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NEW SENIOR NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

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New senior Naval appointments and promotions have been announced by Ministry of Defence.

Rear Admiral R.L. Pereira, AVSM, Flag Officer Commanding Southern Naval Area will take over as Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief Western Naval Command. He has been promoted to the acting rank of Vice-Admiral. He succeeds Vice-Admiral Jal Cursetji who will take over as Chief of the Naval Staff on 1st of March, 1976.

Rear Admiral R.K.S. Gandhi, VRC, the Flag Officer Commanding Western Fleet has been promoted to the acting rank of Vice-Admiral and appointed Chief of Personnel at Naval Headquarters. He succeeds Vice-Admiral R.N. Batra, PVSM, who will be retiring shortly.

Rear Admiral S. Prakash, MVC, AVSM, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff has been appointed Flag Officer Commanding Southern Naval Area. He succeeds Rear Admiral Pereira.

Rear Admiral N.P. Datta, AVSM, Assistant Chief of Naval Staff has been appointed Deputy Chief of Naval Staff.

Commodore M.R. Schunker, AVSM, has been promoted to the acting rank of Rear Admiral and appointed Flag Officer Commanding Western Fleet. He succeeds Rear Admiral Gandhi.

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