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NEW DIRECTOR GENERAL COAST GUARD APPOINTED

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Rear Admiral H. Johnson has been appointed the new Director General, Coast Guard in the rank of Vice Admiral. Prior to this appointment, he was the Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet.

Rear Admiral Johnson was commissioned in the Indian Navy in 1955. After a brief spell on ships, he underwent flying training and graduated as a pilot in 1958. As a young officer he served in Goa in the various Air Squadrons at INS Hansa.

In the course of his long career, Admiral Johnson has commanded the Indian Naval ships Gomati, Tir, Amba and Taragiri. He was also the Commanding Officer of the Naval Air Station INS Garuda at Cochin.

Admiral Johnson is a graduate of the Royal College of Defence Studies, London. He is a recipient of Vishisht Seva Medal.

In addition, Rear Admiral VS Shekhawat has been appointed Flag Officer Maharashtra Area. He would also concurrently be the Flag Officer Defence Advisory group. Rear Admiral SW Lakhar has been appointed Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet while Rear Admiral KASZ Raju will take over as Flag Officer Commanding Western Fleet.

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