OUR PREDICTION CAME TRUE

Ambassodor to UN, Austria,Slovenia, Qatar and Baharin appointed on April 29

(WE  SAID THIS ON APRIL 28 )

**IFS officers posting file cleared ?**

If sources are to be believed, the PMO has reportedly cleared the transfers and postings file of about half a dozen IFS officers. It is said that about half a dozen IFS officers likely to get new postings including in UK, EU, Austria , Finland and UN Rep at Geneva.

TS Tirumurti  appointed  India's new Permanent Representative to UN on April 29

(WE SAID THIS ON  APRIL 27, 2020)

**PMO clears file to appoint T S Tirumurti as next Ambassador to UN**

The PMO has reportedly cleared the file to appoint T S Tirumurti , currently posted as Secretary (Economic Relations) in MEA as India's next Ambassador to the UN. He is a 1985 batch Indian Foreign Service officer.There were speculations earlier that Syed Akbarruddin could get service extension who is retiring this month.

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What people say about us !

Hats off to your resourcefulness even in midst of unprecedented constraints.

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With nice words, we never obtained anything.

**In BJP, Party decides not an individual?**

There are reports that Amit Shah told Jyotiraditya Scindia that in BJP only party decides not an individual. This was in response when Scindia met to include his supporters in the Cabinet in Madhya Pradesh.

**Uddhav wants help from PM**

Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thakarey dialed PM Narendra Modi on Thursday and requested him to bail him out. Maharashtra Cabinet has sent a proposal to the Governor to nominate Thakarey as a member of Legislative Council. His term ends on May 26. Before this date he wants to become a member of the Council. One has to wait and watch.

BUREAUCRACY

**TS Tirumurti appointed India's new Permanent Representative to UN**

TS Tirumurti has been appointed India's new Permanent Representative to UN. He is 1985 batch IFS officer. He would succeed Syed Akbaruddin.

***(We said this on April 27, 2020 )***

**Rajiv Kumar is new Chairperson, PESB**

Former Secretary Finance Rajiv Kumar has been appointed as new Chairperson, Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB). He is a 1984 batch retired IAS officer of Jharkhand cadre.

**Sharad Kumar to continue as VC in CVC ?**

Acting Chief Vigilance Commissioner Sharad Kumar will continue as VC till attaining the age of 65. He is 1979 batch IAS officer of Haryana cadre.

**Ex Andhra Bank Chief Suresh N Patel assumes charge as Vigilance Commissioner**

Former Andhra Bank MD & CEO Suresh N Patel has assumed charge as Vigilance Commissioner on Wednesday.

**K S Sreenivasa Raju relieved to join Telangana cadre**

K S Sreenivasa Raju has been relieved to join the Telangana cadre on inter cadre deputation. He is a 2001 batch IAS officer of AP cadre.

**Mohanty to join NSC**

Satyajit Mohanty, ADG, System, will join National Security Council (NSC) Secretariat as JS for six months. He is a 1999 batch IRS-C&CE officer.

**Amit Khare takes over as Secretary I & B**

The PMO has reposed faith in Amit Khare to handle the sensitive and most difficult Ministry as Secretary I& B along with HRD. This is for the second time that 1985 batch IAS officer of Jharkhand cadre has taken over as Secretary I&B.

**A low profile post - Ravi Kant to join on May 1**

Ravi Kant will be taking over the charge as Secretary, Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Ministry of Defence on May 1, 2020. He is a 1984 batch IAS officer of Bihar cadre.

**Sanjeev Ranjan to take over as Secretary, Shipping on May 1**

Sanjeev Ranjan will be taking over the charge as Secretary, Ministry of Shipping on May 1, 2020. He is a 1985 batch IAS officer of Tripura cadre. Has the Minister agreed on his name ?

**Pawan Kumar Agarwal now to join as Special Secretary, Logistics on May 1. Any reason ?**

Pawan Kumar Agarwal, who  was  Secretary  Consumer Affairs, will now be taking over the charge as Special Secretary (Logistics), Department of Commerce on May 1, 2020. He is a 1985 batch IAS officer of West Bengal cadre. Has this change something to do with PM’s Garib Kalyan Yojana ?

**Choice of PMO-Tarun Kapoor to join as Secretary, Petroleum & Natural Gas on May 1**

Tarun Kapoor will be taking over the charge as Secretary of the high profile  Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas on May 1, 2020. He is a 1987 batch IAS officer of HP cadre. In fact name of Tarun Bajaj was in circulation but finally the name of Tarun Kapoor was approved. Now in the corridors of power people  are watching with key interest  any kind of Mombai role. Mainly he is the choice of the PMO.

**Ram Mohan Mishra to take over as Secretary, NCSC on May 1**

Ram Mohan Mishra will be taking over the charge as Secretary, National Commission for Scheduled Castes on May 1, 2020. He is a 1987 batch IAS officer of Assam-Meghayala cadre.

**Ajay Tirkey to join as Secretary, Women & Child Development on May 1**

A low profile  Ajay Tirkey will be taking over the charge as Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development on May 1, 2020. He is a 1987 batch IAS officer of MP cadre.

**PMO’s  man-Tarun Bajaj to join as Secretary, Economic Affairs on May 1**

Tarun Bajaj will be taking over the charge as Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs on May 1, 2020. He is a1988 batch IAS officer of Haryana cadre. No doubt about this posting  as PMO’s choice.

**PMs man - Arvind Kumar Sharma to join as Secretary, MSME on May 1**

Arvind Kumar Sharma ho remained with PM Narendra Modi for almost 20 years will be taking over the charge as Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises on May 1, 2020. He is a 1988 batch IAS officer of Gujarat cadre. People may say anything  about his posting from the PMO to MSME one thing is certain PM has sent him  with a Special task in making India.

**Naveen Mahajan unlikely to join as OSD to Lok Sabha Speaker**

Rajasthan cadre 1997 batch IAS officer Naveen Mahajan is now unlikely to join as OSD to the Lok Sabha Speaker O P Birla.

**Santosh Sarangi to return to Odisha**

Santosh Sarangi, IAS, 1994, Odisha cadre will join back in Odisha on 1st May after completing his term as Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce, GoI.

**1999 batch IRSE officers still awaiting empanelment to SAG**

The 1999 batch IRSE officers in the Indian Railways have not still been empanelled for Senior Administrative Grade Promotion.

**ITS officer to join MoD**

Mahendra Prakash Gupta, an Indian telecom Service (ITS) officer will join the Ministry of Defence as Director for five years on deputation under Central Staffing Scheme (CSS). He is presently working in BSNL.

**BBB completes first online application process to select MD & CEO of India Post Payment Bank**

The Banks Board Bureau has obtained licenses on SurveyMonkey for collection of applications for top level posts in PSBs and other government financial institutions . The first such fully online application process has been successfully completed for the vacancy of MD & CEO in India Post Payment Bank.

**Two ITS officers superannuating this month**

Two ITS officers- Lalit Mohan Sanwal and Hukum Singh- are schedule to retire this month. Sanwar is PGM, BSNL, New Delhi and Singh is ADG, DoT hq.

**S N Sah promoted to HA grade in NER**

Sheo Narayan Sah, presently posted as CSO with North Eastern Railway, has been appointed in higher administrative grade and posted as CSO in North Eastern Railway itself. He is an IRSSE officer.

**P M Sikdar promoted to HA grade; transferred to NR**

P M Sikdar has been transferred to Northern Railway and appointed in higher administrative grade as CSTE (Project). He is an IRSSE officer.

**Sunil Kumar promoted to HA grade and posted as CSTE (Proj.), CR**

Sunil Kumar presently posted with Central Railway has been promoted to higher administrative grade and posted as CSTE (Project) in Central Railway.He is an IRSSE officer.

**Ranjeet Narayan promoted to HA grade as CSTE (Proj), SECR**

Ranjeet Narayan, presently posted with South East Central Railway had been promoted to higher administrative grade and posted as CSTE (project) in South East Central Railway itself.

**A K Sagar promoted to HA grade as CSTE( Proj.), WCR**

A K Sagar, presently posted with Northern Railway has been promoted to higher administrative grade with transfer to West Central Railway and posted as CSTE (Project), West Central Railway.He is an IRSSE officer.

**Ajay Kumar promoted to HA grade as PCSTE, SWR**

Ajay Kumar presently posted with South Western Railway has been promoted to higher administrative grade and posted as PCSTE in South Western Railway. He is an IRSSE officer.

**Satyavir Singh promoted to HA grade in WCR**

Satyavir Singh, presently posted with West Central Railway as PCSTE (CHOD), has been appointed in higher administrative grade as PCSTE (PHOD) in the West Central Railway. He is an IRSSE officer.

**Dr Seema Khanna promoted as DDG in NIC**

Dr Seema Khanna has been promoted to Deputy Director General in National Informatics Centre (NIC).

Five Ambassadors appointed (UPDATED)

On April 29, 2020, the PMO cleared the first list of appointment of five diplomats.Accordingly--

T. S. Tirumurti , presently Secretary in the Ministry, has been appointed as the next Ambassador/Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations at New York.he is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1985 batch.

Ms. Namrata S. Kumar , presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Slovenia.She is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1997 batch.

 Jaideep Mazumdar , presently Ambassador of India to the Republic of Philippines, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Austria.He is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1989 batch.

Deepak Mittal , presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the State of Qatar.He is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1998 batch.

Piyush Srivastava , presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Kingdom of Bahrain. He is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1998 batch.

Dr Rajat Bhargava appointed Spl CS, Revenue Dept , AP

Dr Rajat Bhargava has been posted as Special Chief Secretary, Revenue Department, Govt of Andhra Pradesh.He is an IAS officer of AP cadre of 1990 batch.

**Post of Ms Anjana Vashishtha upgraded to Director level (UPDATED)**

The post of Ms Anjana Vashishtha has been upgraded as Director in the Department of Economic Affairs. She is a 2005 batch ICAS officer.

Tenure of E.S. Ranganathan, MD ,Indraprastha Gas Ltd extended

GAIL (India) Limited has extended tenure of E.S. Ranganathan, Managing Director of Indraprastha Gas Ltd (nominee of GAIL) till May 31, 2020. The current tenure of E.S. Ranganathan is ending on April 30, 2020.

GoI staff to get access into office only after checking Aaorgya Setu status (UPDATED)

The Government of India has made it compulsory for all officers and staff to have ‘Aarogya Setu’ in their cell phones. Office Memorandum says that before starting for office, they must review their status on 'Aarogyasetu' and commute only when the app shows 'safe' or 'low risk' status. In case the App shows a message that he/she has a 'moderate' or 'high risk' calculated on the basis of Bluetooth proximity ("recent contact with infected person"), he/she should not come to office and self isolate for 14 days or till the status becomes 'safe' or 'low risk'. Joint Secretary (Administration) should ensure that above directions are strictly followed in the respective ministries/departments.

**K Prakash empanelled as Joint Secretary in GoI (UPDATED)**

K Prakash has been empanelled for holding the post of Joint Secretary or equivalent posts in Government of India. He is a 1991 batch officer of Indian Postal Service.

**Harpreet Singh empanelled as Joint Secretary in GoI (UPDATED)**

Harpreet Singh has been empanelled for holding the post of Joint Secretary or equivalent posts in Government of India. He is a 1992 batch officer of Indian Postal Service.

**Sushil Kumar Thakur empanelled as Joint Secretary in GoI (UPDATED)**

Sushil Kumar Thakur has been empanelled for holding the post of Joint Secretary or equivalent posts in Government of India. He is a 1997 batch IA&AS officer.

**Dr P C Dubey promoted as PCCF, Production in MP (UPDATED)**

Dr P C Dubey has been appointed as PCCF (Production), Headquarter, Bhopal after promotion to PCCF grade in Madhya Pradesh. He is a 1986 batch IFS officer of MP cadre.

**Mrs Sameeta Rajora promoted as APCCF, Vigilance & Grievances  in MP (UPDATED)**

Mrs Smeeta Rajora has been appointed as appointed as APCCF (Vigilance/Grievances) in PCCF office in Bhopal after promotion to APCCF grade. She is a 1992 batch IFS officer of MP cadre.

**S Ramakrishnan promoted to PCIT grade (UPDATED)**

S Ramakrishnan has notionally been promoted to the grade of PCIT. He is an IRS-IT officer.

**D K Balaji is new Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Kurnool in AP (UPDATED)**

D K Balaji has been appointed as new Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh. He is a 2015 batch IAS officer.

3 Addl Judges elevated as Permanent Judges in Calcutta HC

Justices Bibek Chaudhuri , Subhasis Dasgupta and Mrs Suvra Ghosh, Additional Judges of the Calcutta High Court have been appointed as permanent judges of the Calcutta High Court with effect from the date they assume charge of their respective offices.

5 Addl judges appointed in Karnataka HC

Shivashankar Amarannavar, Mrs Makkimane Ganeshaiah Uma, Vedavyasachar Srishananda, Hanchate Sanjeevkumar and Padmaraj Nemachandra Desai have been appointed as Additional Judges of the Karnataka High Court for a period of two years with effect from the date they assume charge of their respective offices.

Suresh K Reddy to be next Ambassador to Brazil

Suresh K. Reddy , presently Additional Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Federative Republic of Brazil. He is an Indian Foreign Service officer of 1991 batch.

Pradeep Kumar Shukla appointed as Director (Fin), Central Water Commission (UPDATED)

Pradeep Kumar Shukla has been appointed as Director (Finance) at Deputy Secretary level in Central Water Commission under the Department of Water Resources. He is a 2009 batch IP&TA&FS officer.

Justice Mohammed Ajmal shifted to NCLT, Mumbai

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Justice Mohammed Ajmal, Judicial Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Amravati to NCLT, Mumbai.

Ms Sucharita R shifted to NCLT Chennai

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Ms Suchrita R, Judicial Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Cuttak to NCLT, Mumbai.

P K Mohanty shifted to NCLT Ahmedabad

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Prasanta Kumar Mohanty, Technical Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) , Ahmedabad to NCLT, Gauhati.

V S R Hari shifted to NCLT Mumbai

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Venkata Subba Rao Hari, Judicial Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) , Gauhati to NCLT, Mumbai.

Narender K Bhola shifted to NCLT New Delhi

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Narender Kumar Bhola, Technical Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Hyderabad to NCLT, New Delhi.

V B R Arekapudi shifted to NCLT Hyderabad

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Veera Brahma Rao Arekapudi ,Technical Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Kochi to NCLT, Hyderabad.

BP Mohan shifted to NCLT Amravati

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has shifted Justice BP Mohan, Judicial Member, National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) Mumbai to NCLT, Amravati.

CORPORATE

**Dr Pushpendra Rai re-nominated as Part-time Director on SBI Central Board**

The Central Government has re-nominated Dr Pushpendra Rai as Part-time Non-official Director on the Central Board of State Bank of India for a period of two years beyond February 5, 2020.

**Reddy appointed CEO of Kesoram Industries**

Kesoram Industries Limited has appointed Gujjula Srinivasa Reddy as Chief Executive Officer of the company.

**Two independent directors re-appointed on Majesco Ltd Board**

Majesco Limited has re-appointed Venkatesh Chakravarty and Mrs Madhu Dubhashi as independent directors of the company for second term of five consecutive years w.e.f April 30, 2020.

FORUM

DEBATE(1)

USA is still super power amid COVID-19

United States America (USA) is still supper power as far as military strength is concerned. Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) will not much wreck havoc on the country.

Anup Kumar

**Attention Finance Minister**

A paper title FORCE (Fiscal Options & Response to COVID-19 Epidemic) developed by nearly 50 IRS officers, the cream of tax experts, is excellent paper for revival of various sectors and boost the revenue. But the paper could not address the real issues of tax leakage and evasions in the system. IRS officers are ground level officers and know the system very well but not able to bring the real issues due to its own limitations. As 10% of population has more than 70% of country wealth and this unequal distribution of wealth is primarily due to aberrations in the tax system. It is estimated that there are people earning more than millions of rupees per TV shows, selling toilet cleaners, selling houses (without physical houses), selling bhujias, endorsing ad. of particular items/brands, performing in stages etc earning millions and millions but how much tax is paid by such professionals, it is to reviewed. Tax professionals should have come with some proposals how to assess the real income of such professionals thru some innovative tools, methodologies etc. in order to reduce the tax leakages and increase the tax revenues. Professionals can show 80% of earning as expenditures and pay the taxes on 20%. Such aberrations should be minimised. A professional earning 50 lakhs get 50% deduction straightway, why it is so? Whereas Salaried class is not even given Rs. 50000/ as standard deduction in the new system.This needs to be seen. Country is passing thru a very difficult time due to Covid-19 and expenditure is being cut to meet the social obligations. But we are allowing tax exemptions to NGOs, trusts, educational institutions etc, These institutions can be brought under income tax act thru an amendment to pay taxes on their donations and contributions. This will solve many problems during this crisis and open a path to increase the tax revenue. As these organisation are already serving the society at large only now the scope will increase to serve the country also by paying the taxes. This will empower the Govt, to know the financial transactions and assets they have when they file their income tax returns otherwise IT and ED takes years to find the details and source of funds. Of course IRS officers can not put such proposals in the paper as it needs a view from highest level to implement such things but this is worth considering in the larger interest of the country. Vivad se Vishwas is good scheme and make it vision of the department .to solve most of the cases. Bring the pendency to zero for the cases older than 5 years. There is no point of dragging the cases. Close the cases if no tax liabilities have been imposed and are in initial stages of notices create the brand TRUST between tax payers and tax administration. Do not chase small tax payers, Sr. Citizens, house wives etc. Conserve the man power and time for more innovative work to reduce tax leakages in the systems. More work is required to assess the income of professionals, traders, contractors etc. using present day technology. Income tax department has done wonderful work developing their website for filing returns and refund is processed very fast now a days, They need appreciations but the fear still continues in the mind of public to go near to the department. This has to go and brand TRUST is developed. ITR filing should remain simple so more people file their returns without the help of CAs. Simplicity is the key to success.

Naveen