

Lt Gen Anil Chauhan Appointed New Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)

The Government has appointed Lieutenant General Anil Chauhan (Retired) as the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS). Lieutenant General Chauhan will also function as Secretary, Department of Military Affairs. In a career spanning over nearly 40 years, Lieutenant General Anil Chauhan held several command, staff and instrumental appointments and had extensive experience in counter-insurgency operations in Jammu and Kashmir and North-East India. For his distinguished and illustrious service in the Army, Lt General Anil Chauhan (Retired) was awarded the Param Vishisht Seva Medal, Uttam Yudh Seva Medal, Ati Vishisht Seva Medal, Sena Medal and Vishisht Seva Medal. The post of Chief of Defence Staff had been lying vacant since death of General Bipin Rawat in a helicopter crash on 8th December 2021.

