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The President of India, on the advice of the Prime Minister, has accepted the resignation of Shri R. Venkataraman from the Council of Ministers and has directed that -

1. Shri S.B. Chavan, Minister without Portfolio, to be Minister of Defence.
2. Shri P.C. Sethi, Minister of Planning, will also temporarily be incharge of the Ministry of Irrigation.
3. Shri Harinath Mishra, Minister of State of the Ministry of Rural Development, to be Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation.
4. Smt. Mohsina Kidwai, Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, to be Minister of State of the Ministry of Rural Development.
5. Shri R.N. Mirdha, Minister of State in the Ministry of Irrigation, to be Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs.

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