Bhawesh Kumar Singh

State Chief Information Commissioner, Uttar Pradesh

Shri Bhawesh Kumar Singh took oath as the State Chief Information Commissioner of Uttar Pradesh on 6th February, 2021. He worked as Chief of Intelligence Department of UP Police as Director General from August 2017 to January 2020 and earlier as Additional Director General from April 2017 to July 2017. In an illustrious career spanning more than 33 years in the Indian Police Service, Mr. Singh headed several sensitive and important assignments in the State as well as the Centre. Apart from heading the Intelligence and Security Departments of Uttar Pradesh for a span of more than three years, he headed the vigilance apparatus of Pawan Hans Helicopter Limited as CVO for five years. In addition, Mr. Singh held key postings in the State in DGP HQ, PAC establishment and was district police chief of highly sensitive districts of Kanpur Nagar, Bareilly and Moradabad. Earlier he earned laurels for the state police by successfully conducting Kumbh Mela in 1998 as SSP Haridwar.

Mr. Singh holds an engineering degree in Mechanical Engineering and was selected in the Indian Police Service in 1987. He has expertise in the fields of Management, Law, Administration and Science.

Mr Singh was awarded President's Medal for Meritorious Service on the occasion of Republic Day - 2005 and President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service on the occasion of Independence Day - 2012 by Hon'ble president of India.

Chronological Summary of positions held with highlights:

Took oath and assumed charge of the post of State Chief Information Commissioner of Uttar Pradesh on 6th February, 2021.

Director General, Intelligence Department UP Police. (August 2017 to January 2020)

Additional Director General, Intelligence Department UP Police. (April 2017 to July 2017)

As head of the Intelligence Department of the State he supervised the coverage of all communal, Naxal, Nepal border activities of the state as well as those relating to anti-national elements and those affecting law and order of the state. Under his able guidance such information was swiftly conveyed to the government and related departments due to which there was no major law and order problem in the State in this duration.

Additional Director General, Security Department, UP Police (November 2016 to April 2017)

Inspector General of Police, Security Department, UP Police (February 2013 to March 2013)

In these postings foolproof security of Honourable Governor and Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh along with other VIPs in various categories of security and vital installations identified by Intelligence Bureau was ensured. During state assembly elections of 2017, all functions of Honourable Prime Minister, India and other VIPs were organized successfully.

Additional Director General, Karmik Director General of Police Headquarters, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow (December 2013 to November 2016)

As head of State Police Karmik (Personnel) Department, cadre management of personnel of all cadres from class four employees, constables to IPS (GOs and Non-GOs) was supervised. In these 03 years, after amending the old recruitment manuals of different cadres, new rules were promulgated after the approval of the government. The non-gazetted personnel cadre of the Police Department was reconstituted to make it officer-oriented. Timely promotions in all cadres were ensured.

Additional Director General, Technical Services, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow (September 2013 to December 2013)

In this short period, the process of setting up a Forensic Science laboratory at all the Zonal Headquarters of UP and implementation of CCTNS methodology was expedited.

Additional Director General/ Inspector General of Police, Meerut. (March 2013 to August 2013)

With Delhi NCR being the border area and ultra-sensitive due to communal and criminal perspective, 02 ranges and 09 districts of Meerut Zone were effectively supervised. There were no significant communal incidents in the Meerut zone during this period and crime remained under control. After giving proper guidance to the 09 district Police Chiefs and 02 Range in-charge of the zone, the problems of the public were listened to promptly, effective steps were taken to stop the crime and the crimes committed were worked out quickly.

Inspector General of Police, Agra Zone, Agra. (August 12 to February 2013)

Inspector General of Police, Gorakhpur Zone, Gorakhpur. (April 12 to August 2012)

Agra zone and Gorakhpur zone are sensitive due to communal, criminal, tourist, religious activities. Gorakhpur zone is also sensitive to due to the border activities at Nepal Border. During this period, no significant communal incidents took place in Agra and Gorakhpur zones under supervision and crime remained under control. Due to proper guidance to the 08 District Chiefs and 02 Range In-charges of Agra zone and 11 District Police Chief and 03 Range in-Charges of Gorakhpur Zone, the problems of the public were listened to promptly, effective steps were taken to prevent crime and investigations of the crimes committed were completed in stipulated time.

Inspector General of Police (Law and Order) Director General of Police Headquarters, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow (October 2011 to March 2012)

During this tenure, acting as the Staff Officer of Director General of Police, supervised the law and order situation of the State. During this time, the elections to the UP Vidhan Sabha held in the year 2012. For the elections to the UP Vidhan Sabha, compliance of all the instructions of the Election Commission of India was ensured. Administration and effective allocation and movement of hundreds of companies of paramilitary forces, all the companies of PAC and forces of State police and branches of the district and other units allocated to the state for election duty held at different stages was ensured. As a result, in the year 2012, Vidhan Sabha elections were conducted in a peaceful and fair manner without any untoward incident.

Adequate additional police force was made available to the district police for carrying out all the festivals, fairs etc. in the state during this period.

Inspector General of Police P.A.C. Central Zone Lucknow

(February 2011 to October 2011)

During this tenure, Mr Singh supervised 10 Battalions and 02 regions of PAC (Lucknow and Ayodhya). An attempt was made to overcome the difficulties faced by the continuous deployment of PAC companies. Necessary facilities were provided to the jawans at the deployment site and at the Battalion Headquarters. A system of promptly resolving the personal problems of the constables was implemented. The Region and Battalion in-charges were given appropriate guidance and motivated to resolve the duty related and personal problems of the jawans.

Inspector General of Police Police Promotion and Recruitment Board,

(December 2010 to February 2011)

Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow

The process of promotion to all the posts from the constable to the inspector of U.P. Police was ensured as much as possible in the short time available. Petitions filed in various courts and authorities related to promotions were properly monitored.

Chief Vigilance Officer Pawan Hans Helicopter Limited, Government of India, New Delhi. (September 2005 to December 2010)

At the Chief Vigilance Officer of Pawan Hans Helicopter Limited, the main task was to help the head of the organization in all vigilance matters. All the vigilance cases in the above organization are divided into preventive and punitive categories. The Chief Vigilance Officer's main responsibility is to strengthen the preventive vigilance system and bring the opportunities for corruption and other misconduct to a low level, highlighting the cases that occur and effectively investigate them.

This task included investigating all complaints, periodic inspections, obtaining corrupt conduct information from trusted sources, supervising disciplinary proceedings and helping the organization's administration to take action against the guilty employees. Apart from this, monitoring the employees of suspicious integrity and creating awareness about honesty, supervision and disposal of all cases and checking the annual property details of the employees were implemented.

Deputy Inspector General of Police P.A.C. Headquarters, Lucknow.

(February 2004 to September 2005)

Superintendent of Police/ Assistant to Inspector General of Police P.A.C. Headquarters, Lucknow. (February 2003 to February 2004)

In this posting, Mr Singh mainly worked as the Staff Officer of Director General of Police/Additional Director General of Police, P.A.C. Effective deployment of all companies in the entire state was ensured. Several circulars on behalf of Director General of Police/Additional Director General of Police, P.A.C. regarding effective supervision of PAC battalions and improving the work of PAC were prepared and presented before the chief of PAC. During this duration, work of the Establishment Branch of the P.A.C. headquarters was also supervised.

Superintendent of Police

(May 2002 to February 2003)

C.B.C.I.D.

Lucknow.

During this period, Varanasi sector of C.B. CID was supervised in which most of the investigations into important crimes allotted by the government were disposed.

Senior Superintendent of Police

(August 2001 to May 2002)

Kanpur City

Kanpur city is a metropolitan city and divisional headquarters and is highly sensitive from the point of view of communal, criminal and industrial activities. Problems of the public were resolved by hearing them in their presence and subordinates. There was no significant communal incident in the district during this period and crime situation was under control. All the festivals and programs of all VVIPs were conducted successfully in the district. During the period, as district police chief, effective steps were taken to prevent crime and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. By making the functioning of district police transparent, public support was obtained in the functioning of the police and public confidence in the police was increased.

Senior Superintendent of Police/ Bareilly

(July 2000 to August 2001)

Bareilly district being the Range headquarters is very sensitive from the point of view of communal, criminal activities. During this period, effective steps were taken to prevent crime as District Police Chief and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. There was no significant communal incident in the district during this period and crime situation was under control. All the festivals and programs in the district were completed successfully. By making the functioning of the district police transparent, public support was obtained in the functioning of the police and public confidence in the police was increased.

Senior Superintendent of Police Moradabad

(May 1998 to July 2000)

Moradabad district has always been highly sensitive from communal point of view. During this period, as district police chief, effective steps were taken to maintain mutual harmony between the two communities and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. Problems of the public were resolved by hearing them in the presence of themselves and subordinate. During this period no significant communal incident occurred in the district and crime situation was kept under control. All the festivals/programs in the district were completed successfully. By making the functioning of district police transparent, the public supported the functioning of the police and public confidence in the police was increased.

Senior Superintendent of Police Kumbh-Mela, Haridwar

(April 1997 to May 1998)

All Police arrangements were ensured for organizing Kumbh-Mela as Senior Superintendent of Police, Kumbh-Mela, Haridwar. During the Kumbh held in Haridwar in the year 1986, 47 devotees had died in a stampede. In the context of this incident, the crowd control work was highly challenging and complicated task as very less space at Haridawar, Kumbh-Mela venue is available for the huge crowd of devotees. Planning of crowd management under close supervision and proper implementation and effective coordination with all the major saints, akhara chiefs, administration and various departments was established. Organizing Kumbh- Mela (about 10 crore devotees took bath) was successfully carried out without any accident. On the successful organization of the Kumbh-Meal, Mr Singh was honoured with a citation by Mr. Kalyan Singh, the then Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh.

Commandant, (April 1997)

40th Battalion, PAC

Duties of Commandant, 40th Battalion, PAC, Haridwar were discharged for one month along with the charge of Senior Superintendent of Police, Kumbh-Mela Haridwar. Acting as a commandant, PAC, Haridwar, efforts were made to overcome the difficulties in the deployment of companies of PAC and the men were provided necessary facilities at the deployment site and at the battalion headquarters. The personal problems of the soldiers were resolved promptly.

Senior Superintendent of Police Mathura.

(July 1996 to March 1997)

District Mathura is highly sensitive from religious point of view. Proper security management of Lord Krishna's birthplace and Shahi Idgah was ensured. All the festivals of Mathura are highly crowded which include people from surrounding areas and districts. During this period all the festivals were celebrated successfully. Effective steps were taken to prevent crime as district police chief and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. During this period no significant communal incident took place in the district and crime situation remained under control. By making the functioning of district police transparent, public support was obtained in the functioning of the police and public confidence in the police was increased.

Superintendent of Police, Vigilance Head Quarters, Lucknow. (July 1995 to February 1996)

During this period, working as the head of office of the Vigilance Headquarters, supervised the work of the Establishment Branch. Investigations entrusted by the Uttar Pradesh government were allotted to the concerned as per rules and all the required responsibilities were discharged.

Superintendent of Police

(April 1993 to July 1995)

Mau.

District Mau is very sensitive from communal, criminal perspective. Many mafia gangs were active in the district. During this period, effective steps were taken to prevent crime as district police chief and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. Problems of the public were resolved by hearing them in the presence of themselves and subordinates. No significant communal incident took place in the district and all the festivals/programs were conducted successfully. By making the functioning of district police transparent, cooperation in the functioning of the police was obtained and public confidence in the police was increased.

Superintendent of Police, City Aligarh

(August 1991 to April 1993)

Aligarh city is highly sensitive due to historical reasons and criminal, industrial and communal activities especially with Aligarh Muslim University being located in the district. During this tenure as Superintendent of Police, Aligarh City, all police functions of Aligarh city were supervised. After the demolition of the disputed Babri Masjid in December 1992, communal riots took place in many places across the State and the country, but no communal incidents took place in Aligarh city during this period

and communal harmony persisted. Effective steps were taken to stop crime during this period and the crimes committed were investigated under close supervision. At the same time, student activities were fully controlled by coordinating with the students of Aligarh Muslim University and it was ensured that campus remained peaceful.

Education

Bachelor of Science Engineering (Mechanical) from Regional Institute of Technology, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.

Personal

Born in January 1960 in Supaul, Bihar, Mr Singh is married to Mrs Ruby Singh who has done History (Hons.) from Ranchi University and is a home-maker. Mr and Mrs Singh have two adult children - Garima and Garvit.

Garima has done her graduation in Information Technology Engineering and MBA from Georgetown University. She works with Citibank.

Garima is married to Shashwat Pandey who has done graduation in Mechanical Engineering and MBA from Georgetown University. He works with Wayfair Ltd., Boston.

Garvit has done his graduation in Electronics and Communication engineering and MS in Electrical Engineering from Columbia University, New York. He works with Amazon.

Garvit is married to Radhika who is a graduate and works as interior designer.