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AIR MARSHAL SS HUSSAIN NAQVI IS THE NEW  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF

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Air Marshal SS Hussain Naqvi, AVSM Vrc has taken over as Deputy Chief of Air Staff at Air Headquarters, New Delhi.

A graduate of Defence Service Staff College, Wellington and Air War College USA, Air Marshal Hussain Naqvi was commissioned in Fighter Stream of Indian Air Force in March 1963. He has held number of prestigious command and staff appointments in his last 35 years of distinguished service. Notable amongst them were Command of a supersonic fighter sqn 'Tiger Sharks', Commander of IAF elements in Sri Lanka, Director of Electronic Warfare at Air HQs and Deputy DG Policy Plan at Defence Planning Staff, MOD.

Air Marshal Naqvi has over 3600 hrs of accident free flying experience mainly on fighter aircraft. He is also a pilot Attack Instructor and served on Deputation with Iraqi Air Force as a Fighter Instructor. Prior to present appointment, he was Commandant of College of Air Warfare at Secunderabad, one of the prestigious institution of IAF.

In 1971 Air Marshal was awarded Vir Chakra for his valour in face of enemy and Ati Vishisht Seva Medal by the President of India for excellence of service while in Command of fighter base.

In another set of appointments, Air Marshal VG Kumar has been appointed as Commodore Commandant of Air HQ Communication Squadron. Set up in 1947, Air HQ Communication Squadron is entrusted with

VVIP/VIP movements, AVSM SAB Naidu VM, VSM has been appointed as Commodore Commandant for 21 Squadron and Air Vice Marshal MB Madon, VM & Bar has been appointed as Commodore Commandant 29 Sqn.

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