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VICE ADMIRAL TK CHAND TAKES OVER SOUTHERN  
NAVAL COMMAND

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Vice Admiral SK Chand, AVSM has taken over as the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Southern Naval Command, Cochin from Vice Admiral KASZ Raju, PVSM, AVSM, NM this morning. Prior to this appointment, Admiral Chand was the Fortress Commander Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the only unified Command of the country.

Commissioned in January 1958, Admiral Chand is a specialist in Communication.

Amongst various appointments held, he had commanded INS Talwar in the year 1976 in the rank of Commander and then INS Dunagiri in 1982 as Captain. He took over as Director of Naval Signals in the year 1980 which appointment he held till 1981 when he was selected for a one year course in the Royal College of Defence Studies, London. He became Director, Project Skylark in 1982 which appointment he held till March 1986. He took over as Director General, Project Seabird in March 1986 in the rank of Rear Admiral. He was awarded the Ati Vishisht Seva Medal in January 1986 and was promoted insitu to the rank of Vice Admiral on 19 April 1990.

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