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VICE ADMIRAL GOVIL RETIRES

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Vice Admiral SP Govil, Vice Chief of the Naval Staff is retiring on October 31, 1992 after a distinguished service of 39 years. Commissioned in the Navy in January 1955 he had served at sea on board Minesweepers, Destroyers and Cruisers. His important appointments included the Command of Destroyer Ganga, Frigate Talwar, Fleet Operations Officer Western Fleet, Naval Assistant to Chief of the Naval Staff and command of Leander Class Frigate Dunagiri.

He became a Rear Admiral in November 1982 and held the appointments of the Chief of the Staff, Western Naval Command in Bombay, Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet in Visakhapatnam and Assistant Chief of Naval Staff Operations at Naval Headquarters.

On promotion to Vice Admiral, he was made the Fortress Commander Andaman & Nicobar Islands and subsequently held appointments of Commandant, National Defence College, New Delhi, Flag Officer Commanding in - Chief Southern Naval Command Cochin before moving to Naval Headquarters as Vice Chief of Naval Staff on December 30, 1990.

A graduate of the Royal College of Defence Studies, London, Vice Admiral Govil was a recipient of Param Vishist Seva Medal and Ati Vishisht Seva Medal for his distinguished services of exceptionally high order.

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