



Supreme Commander of the Indian Armed Forces

Shri Ram Nath Kovind

Father's Name: Late Shri Maiku Lal

Mother's Name: Late Smt. Kalavati

Date of Birth: October 01, 1945

Place of Birth: Kanpur Dehat, Uttar Pradesh

Marital Status: Married

Spouse's Name: Smt. Savita Kovind

Children: Prashant Kumar and Swati

Educational Qualifications: B.Com, L.L.B.

Permanent Address: Kanpur Dehat, Uttar Pradesh

Present Address: Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, 110004, Tel: 011-23015321

Profession: Advocate, Politician and Activist

Positions Held:

- Member, Rajya Sabha, 1994-2006. (Elected from Uttar Pradesh)
- Permanent Advocate at Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for Central Govt. (1980-93).
- Member, Parliamentary Committees for SC/ST Welfare, Home Ministry, Petroleum & Natural Gas, Social Justice and Rights, Law & Justice, Chairman of Rajya Sabha Housing Committee.
- Member, Management Board for Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Lucknow.
- Member, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata.
- Represented India at United Nations (New York) and addressed the General Assembly during Oct, 2002.
- Governor of Bihar from 16-08-2015 to 21-06-2017

Countries Visited: Widely travelled



GENERAL BIPIN RAWAT, UYSM, AVSM, YSM, SM, VSM

1. General Bipin Rawat, is an alumnus of St. Edward School, Shimla, and the National Defence Academy, Khadakwasla; he was commissioned to the Fifth Bn, the Eleventh Gorkha Rifles of the Indian Army in December 1978, from IMA, Dehradun, where he was awarded the 'Sword of Honour'. The officer has vast experience in operations across a wide spectrum of conflict and terrain profiles. He commanded an Infantry battalion, along the Line of Actual Control in the Eastern Sector; a Rashtriya Rifles Sector; an Infantry Division in the Kashmir Valley; and, a Corps in the North East. The officer also commanded a Multinational Brigade, in a Chapter VII mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUC). As an Army Cdr, he commanded a theatre of ops along the Western Front.

2. General Rawat's staff and instructional assignments include, Instructional tenure at IMA Dehradun; General Staff Officer, at the Military Operations Directorate; Logistics staff officer of a Division in Central India; Colonel Military Secretary and Deputy Military Secretary in the Military Secretary's Branch; and Senior Instructor, Junior Command Wing. He has been Major General General Staff of the Eastern Theatre, and the Vice Chief of the Army Staff.

3. General Bipin Rawat is a graduate of the Defence Services Staff College, Wellington, the Higher Command and National Defence College courses and, has attended the Command and General Staff Course at Fort Leavenworth, USA. The officer during the span of over 38 years service in uniform has been awarded for gallantry and distinguished service with the UYSM, AVSM, YSM, SM, VSM; COAS Commendation on two occasions and the Army Commander's Commendation. Whilst serving with the United Nations, he was twice awarded the Force Commander's Commendation.

4. Academically inclined, the General has authored numerous articles on 'National Security' and 'Leadership' which have been published in various journals and publications. He was awarded M. Phil in Defence Studies from Madras University, and holds two Diplomas, in Management and Computer Studies respectively. General Bipin Rawat completed his research on military media strategic studies and was awarded Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D) from Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut.

5. The General officer assumed the appointment of the Chief of the Army Staff on 31 Dec 2016.



Admiral Karambir Singh, PVSM, AVSM, ADC Chief of the Naval staff

Admiral Karambir Singh assumed command of the Indian Navy today (31 May 19) as the 24th Chief of the Naval Staff.

Admiral Karambir Singh is an alumnus of the National Defence Academy, Khadakwasla. Commissioned into the Indian Navy in July 1980, he earned his wings as a helicopter pilot in 1981 and has flown extensively on the Chetak (Alouette) and Kamov helicopters. He is a graduate of the Defence Services Staff College, Wellington; College of Naval Warfare, Mumbai and has served as Directing Staff in both these institutions.

In his career spanning over 39 years, he has commanded Indian Coast Guard Ship Chandbibi, Missile Corvette INS Vijaydurg, as well as two Guided Missile Destroyers, INS Rana and INS Delhi. He has also served as the Fleet Operations Officer of the Western Fleet. Ashore, he has served at Naval Headquarters as the Joint Director Naval Air Staff, and as Captain Air and Officer-in-Charge of the Naval Air Station at Mumbai.

He has also served as member of the Aircrew Instrument Rating and Categorisation Board (AIRCATS).

On promotion to flag rank, the Admiral was appointed as the Chief of Staff, Eastern Naval Command. His other important flag appointments include Chief of Staff of the Tri-Services Unified Command at Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Flag Officer Commanding Maharashtra and Gujarat Naval Area (FOMAG).

In the rank of Vice Admiral, he has been Director General Project Seabird, in-charge of infrastructure development of the Navy's expansive and modern base at Karwar. At the Integrated Headquarters Ministry of Defence (Navy), the Admiral has been the Deputy Chief of Naval Staff and, subsequently, the Vice Chief of Naval Staff. He was the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command at Visakhapatnam, prior taking over helm as the Chief of the Naval Staff on 31 May 19.

The Admiral enjoys cycling, running, swimming and golf. ____



Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, VM, ADC

Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa, is the 25th Chief of the Air Staff of the Indian Air Force. He assumed the post on 31 December 2016 after Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha retired. Dhanoa is also the Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee^[5], making him the senior-most officer in the Indian military.

Birender Singh Dhanoa was born in Deoghar in the Indian state of Bihar (now Jharkhand) to Sukhdev Kaur and Sorain Singh. His ancestral village is Gharuan in the state of Punjab. His father Sorain Singh, an IAS officer, served as the Chief Secretary to the governments of Punjab and Bihar during the 1980s, and later as an advisor to the Punjab state governor. His grandfather Capt Sant Singh had fought in World War II as a captain of the British Indian Army. He has completed a part of his schooling from St. Xavier's School, Ranchi. He is an alumnus of St. George's College, Mussoorie, where he studied from 1968 to 1969. He thereon joined Rashtriya Indian Military College, Dehradun, and later graduated from National Defence Academy, Pune. He also attended a staff course in Defence Services Staff College, Wellington in 1992. Dhanoa was commissioned into the fighter stream of the Indian Air Force in June 1978.

He has flown various types of fighter jets and is a qualified flying instructor. He has flown fighter aircraft across the spectrum including HJT-16 Kiran, MiG-21, SEPECAT Jaguar, MiG-29 and Su-30MKI. He held several key operational and administrative appointments in his 37 years of career including Director Targeting Cell at Air Headquarters, Director Fighter Operations & War Planning at Headquarters Western Air Command, Assistant Chief of Air Staff (Intelligence) at Air Headquarters, Senior Air Staff Officer of Eastern and Western Air Command and Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of South Western Air Command (1 November - 31 May 2015). He has held instructional appointments of Senior Air Instructor and Chief Air Instructor at Defence Services Staff College, Wellington and leader of an Indian Air Force Training Team abroad.

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Dhanoa has been awarded several medals: the Param Vishisht Seva Medal (2016), the Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (2015), the Yudh Seva Medal (1999), and the Vayu Sena Medal(1999). He was also appointed as Honorary ADC to the President of India on 1 August 2015.

Air Marshal Dhanoa is married to Kamalpreet Kaur; they have one son, Jasman Singh, who is a law graduate.