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Government of India  
Secretariat of the  
Appointments Committee of the Cabinet  
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions  
Department of Personnel and Training

New Delhi, 23.08.2021

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the following appointments/premature repatriations of officers at Joint Secretary/Joint Secretary equivalent level with pay at Level 14 (₹.1,44,200 - 2,18,200/-) of the Pay Matrix:

- (1) Appointment of **Ms. Vijaya Lakshmi Nadendla, IAS (BH:1995)** as **Joint Secretary Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**, for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Vivek Aggarwal, IAS (MP:1994);
- (2) Appointment of **Shri Priya Ranjan, IFoS (RJ:1998)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Atish Chandra, IAS (BH:1994);
- (3) Appointment of **Shri Pramod Kumar Meherda, IAS (OD:1997)** as **Managing Director, National Food Security Mission (NFSM)** under the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare with **additional charge** of the post of **Secretary, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB)** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier *vice* Ms. Neeraja Adidam, IFoS (UP:1990);
- (4) Appointment of **Shri Abhay Kumar Singh, IAS (BH:2004)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Cooperation** for a combined tenure of seven years upto 30/08/2022 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, or until further orders, whichever is earlier against a newly created post;
- (5) Appointment of **Ms. Kavita Garg, IDAS (1999)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri PN Ranjit Kumar, IPoS (1993);
- (6) Appointment of **Ms. Kavita Singh, IAS (PB : 2004)** as **Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat** for an overall tenure of five years upto 15/03/2025 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by temporarily upgrading the post of Director held by the officer, to be further adjustable against a regular vacancy of Joint Secretary in the Cabinet Secretariat;
- (7) Appointment of **Shri Vibhu Nayar, IAS (TN:1990)** as **Executive Director, India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO)** under the Department of Commerce for a tenure upto his superannuation on 31/10/2025 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier *vice* Shri Rajesh Agarwal, IAS (MN:1994);
- (8) Appointment of **Shri Madnesh Kumar Mishra, IRS (IT) (1990)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture** for a combined tenure of seven years upto 31/05/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier *vice* Ms. Nirupama Kotru, IRS (IT:1992);
- (9) Appointment of **Shri Dinesh Kumar, IAS (NL:2004)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Defence** for an overall tenure of five years upto 06/12/2025 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier *vice* Ms. Nidhi Chhibber, IAS (CG:1994);
- (10) Appointment of **Shri Sanjay Kumar, IA&AS (1995)** as **Additional FA & Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence (Finance)** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri AN Das, IDAS (1991);
- (11) Appointment of **Shri Vedveer Arya, IDAS (1997)** as **Additional FA & Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence (Finance)** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Subir Mallick, IA&AS (1989);
- (12) Appointment of **Shri Peeyush Kumar, IAS (AP:1997)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Sandhya Bhullar, IAS (GJ:2003);

- (13) Appointment of **Shri Sreekanth T, IAS (UT:2004)** as **Deputy Election Commissioner, Election Commission of India** for an overall tenure of five years upto 25/06/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier;
- (14) Appointment of **Shri Shailendra Singh, IFoS (TR:1997)** as **Deputy Director General (DDG), UIDAI, HQ, New Delhi** under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Laxmi P. Rao Yarram, IFoS (MH:1986);
- (15) Appointment of **Ms. P Bhanumati, ISS (1996)** as **Deputy Director General (DDG), UIDAI, RO, New Delhi** under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Pradeep Kumar IFoS (SK:1995);
- (16) Appointment of **Shri Neelesh Kumar Sah, IA&AS (1997)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Richa Sharma, IAS (CG:1994);
- (17) Appointment of **Ms. Neeraja Adidam, IFoS (UP:90)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Fertilizers** for a combined tenure of seven years upto 28.07.2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Partha Sarthi Sensharma, IAS (UP:1994);
- (18) Appointment of **Shri Partha Sarathi Das, IA&AS (1994)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri EK Majhi, IAS (KL:1989);
- (19) Appointment of **Ms. Vandana Jain, CSS** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sunil Sharma, IRPS (1985)
- (20) (i) Premature Repatriation of **Ms. Rekha Shukla, IRS (IT) (1989)**, Joint Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare;  
(ii) Appointment of **Ms. V Hekali Zhimomi, IAS (UP:1996)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Rekha Shukla, IRS (IT) (1989);
- (21) Appointment of **Shri Purnendu Kishore Banerjee, ISS (1993)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Higher Education** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sanjay Kumar Sinha, IFoS (JK:1993);
- (22) Appointment of **Shri CG Rajini Kaanthan, IAS (HY:2004)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs**, for an overall tenure of five years upto 08/11/2021 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, which is further extendable for additional two years on availability of cadre clearance, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Satyendra Garg, IPS(UT:1987);
- (23) Appointment of **Ms. Sreyashi Chaudhuri, CSS** as **Advisor, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)** under the Ministry of Home Affairs, for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sandeep Poundrik, IAS (BH:1993);
- (24) Appointment of **Shri Kunal Satyarthi, IFoS (HP : 1997)** as **Advisor, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)** under the Ministry of Home Affairs for a combined tenure of seven years up to 04/02/2026 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Ramesh K Ganta IAS (PB:1993);
- (25) Appointment of **Shri Dhananjay Kumar, IDAS (1993)** as **Director (Finance), NSG-Cum-Financial Advisor, CRPF** under the Ministry of Home Affairs, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 31/07/2024 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sanjeev Mishra, ICAS (1988);
- (26) Appointment of **Ms. Roopa Mishra, IAS (OD:2004)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** for an overall tenure of five years upto 02/02/2025 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Vinod Kumar Jindal, ICoAS (1988);

(27) Appointment of **Shri Pankaj Kumar Singh, IDAS (1994) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Manish Thakur, IAS (AM:1998);

(28) (i) Premature repatriation of **Shri Sudhir Garg, IRSEE (1986), Joint Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.**

(ii) Appointment of **Ms. Mercy Epao, CSS as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sudhir Garg, IRSEE (1986);

(29) Appointment of **Shri Srinivas Danda, IRS (IT) (1992) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri SK Dev Verman, IAS (MN:1988);

(30) Appointment of **Shri KS Rejimon ISS (1998) as Joint Secretary, NITI Aayog** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Jitendra Kumar, IFoS(UT:1987);

(31) Appointment of **Shri Kundan Kumar, IAS (BH:2004) as Adviser, NITI Aayog** for a combined tenure of eight years upto 03/02/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Parag Gupta IAS(OD:1988);

(32) Appointment of **Shri Ajay Kumar Kanojia, CSS as Additional Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), Department of Personnel & Training** for a tenure up to his superannuation on 30/06/2026 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Atul Singh, IPS (AP:1995);

(33) Appointment of **Ms. Radhika Rastogi, IAS (MH:1995) as Joint Director, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA)** under the Department of Personnel & Training for an overall tenure of five years upto 27/03/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Manoj Ahuja, IAS (OD:1990);

(34) Appointment of **Shri Raghuraj Madhav Rajendran, IAS (MP:2004) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power** for an overall tenure of five years upto 30/11/2022 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, which is further extendable for additional two years on availability of cadre clearance, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Vivek Kumar Dewangan, IAS (MN:1993);

(35) Appointment of **Shri Vishal Kapoor, IRSME (1995) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power** for a combined tenure of seven years upto 09/09/2022 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Tanmay Kumar, IAS (RJ:1993);

(36) Appointment of **Ms. Shruti Singh, IAS (PB:2004) as Joint Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)** for an overall tenure of five years upto 18/03/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(37) Appointment of **Shri S. K. Jha, CSS as Joint Secretary, Department of Revenue** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Sudhir Kumar, CSS;

(38) Appointment of **Shri Karma Zimpa Bhutia, IFoS (JH:1997) as Joint Secretary, Department of Rural Development** for a combined tenure of seven years up to 24/04/2024 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Prashant Kumar, IFoS (MP:1985);

(39) Appointment of **Shri Amit Kataria, IAS (CG:2004) as Joint Secretary, Department of Rural Development** for an overall tenure of five years upto 02/07/2022 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, which is further extendable for additional two years on availability of cadre clearance, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Leena Johri, IAS (UP:1994);

(40) Appointment of **Shri Gyaneshwar Kumar Singh, IP&TA&FS (1992) as Joint Secretary, National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC), Department of Social Justice & Empowerment**, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 03/08/2023 from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Smita S. Chaudhri, IA&AS (1990);

(41) Appointment of **Shri Rakesh Gupta, IAS (HY:1997)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri L K Meena, CSS;

(42) (i) Premature repatriation of **Ms. Aastha Saxena Khatwani, ICAS (1991)**, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development;

(ii) Appointment of **Ms. Tripti Gurha, IRTS (1993)** as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Aastha Saxena Khatwani, ICAS (1991);

(43) (i) Premature repatriation of **Shri Asit Singh, IRS (IT:1990)**, Joint Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs;

(ii) Appointment of **Shri Nitesh Kumar Mishra, ICAS (1995)** as **Joint Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs** for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Asit Singh, IRS (IT:1990);

(44) (i) Premature repatriation of **Ms. Seema Sharma, IRTS (1994), CVO, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)** to her parent cadre;

(ii) Premature repatriation of **Dr. Nipun Vinayak IAS (MH:2001)**, Joint Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare to his parent cadre.

  
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