


New Appointments

New Appointments (National & International)- April

- Debjani Ghosh, former managing director of Intel South Asia, is the new president of Nasscom. She has replaced R.Chandrashekhar upon completion of his term.
- Long-serving American diplomat Rosemary DiCarlo was appointed to become the first woman to head UN political affairs, one of the most high-profile positions at the world body. DiCarlo has replaced Jeffrey Feltman.
- Lt Gen Harpal Singh an alumnus of National Defence Academy, Khadakwasla has been appointed as Director General Border Roads (DGBR).
- Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth was appointed as a Deputy Collector in the state government by the CM of Andhra Pradesh N Chandrababu Naidu.
- Senior bureaucrat Chandra Bhushan Kumar has been appointed as Deputy Election Commissioner as part of a major bureaucratic reshuffle effected by the government.
- Subrata Bhattacharjee has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Serbia.
- SBI Life Insurance has appointed Sanjeev Nautiyal as its new Managing Director & CEO. He replaces Arijit Basu, who takes over a key role in the State Bank of India Group.
- Assam Health & Education Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma was unanimously elected the Badminton Association of India (BAI) President during its annual general body meeting in Goa. Ajay Kumar Singhania was elected the Secretary General of BAI.
- Balram Bhargava has been appointed the new Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) & Secretary of the Department of Health Research. He will succeed Soumya Swaminathan.
- Former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has been elected chairman of 'Boao Forum for Asia' (BFA). He has replaced former Japanese Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda.
- Rishad Premji, Board member of Wipro Ltd. has been appointed as the Chairman of the National Association of Software & Services Companies (NASSCOM) for 2018-19. He succeeds Raman Roy. NASSCOM also appointed Keshav Murugesh as the Vice Chairman for 2018-19.
- Senior IPS officer Rajesh Ranjan was appointed as Director General of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF).
- Lieutenant General PP Malhotra assumed charge as Director General of National Cadet Corps (NCC), the largest uniformed youth organization in the world.
- Dilip Chenoy was appointed as the Secretary-General of industry body Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI). He has replaced Sanjaya Baru.
- Jim Bridenstine, a congressman from Oklahoma, US Navy veteran, & former pilot, was confirmed on a 50-49 vote & will become the 13th administrator of the National

- Aeronautics & Space Administration (NASA) seven months after Trump named him to lead the agency.
- Senior lawyer Indu Malhotra was sworn in as the judge of the Supreme Court in the presence of Chief Justice of India Dipak Misra. The appointment was made by the President Ram Nath Kovind.
- UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has appointed Christine Schraner Burgener of Switzerland as his new special envoy on Myanmar.
- Aditya Ghosh resigned as the President & whole-time director of IndiGo & will leave the company by 31 July 2018. While Interglobe Chairman Rahul Bhatia has been appointed as the interim CEO of the company, Greg Taylor will be appointed as president & CEO of the company.
- Haryana government has appointed international shooter Gauri Sheoran the brand ambassador for its two health-related programmes. It was announced by Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar at the launch of the measles-rubella (MR) vaccination campaign.
- Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Chamling became the longest-serving Chief Minister in India, surpassing the record of Jyoti Basu, who served as West Bengal CM from 1977 to 2000. He became the Chief Minister in December 1994 & belongs to the Sikkim Democratic Front.
- The board of directors of Kotak Mahindra Bank has redesignated Uday Kotak as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer.
- Jammu & Kashmir Assembly speaker Kavinder Gupta has been appointed as the Deputy- CM of the state. He will be the new deputy chief minister in place of Nirmal Singh.

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- BJP leaders Ganeshi Lal and Kummanam Rajasekharan were appointed as Governors of Odisha and Mizoram,



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respectively. Bihar Governor Satya Pal Malik had been given additional charge of Odisha. The President appointed Kerala BJP chief Kummanam Rajasekharan as the Governor of Mizoram.

- The Caribbean island of Barbados has elected Mia Mottley as its first female Prime Minister since gaining independence from the UK in 1966.
- Former Pakistan Chief Justice Nasirul Mulk was appointed as the interim Prime Minister of the country until the general elections are held on July 25.
- Indian American Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal's sister Susheela Jayapal became the first South Asian to be elected in Oregon in the western US State.
- The President of India has appointed Uttam Pacharne, as regular Chairman of Lalit Kala Akademi. Mr Pacharne is an eminent artist and sculptor.
- The U.S India Business Council named Ambika Sharma as its head for India.
- US Senate confirmed Gina Haspel as the first female director of Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).
- BS Yeddyurappa resigned 55 hours after taking oath as the Karnataka CM, ahead of the floor test. BJP, with 104 seats, was seven short of the required number of 111.
- Venezuela's President Nicolas Maduro was reelected for a second six-year term in presidential elections, according to the National Electoral Council (CNE).
- AAC approved the appointment of Mahanadi Coalfields chief Anil Kumar Jha as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India.
- New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) has promoted Stacey Cunningham to President, making her the first sole woman head of the 226-year-old exchange.
- State-run power equipment maker Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL) has appointed Pravin L. Agrawal as a part-time official director on its board.
- The JD(S)-Congress coalition government head HD Kumaraswamy was sworn-in as the New Chief Minister of Karnataka. Governor Vajubhai Vala administered the oath of office and secrecy to Kumaraswamy. Congress Leader G. Parameshwara was sworn in as Deputy Chief Minister.
- Airtel Payments Bank has appointed Anubrata Biswas as its Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer. Biswas fills the position, which was lying vacant since end-December, after Shashi Arora quit the post.
- NSDL executive Sudha Balakrishnan has been appointed the first-ever chief financial officer (CFO) of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). She will be the 12th executive director of the RBI and will have a three-year term.
- Paraguay gets first interim woman President Alicia Pucheta for the first time in its history after outgoing leader Horacio Cartes stepped down ahead of schedule.
- Justice R.K. Agrawal has been appointed as the President of the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC). He has replaced Justice D.K. Jain, who retired recently.
- Hockey India appointed Harendra Singh as coach of India's men's team, while Sjoerd Marijne will take over as chief coach of women's side.

- WhatsApp Co-founder & CEO Jan Koum announced his resignation from the parent company Facebook. This comes shortly after a report claimed Koum would leave due to disagreements over data privacy & weakening encryption.
- Mr Sitanshu Ranjan Kar (1983 batch officer of Indian Information Service) took over as the 27th Principal Spokesperson of the Government of India & Director General of Press Information Bureau in New Delhi. He succeeds Mr Frank Noronha.
- Former Australian cricketer Justin Langer has been appointed as Australian cricket team's head coach for all three formats. Langer replaces Darren Lehmann.
- ICICI Bank's board appointed Radhakrishnan Nair as an additional (independent) director of the bank for five years.
- Subhash Chandra Khuntia, a 1981-batch Indian Administrative Services (IAS) officer has been appointed as Chairman of Insurance Regulatory & Development Authority of India (IRDAI). He is appointed for a period of three years.
- Vladimir Putin was sworn-in as the President of Russia for the fourth time, renewing another six-year term in office. He won the presidential elections with over 76% of the votes.
- Facebook has announced that the company's Vice President of Product Chris Daniels will be taking over Whatsapp after Co-founder Jan Koum announced his departure, recently.
- Armenia's parliament elected Nikol Pashinyan as a new PM in a 59-42 vote. His election comes after Serzh Sargsyan's resignation as PM of Armenia.
- Google had appointed Nitin Bawankule as the country head for its cloud business in India, as the search giant looks at taking a larger share of the booming demand for those services in the country.
- Carlos Alvarado was sworn in as the new President of Costa Rica. Alvarado swept to victory against conservative Protestant singer Fabricio Alvarado Munoz. At 39, Alvarado is the country's youngest president in modern history.
- Mahathir Mohamad was sworn in as PM of Malaysia. He took the oath at the Istana Negara Palace in Kuala Lumpur. He has replaced Najib Razak.
- Former BCCI President Shashank Manohar will serve a second two-year term as the independent chairman of the International Cricket Council after he was elected unopposed by the governing body's Board.
- ✓ **Note:**The head office of IRDAI is in Hyderabad.
- ✓ Odisha CM- Naveen Patnaik, Mizoram CM- Lal Thanhawla.

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- SBI managing director B Sriram has **resigned from the country's largest lender** after his appointment as chief executive of IDBI Bank.
- **Pakistan's National Security Advisor** Nasser Khan Janjua resigned from his post.

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- Senior bureaucrat **S Ramesh appointed as chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC)**, the apex policy-making body for indirect taxes. He succeeded Vanaja N Sarna.
- **Turkey's long-standing leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan** won a new five-year term after securing outright victory in the first round of a presidential poll.
- Govt. appointed **Arjit Basu as Managing Director of the country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI)**. He will fill the position that fell vacant following the elevation of Rajnish Kumar as the chairman. Now, after this, the SBI will have four managing directors. As per the SBI Act, the bank can have four managing directors.
- State Bank of India's (SBI) Managing Director **B Sriram was appointed as the IDBI Bank's CEO & Managing Director** for a temporary period of three months.
- **Chief Economic Advisor (CEA) of India, Arvind Subramanian had resigned from the post & will return to the US** because of "pressing family commitments".
- Arvind Saxena has been appointed to serve as the acting **Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)**.
- **Dr. Inderjit Singh assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Coal at Shastri Bhawan office, New Delhi.**
- **An Indian-American woman, Dhivya Suryadevara named the Chief Finance Officer of the US' largest automaker, General Motors. He will succeed Chuck Stevens.**
- Former **World Bank Economist Omar al-Razzaz was sworn in as Jordan's PM** after King Abdullah issued a decree approving the new government. He succeeded Hani al-Mulki.
- **Giorgi Kvirikashvili, PM of Georgia, has announced his resignation** amid a disagreement with Bidzina Ivanishvili, the leader of the ruling party.
- **Colombia has chosen Ivan Duque** to be its next president after a long & divisive campaign. He will be Colombia's youngest ever President. He will replace Juan Manuel Santos.
- **Jammu & Kashmir's CM Mehbooba Mufti submitted her resignation to the Governor** after BJP announced to pull out of an alliance with Peoples Democratic Party (PDP). BJP's General Secretary Ram Madhav also called for Governor's rule in Jammu & Kashmir.
- **ICICI Bank board has appointed ICICI Prudential Life Insurance CEO Sandeep Bakhshi as whole-time director & chief operating officer (COO)**, creating a new top position at India's second largest private bank.
- **N.S. Kannan has been appointed as CEO of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance** for five years.
- An IAS officer **Amit Khare assumed charge as Secretary in the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting** on superannuation of Narendra Kumar Sinha.
- **Giuseppe Conte sworn in as PM of Italy's** new populist government.
- Former **NIA chief Sharad Kumar has appointed vigilance commissioner** in the probity watchdog CVC.
- President Ram Nath Kovind gave **West Bengal Governor Keshari Nath Tripathi additional charge of Tripura Governor**, during the absence on leave of Tathagata Roy.
- **Spanish Socialist Pedro Sanchez has been sworn in as the country's new PM** by King Felipe. He has replaced Mariano Rajoy.
- In Egypt, **President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi was sworn in for a second four-year term in office** as the country faces major economic & security challenges. Sisi won 97% of valid votes in the March presidential election.
- The Centre has **appointed MK Jain, Managing Director, & CEO of IDBI Bank, as the RBI's Deputy Governor**. Jain will fill a position that had been lying vacant since August 2017 after the retirement of SS Mundra.

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- Tata AIA Life announced that its board has appointed Rishi Srivastava as the new chief executive officer and managing director.
- The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) announced the appointment of Surendra Roshia as Chief Executive Officer for HSBC India, subject to regulatory approvals.
- Paytm Payments Bank CEO Renu Satti has resigned from the role and will now head Paytm's new retail initiative.
- Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador has been elected as Mexico's President with over 53% of the vote, according to the country's electoral commission.
- Chennai-based United India Insurance Company announced the appointment of K B Vijay Srinivas as its Director and General Manager.
- Senior bureaucrat Saraswati Prasad has taken over the additional charge as chairman and managing director of steel PSU Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL). Mr Prasad succeeds P K Singh who retired recently.
- P K Shrivastava took over the reins of the Ordnance Factory Board as its new Director General and Chairman.



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- Payments Council of India (PCI), an apex body representing the companies in the payments and settlement system, has announced the appointment of Vishwas Patel, CEO of Infibeam Avenues, as its new chairman. It has also announced the appointment of Loney Antony, Managing Director, Hitachi Payment Services, as its new co-chairman.
 - Uttam Dhillon, an Indian-American top White House lawyer, has been appointed as the new head of the crucial Drug Enforcement Agency that combats the smuggling and use of narcotics in the US.
 - UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres appointed a veteran Uruguayan Army official Major General José Eladio Alcain as head of the United Nations mission tasked with monitoring the ceasefire line between India and Pakistan. He will succeed Major General Per Gustaf Lodin of Sweden.
 - Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel, who retired from the Supreme Court of India has been appointed as the new Chairperson of the National Green Tribunal (NGT).
 - Brexit Secretary David Davis has resigned from the UK government.
 - Dr. Sandeep Sancheti, Vice Chancellor of SRM Institute of Science and Technology (SRMIST) has assumed charge as the 97th President of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi.
 - British PM Theresa May appointed Jeremy Hunt as Foreign Secretary. This appointment has come after Boris Johnson resigned.
 - VP, India and the President of Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), M. Venkaiah Naidu has appointed Dr. T.C.A. Raghavan as the Director General, ex officio Member-Secretary of the Council, ICWA.
 - Haryana Governor Kaptan Singh Solanki was given the additional charge of Himachal Pradesh by President Ram Nath Kovind.
 - Bhushan Steel has approved the appointment of TV Narendran as Chairman and Non-Executive Additional Director of the company.
 - Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) president Brij Bhushan Saran Singh is set to be named the Chef de Mission of the Asian Games-bound Indian contingent. The four deputy Chefs de Mission are BS Kushwaha, RK Sacheti, DK Singh & Colonel RK Swain.
- New Appointments (National & International) - August**
- Balesh Sharma takes over as Vodafone Idea's first CEO. He was the Chief Operating Officer of Vodafone India and a member of its executive committee.
 - Veteran Indian development economist Satya S Tripathi has been appointed as the Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) by UN Chief Antonio Guterres. He will replace Elliott Harris.
 - The Centre appointed renowned scientist, Dr G Sathesh Reddy, as Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Secretary in Department of Defence Research & Development (DDR&D).
 - Industry chamber ASSOCHAM appointed former bureaucrat Uday Kumar Varma as its new Secretary General. He succeeds DS Rawat who held the position for nearly 14 years.
 - Union Minister Arun Jaitley is back as the Finance Minister after a three-month interval to recuperate from a kidney transplant surgery.
 - Film actor Shri Akshay Kumar appointed as the Road Safety Brand Ambassador.
 - IAS officer K S Srinivas has taken over as Chairman of Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA).
 - Malian President Ibrahim Boubacar Keita has been re-elected for a five-year term after winning a landslide in a runoff ballot.
 - Colorado Party's Mario Abdo Benitez was sworn in as the new President of Paraguay for a five-year term.
 - Cricketer-turned-politician Imran Khan took oath as Pakistan's new prime minister.
 - Infosys Chief Financial Officer MD Ranganath, a veteran of nearly two decades at India's second-largest software services company, has abruptly stepped down from his position.
 - Subhash Sheoratan Mundra has been appointed as Independent Director on the Board of Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd (IBHFL) for a period of three years. He was former Deputy Governor of RBI.
 - Supreme Court will have three serving women judges for the first time, after the Centre cleared the elevation of Madras High Court Chief Justice Indira Banerjee. The other two judges are R Banumathi, appointed in August 2014, and Indu Malhotra, appointed in April 2018.
 - PepsiCo CEO Indra Nooyi will step down in October after serving for 12 years as the top boss at the global beverage giant, PepsiCo. She will be succeeded by company President Ramon Laguarta.
 - Zimbabwe President Emmerson Mnangagwa narrowly won the country's landmark election in Zimbabwe. He is a former ally of Robert Mugabe.
 - Farm and construction equipment maker Escorts appointed Nikhil Nanda as the chairman and managing director (MD) of the company.
 - The nominating committee of Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) has selected Ajay Data, Founder & CEO of Data XGen Plus and a global leader in email linguistic services, as a new council member of Country Code Supporting Organisation (ccNSO).
 - Public sector non-life insurance firm United India Insurance Company announced the appointment of S Gopakumar as its Director and General Manager with immediate effect.
 - Justice Rajendra Menon was sworn in as the new Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court by Lt Governor Anil Bajjal at a ceremony held at the Raj Niwas in New Delhi.
 - NDA candidate Harivansh Narayan Singh was elected the Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman with 125 votes. The

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Opposition candidate BK Hariprasad managed to get 105 votes.

- Ivan Duque was sworn in as the newly elected President of Colombia. He pledged to unite the country and improve economic growth.
- United Nations announced that UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has chosen former Chilean President Michelle Bachelet to be the UN's new human rights chief.
- Smt. Justice Manjula Chellur took Oath as Chairperson, Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, Ministry of Power.

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- Ambassador of India to Myanmar, Vikram Misri has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to China.
- Technology giant Google has appointed its privacy lawyer, Keith Enright, as Chief Privacy Officer.
- Opposition leader Ibrahim Mohamed Solih won the Maldives' presidential election, a surprise defeat for President Abdulla Yameen.
- Renowned scientist Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas has been appointed the secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy & chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.
- Tajinder Mukherjee has taken over as the Chairman & Managing Director of National Insurance Company Limited (NICL).
- Actors Varun Dhawan & Anushka Sharma have been signed on to promote & endorse the Skill India Mission, chaired by PM Narendra Modi.
- Moutaz Mousa Abdallah has become Sudan's new PM.
- President of India has appointed Justice Ranjan Gogoi as the next (46th) Chief Justice of India. He will assume the office of Chief Justice on 3rd October, 2018 after the retirement of the current Chief Justice, Justice Dipak Misra.
- HDFC Life appointed Vibha Padalkar as its new managing director & CEO for a period of three years.
- Binoy Kumar has taken over as Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India.
- WPP Plc, the world's largest communication services group, announced the appointment of Mark Read as the

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) & Executive Director (ED) to the company's board with immediate effect. He replaced Martin Sorrell.

- India retained the top WHO position in South-East Asia Region with Dr Poonam Khetrpal Singh unanimously re-elected as Regional Director for another five-year term beginning February 2019.
- Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) roped in Indian boxer MC Mary Kom as its brand ambassador for two years.
- State Bank of India (SBI) has appointed Anshula Kant as Managing Director of the Bank. She has been appointed to the post for 2 years. With this appointment, SBI now has four MDs - PK Gupta, DK Khara & Arijit Basu.
- Axis Bank announced that Amitabh Chaudhry has been appointed as its managing director & CEO from January 1, 2019, for a period of three years. Mr. Chaudhry, the MD & CEO of HDFC Standard Life Insurance Company at present.