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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (BHARAT SARKAR)
CABINET SECRETARIAT (MANTRIMANDAL SACHIVALAYA)

New Delhi, the 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2003 9 Magha, 1924(S)

The undersigned is directed to say that with effect from the  $29^{\text{th}}$  January, 2003: -

- The Prime Minister relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions;
- ii) Shri L.K. Advani, Deputy Prime Minister assumed the charge of the office of Minister of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions. He will continue to hold the charge of the office of Minister of Home Affairs.
- iii) Shri Arun Jaitley assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of Law and Justice and Minister of Commerce and Industry.
- iv) Dr. C.P. Thakur assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of Small Scale Industries and Minister of Development of North Eastern Region.
- v) Shri Arun Shourie relinquished the charge of the offices of Minister of Development of North Eastern Region and Minister of Commerce and Industry and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of Communications and Information Technology. He will continue to hold the charge of the office of Minister of Disinvestment.
- vi) Shri Shatrughan Sinha relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of Health and Family Welfare and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of Shipping.
- vii) Smt. Sushma Swaraj relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of Information and Broadcasting and assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of Health and Family Welfare and Minister of Parliamentary Affairs.
- viii) Shri Kariya Munda relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of Agro and Rural Industries and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of Coal.
- ix) Shri Sangh Priya Gautam assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries.
- x) Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad relinquished the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Coal and Mines and Minister of State in the Ministry of Law and Justice and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- xi) Shri Ramesh Bais relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Mines.

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- xii) Shri Chhattrapal Singh assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.
- xiii) Shri Dilip Singh Judev assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment and Forests.
- xiv) Shri Dilipkumar Mansukhlal Gandhi assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Shipping.
- xv) Smt. Bhavnaben Devrajbhai Chikalia assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism and Culture.
- xvi) Smt. Jas Kaur Meena assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- xvii) Shri Tapan Sikdar relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers and assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Small Scale Industries and Minister of State in the Department of Development of North Eastern Region.
- xviii) Shri Subhash Maharia relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.
- Shri Chennamaneni Vidya Sagar Rao relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- Shri Satyabrata Mookherjee relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Planning, Minister of State in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Minister of State in the Department of Atomic Energy and Minister of State in the Department of Space.
- xxi) Dr. Sanjay Paswan relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- xxii) Shri Su. Thirunavukkarasar relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Shipping and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.
- Shri Vinod Khanna relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism and Culture and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.
- xxiv) Shri Ashok Pradhan relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

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- Shri U.V. Krishnam Raju relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development.
- xxvi) Dr. Vallabh Bhai Ramjibhai Kathiria relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- xxvii) Shri Harin Pathak relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Department of Defence Production and Supplies in the Ministry of Defence and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- xxviii) Shri O. Rajagopal relinquished the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation and assumed the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence.
- xxix) Shri Vijay Goel relinquished the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office and Minister of State in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation and assumed the charge of the offices of Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour.
- Shri Santosh Gangwar relinquished the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. He will continue to hold the charge of the office of Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

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