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AIR MARSHAL GOLE APPOINTED DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF

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Air Marshal CKV Gole has been appointed Deputy Chief of Air Staff at Air Headquarters here. He took over his new office today. Earlier, he was Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Maintenance Command at Nagpur.

A graduate of Ferguson College, Poona, Air Marshal Gole was commissioned into the Air Force in 1949 as a fighter pilot. Later, he specialised in test flying and was the first Indian Test Pilot to win the McKenna Trophy in 1953 at the Empire Test Pilot School, Farnborough in the United Kingdom.

Air Marshal Gole has served as Assistant Chief of Air Staff (Plans) and Director of Air Staff Requirements at Air Headquarters. He was also Commandant of the Aircraft and Systems Testing Establishment of the Air Force and Senior Air Staff Officer at Headquarters, Eastern Air Command.

Air Marshal Gole is a graduate of the National Defence College.

For his distinguished services of the most exceptional order, Air Marshal Gole has been awarded the Param Vishisht Seva Medal. He is also a recipient of the Ati Vishisht Seva Medal.

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