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GENERAL S ROYCHOWDHURY IS NEW CHAIRMAN  
CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE

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At a function held in South Block today, the baton of the Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee (COSC) was handed over to General Shankar Roychowdhury by Admiral VS Shekhawat, the outgoing Chairman COSC and Chief of Naval Staff.

General Shankar Roychowdhury, Chief of the Army Staff takes over as the Chairman of the COSC from Admiral VS Shekhawat, Chief of the Naval Staff who retires on 30 Sep 96. The COSC comprises three Services Chiefs of the Army, Navy and the Air Force. The longest serving Chief is appointed the Chairman COSC. All matters of Inter Service nature and those affecting the Armed Forces as a whole are discussed here and then taken up at the appropriate level in the Government.

Admiral VS Shekhawat retires after 40 years of distinguished service to the Nation.

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