. BENNETT (426095) from Foresters to be Capt., 17th Sept. 1964, with seniority 20th July 1959.

Capt. J. B. BENNETT (426095) is placed on the Unatt'd List, 17th Sept. 1964.

L.D.Y.

TERRITORIAL ARMY

Lt. R. McR. HEELIS (433377) to be Capt., 18th Aug. 1964.