

BIO-DATA OF LT. GEN. RAJ SHUKLA, PVSM, YSM, SM (RETD.) MEMBER, UNION PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In a career spanning over four decades in the Indian Army, the officer has seen extensive service in the field - he commanded, an Infantry Brigade in Counter Insurgency Operations, the Baramulla Division along the Line of Control in the Kashmir Valley and a Pivot Corps along the Western Borders.

An alumni of the Defence Services Staff College - Wellington, the College of Defence Management - Secunderabad and the National Defence College - New Delhi, the General Officer has served two tenures at the Military Operations Directorate dealing with Doctrines / Force Structuring and was the Director General, Perspective Planning, addressing issues relating to Military Futures and Force Modernisation. He has also been Commandant of the Indian Army's prestigious training establishment and think tank - the Army War College.

A professional aviator and powerful orator, General Shukla has an abiding interest in strategic - military affairs. He has authored close to 70 articles / publications and lectured / participated in more than 180 talks / seminars in India and abroad.

As the 22nd General Officer Commanding-In-Chief – Army Commander – of the Indian Army's Training Command (ARTRAC), the officer made noteworthy contributions to the development of India's Strategic – Military Futures, Technological Innovation, Professional Military Education, Capacity Building, Operational Poise and Civil – Military Fusion.

In recognition of his service of the most exceptional order, the officer was awarded the Param Vishisht Seva Medal on Republic Day 2021.

The Honourable President was pleased to appoint Lt. Gen. Raj Shukla to the office of 'Member UPSC,' w.e.f. 18th July, 2022.