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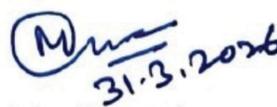
New Delhi, 31.03.2026

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the following appointments:

- i. **Ms. Nivedita Shukla Verma, IAS (UP:91)**, Secretary, Department of Chemicals and Petro-Chemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers as **Secretary, Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances**, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions with **additional charge** of the post of **Secretary, Department of Pensions and Pensioners Welfare**, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
- ii. **Shri Chanchal Kumar, IAS (BH:92)**, Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region as **Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting** vice Shri Sanjay Jaju, IAS (TG:92) upon his appointment as Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.
- iii. **Shri Narendra Bhooshan, IAS (UP:92)**, presently in the Cadre, as **Secretary, Department of Land Resources**, Ministry of Rural Development.
- iv. **Shri Chandra Sekhar Kumar, IAS (OR:92)**, Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs as **Chief Executive Officer, National Rainfed Area Authority**, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India.
- v. **Shri Sanjay Jaju, IAS (TG:92)**, Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting as **Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region** vice Shri Chanchal Kumar, IAS (BH:92) upon his appointment as Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.
- vi. **Shri Srivatsa Krishna, IAS (KN:94)**, Secretary, Ministry of Tourism as **Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs** vice Shri Chandra Sekhar Kumar, IAS (OR:92) upon his appointment as Chief Executive Officer, National Rainfed Area Authority, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- vii. **Shri Tejveer Singh, IAS (PB:94)**, presently in the Cadre, as **Secretary, Department of Chemicals and Petro-Chemicals**, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers vice Ms. Nivedita Shukla Verma, IAS (UP:91) upon her appointment as Secretary, Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions with additional charge of the post of Secretary, Department of Pensions and Pensioners Welfare, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
- viii. **Shri Sanjay Lohiya, IAS (AM:94)**, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines as **Special Secretary, Department of Financial Services**, Ministry of Finance by temporarily upgrading a vacant post of Joint Secretary in the Department. The officer will take over as Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance vice Shri Nagaraju Maddirala, IAS (TR:93) upon his superannuation on 31.05.2026.
- ix. **Shri Rohit Kansal, IAS (AGMUT:95)**, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles as **Secretary, Department of Rural Development**, Ministry of Rural Development vice Shri Shailesh Kumar Singh, IAS (JH:91) upon his superannuation on 31.03.2026.
- x. **Shri Bharat Harbanslal Khera, IAS (HP:95)**, Additional Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution as **Officer on Special Duty, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises** in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India. The officer will take over as Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises vice Shri Subhas Chandra Lal Das, IAS (AGMUT:92) upon his superannuation on 30.04.2026.
- xi. **Shri Abhishek Singh, IAS (NL:95)**, Director General, National Informatics Centre, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology as **Director General, National Testing Agency**, Ministry of Education in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India by temporarily upgrading the post.
- xii. **Shri Bhuvnesh Kumar, IAS (UP:95)**, Chief Executive Officer, Unique Identification Authority of India, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology as **Secretary, Ministry of Tourism** vice Shri Srivatsa Krishna, IAS (KN:94) upon his appointment as Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs.

2. The ACC has also approved in-situ upgradation of the following officers to the level of Special Secretary in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India as a measure personal to them by temporarily upgrading the posts held by them:

- i. **Shri Sanjay Rastogi, IAS (OR:91)**, Director General, National Archives of India, Ministry of Culture as **Director General, National Archives of India**, Ministry of Culture in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India.
- ii. **Shri Sajjan Singh Yadav, IAS (AGMUT:95)**, Additional Secretary, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance as **Special Secretary, Department of Expenditure**, Ministry of Finance.

  
(Manisha Saxena)  
Secretary  
Appointments Committee of the Cabinet  
& Establishment Officer