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MALIK MADE HONORARY GROUP CAPTAIN

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Sardar Hardit Singh Malik has been promoted to the honorary rank of Group Captain in the Indian Air Force by the President, Shri Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed.

Shri H.S. Malik who fought, as fighter pilot, during the First World War, got his wings in 1917. For the period of two years that he flew in the Royal Flying Corps, as the RAF was known in those early days of flying, he got to his credit the shooting of many enemy planes. Shri Malik was positioned in France in 1917 after training in U.K. He was seriously injured while in combat.

After leaving the R.F.C. in 1919, he joined the I.C.S., acted as Trade Commissioner in New York and represented India on various international Conferences before Independence. After Independence he served as High Commissioner in Canada and later as Indian Ambassador to France. He was also the President of 3rd General Assembly of International Civil Aviation Organisation in 1949.

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