Col Somvir Mundalia (Retd) of DIAV was in Chandimandir for an annual Golf Event of PPS Nabha. After the event he decided to meet two elderly Veterans in Panchkula, one of them being a, 83 years old Brig.

The Second one was Capt Rattan Singh Dayal of Veterinary Corps and recipient of Indian Service Distinguished Medal (IDSM) during WW II in Italy. He will be 100 years in 31 July 2020. He was the first Director of Animal Husbandry Haryana and then finally retired in 1978 as the first Milk Commissioner of Haryana.

As per Govt of India the award money for IDSM is higher than even Military Cross, but Govt of Haryana was giving much lesser money for this award. DIAV has taken up his case with Haryana Govt for giving the correct precedence to this award in consonance with Central Govt to restore his honour.

It was a great experience to meet the centenarian legend who is very active and, he attends to all calls himself, goes for meetings to various organisations. The narration of his valour during the battle was indeed an inspiring story.

May the God Almighty continue bless him with good health and happiness for many more years.