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AIR COMMODORE SONDHI'S NEW APPOINTMENT

First Commandant of Land-Air Warfare School

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Group Captain K. L. Sondhi, Chief Instructor (Air Wing), at the Defence Service Staff College, Wellington, has been appointed first Commandant of the newly established School of Land-Air Warfare, in the rank of Air Commodore.

He is amongst the senior IAF officers who have been recently promoted to the Air rank.

A graduate of the Government College, Lahore, Air Commodore Sondhi joined the Air Force a few weeks after World War II broke out in 1939. He served with the No. 22 Anti-aircraft Cooperation Unit and later held a staff appointment at Air HQ. In October 1946, he took over as President of the Services Selection Board and soon after partition, was appointed Director of Personnel. He was given command of the Air Force Station, New Delhi, in 1949, and a year later became Head of the No. 1 Air Force Academy. In 1951, he was selected to attend a course at the RAF Staff College at Andover, England, and, after graduating from it, he was appointed Air Advisor to the Indian High Commissioner in the United Kingdom, which appointment he held until January 1955.

Air Commodore Sondhi, who is also a graduate of the Joint Services Staff College, Latimore in England, was appointed Chief Instructor at the Defence Services Staff College in August 1955.

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