

# Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas

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## PRESS RELEASE



- Sh. Rajesh Verma, an officer of the 1987 batch of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Odisha Cadre, has taken charge today as the new full-time Chairperson of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas (CAQM);
- Sh. Verma brings with him to the Commission over three and half decades of experience and expertise in public administration and governance;
- Sh. Verma has an extensive experience of working in different departments of the Central and State Governments including President's Secretariat; Ministry of Corporate Affairs; Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Ministry of Power; Rural Electrification Corporation Ltd. (REC), New Delhi; Departments of Education, Steel & Mines, Agriculture and Energy under Govt. of Odisha; Industrial Development Corporations under Govt. of Odisha and Govt. of Rajasthan; etc., such organisations/ departments also being the key stakeholders to addressing the issue of air pollution;
- Prior to his superannuation on August 31, 2024, Sh. Verma served as the Secretary to the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu;
- Sh. Verma has been appointed for a period of three (03) years from the date of assumption of charge, or until further orders, whichever is earlier;
- Sh. Rajesh Verma succeeds Dr. M.M. Kutty, who successfully completed his tenure as the full-time Chairperson of CAQM after leading the Commission for three years.

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