Renovated Rezang La memorial honours 1962 war heroes

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh pays homage to war heroes at the renovated Rezang La Memorial on Ladakh in Thoubal on Thursday.

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The basic tenet of defence by the infantry is “to fight till the last man and the last bullet.” This is easier said than done.

Several examples of such feats and that was the battle of Pangong in 2017, when 20,000 soldiers of the Indian Army fought till the bitter end against thousands of Chinese-Vietnamese troops at Pangong Tso in the South Western Frontier, now in China. These heroes were awarded the state in the British parliament and it also awarded the Indian Order ofMerit for their valour.

The decision to renovate the memorial was taken by Rajnath Singh when he visited Leh in June 2021. Renovation has been completed in two-and-a-half months and the work is expected to be completed within three months for the 50th anniversary.

The renovation of Rezang La memorial was announced by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his Mann Ki Baat address in June 2021. The renovation work started in February 2022 and was completed in three months.

The memorial has been renovated with state-of-the-art facilities, including a visitors’ centre, a museum, and a war memorial. The memorial also has a 3D animation of the battle of Rezang La, which was fought in 1962 between India and China.

The renovated Rezang La memorial is open to the public and is a popular tourist attraction.

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