

Centre Extends TN Chief Secretary Sai Kumar's Service

Union government approved Tamil Nadu's proposal to extend Chief Secretary M. Sai Kumar's service by six months.

The Chief Secretary is the highest-ranking administrative officer in the state government, heading the state bureaucracy.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The **Union government** approved the extension of **Tamil Nadu Chief Secretary M. Sai Kumar's** service.
- The extension is for **six months**, delaying his retirement until **February 2027**.
- **M. Sai Kumar** is a **1990-batch Tamil Nadu cadre IAS officer**.
- He was originally due to retire in **August 2026**.
- The **Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India**, approved the proposal.
- The extension is effective from **September 1, 2026**, to **February 28, 2027**.
- The extension was granted under **Rule 16(1)** of the **All India Services (Death-cum-Retirement Benefits) Rules**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **Chief Secretary** is the **administrative head** of the **state government**.

The **Chief Secretary** is appointed by the **Chief Minister** of the respective state.

The **Chief Secretary** usually holds the rank of **Additional Secretary** or **Secretary to the Government of India**.

The **All India Services (Death-cum-Retirement Benefits) Rules** govern the service conditions of **IAS officers**.

Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officers are recruited through the **Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) Civil Services Examination**.

The **Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT)** functions under the **Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions**.

The **Chief Secretary** serves as the **principal advisor** to the **Chief Minister** on all administrative matters.

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