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CHAIRMAN OF CHIEFS OF
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GENERAL MANEKSHAW TAKES OVER

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General S.H.F.J. Manekshaw, Chief of the Army Staff, took over this morning as Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee from Admiral A.K. Chatterji, Chief of the Naval Staff, who will be proceeding on retirement on Saturday.

Admiral Chatterji has been Chairman of the Chiefs of the Staff Committee since July last year.

Gen. Manekshaw will be the fifth Chief of the Army Staff to hold the post of Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee. Earlier, the post has been held by Gen. Sir Rob Lockhart, Gen. K.M. Cariappa, Gen. K.S. Thimayya and Gen. J.N. Chaudhuri.

Gen. Manekshaw presented a silver salver to Admiral Chatterji at a meeting of the Chiefs of Staff Committee held here this morning. He thanked Admiral Chatterji for presiding over the deliberations of the Committee during the past eight months.

In his farewell address to the Chiefs of Staff Committee, Admiral Chatterji said he was confident that under the chairmanship of Gen. Manekshaw, the Committee would continue to play its role in formulating the defence policies of the country.

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