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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, 31.12.2025

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the following appointments of officers at Joint Secretary/Joint Secretary equivalent level with pay at Level 14 of the Pay Matrix:

- (1) Appointment of **Shri Chinmay Pundlikrao Gotmare, IAS(AM:2009)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 12/04/2028, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Purna Chandra Kishan, IAS (RJ:2005);
- (2) Appointment of **Ms. Neha Verma, IFoS(UD:2005)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 19/01/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Ms. Shubha Thakur, CSS;
- (3) Appointment of **Shri Manoj Kumar Gangeya, IRTS (2000)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Coal**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Bhabani Prasad Pati, IFoS (GJ:1994);
- (4) Appointment of **Shri Amit Verma, IFoS(UD:2005)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 07/03/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Ms. Aishvarya Singh, IAS (SK:2008);
- (5) Appointment of **Shri Shival Kumar Gosh, IAS (KJ:2003)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Siddharth Mahajan, IAS (RJ:2003);
- (6) Appointment of **Ms. Kapil Chaudhary, IRS (C&IT) (2001)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Ms. Kesang Yangzom, IRS (IT:1995);
- (7) Appointment of **Shri Rahul Jain, IAS(MP:2005)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 03/11/2026, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Inder Deep Singh Dhariwal, IA&AS (1992);
- (8) Appointment of **Shri Kamlesh Kumar Mishra, IRTS(2003)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 13/06/2029, or until further orders, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Kaul Sanjay Moolchand, IAS (KL:2001);
- (9) Appointment of **Shri Shajan George P Verghese, CSS**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Defence**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Ajay Kumar, IAS (GJ:2006);
- (10) Appointment of **Ms. Tanvi Garg, IAS(UT:2009)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 01/01/2028, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Tarun Kumar Pithode, IAS (MP:2009);

(11) Appointment of **Shri Hanish Chhabra, IAS (TN:2006)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution**, from the date of assumption of charge of the post, on completion of cooling off period (i.e. 23/01/2026), for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Rajender Kumar, IOFS (1997)**;

(12) Appointment of **Shri Sibin C, IAS (PB:2005)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Ms. Roli Singh, IAS (RJ:1994)**;

(13) Appointment of **Shri Arindam Modak, ISS (1998)**, as **Secretary (JS level), National Dental Commission (NDC)**, under the **Department of Health & Family Welfare**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(14) Appointment of **Shri Satyanarain Gupta, ITS (1993)**, as **Joint Secretary, National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID)**, under the **Ministry of Home Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years up to 12/12/2028, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Satya S. Lolla IRS(C&CE) (1991)**;

(15) Appointment of **Ms. Nishtha Tiwari, IRS (IT:2005)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure of seven years up to 09/12/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Praveen Vashista, IPS (BH:1991)**;

(16) Appointment of **Shri Gurjeet Singh Dhillon, IOFS (2002)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure up to 25/03/2026, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by temporarily upgrading the post held by the officer from DS/Director to JS level for an initial period of two years;

(17) Appointment of **Shri Vinamra Mishra, IRSME(2003)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 12/08/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by temporarily upgrading the post held by the officer from DS/Director to JS level for an initial period of two years;

(18) Appointment of **Shri Keshvendra Kumar, IAS (KL:2008)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, on completion of cooling off period (i.e. 27/01/2026), for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(19) Appointment of **Shri Sandeep Vasant Kadam, IAS (HP:2008)**, as **Joint Secretary-cum-Mission Head, National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM)**, under the **Ministry of Mines**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(20) Appointment of **Shri Shyama Prasad Roy, CSS**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Charanpreet Singh Bakshi, IRS (C&IT:1992)**;

(21) Appointment of **Shri Atya Nand, CSS**, as **Joint Secretary, National Commission for Minorities (NCM)**, under the **Ministry of Minority Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri D E Richards, CSS**;

(22) Appointment of **Shri Jagdeep Gupta, IPoS (2004)**, as **Joint Secretary, Capacity Building Commission (CBC)**, under the **Department of Personnel & Training** from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(23) Appointment of **Shri Rajiv Kumar, IOFS (2002)**, as **Additional Secretary (JS level), Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)**, under the **Department of Personnel & Training**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 25/09/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Jai Prakash Pandey, IRPS (2003)**;

(24) Appointment of **Shri Aadhar Raj, IRTS (2004)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Sai Baba Darbamulla, IRSME(1993)**;

(25) Appointment of **Shri Shailesh Bagauli, IAS (UD:2002)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Revenue**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Naval Kishore Ram, IAS (MH:2008)**;

(26) Appointment of **Ms. Sukhgeet Kaur, IOFS (2000)**, as **Member Secretary (JS level), National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)**, under the **Department of School Education & Literacy**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years under Central Staffing Scheme and for a tenure of four years as Member Secretary (JS level), National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), as permissible under the NCTE Act, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Ms. Abhilasha Jha Mishra, IRAS (2000)**;

(27) Appointment of **Shri Asheesh Joshi, IAS(UD:2006)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of seven years upto 01/12/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Anandrao Vishnu Patil, IAS (AP:1998)**;

(28) Appointment of **Ms. Manasi Sahay Thakur, IAS(HP:2009)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 25/11/2029, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by operating a vacant post of Joint Secretary against the overall strength under the Central Staffing Scheme;

(29) Appointment of **Shri Ashish Kumar Gupta, IOFS (2002)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure of seven years upto 15/07/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by temporarily upgrading the post held by the officer from DS/Director to JS level for an initial period of two years;

(30) Appointment of **Ms. Manisha Chatterjee, IRTS (1999)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Textiles**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Shri Rajeev Saxena, IRSS (1995)**;

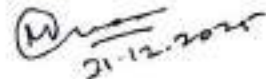
(31) Appointment of **Ms. Vrunda Manohar Desai, IRS (IT:2003)**, as **Textile Commissioner, Mumbai**, under the **Ministry of Textiles**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 12/04/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* **Ms. Roop Rashi, IA&AS (1994)**;

(32) Appointment of **Shri Naval Kishor, IOFS(2003)**, as **Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a combined tenure upto 28/10/2026, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(33) Appointment of **Shri Bhaskar Choradia, IRAS (2000)**, as **Joint Secretary & FA, Ministry of Tribal Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years upto 31/03/2029, or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Ms. Yatinder Prasad, IA&AS (1993);

(34) Appointment of **Shri Zaigham Ali Khan, IRAS (1999)**, as **Member (Finance) (JS level), Central Ground Water Board (CGWB)**, under the **Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of charge of the post, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;

(35) Appointment of **Shri Shiv Ratan, ITS (1996)**, as **Joint Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs**, from the date of assumption of the charge of the post, for an overall tenure of five years up to 04/12/2027, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;


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Secretary

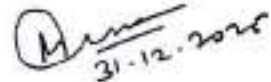
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