



# Government to announce Governors shortly

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*UPA is ready to announce the names of a few governors where the term of the serving governors is about to expire.*

PR9.NET January 27, 2007 - New Delhi: The UPA government is all set to announce the names of few governors shortly to fill the offices lying vacant in some states or where the terms of the present Governor has expired.

Currently, states like Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Chhattisgarh and Andaman Nicobar are not having a full fledged Governor. The Governors of adjoining states have been given the charge. The terms of the Governors of Meghalaya M M Jacob has already over and the Tamil Nadu Governor Surjeet Singh Barnala's term is about to over. Besides, Lt. Governor of Delhi B L Joshi is ailing and on long leave. The Governor of Harayana is officiating in his absence.

The names of the probables were reportedly cleared by the Cabinet Committee on Appointment later last week. The Prime Minister Man Mohan Singh is expected to send the list to the President APJ Abdul Kalam after formally discussing the names with the Congress President and UPA Chairperson Sonia Gandhi on Wednesday.

The outgoing chief of the Intelligence Bureau E S Laxminarsimhan has been tipped off as Governor of BJP-ruled Chhattisgarh. Interestingly, his appointment was sought none other than the chief minister Raman Singh, as the state is marred with Maoist violence that has killed several hundred of policemen and tribals. Laxminarsimhan has an expertise in counter insurgency.

Similarly, former minister of Kerala K Shankarnaryanan is likely to be appointed as Governor of North-Eastern state of Nagaland.

The government has shortlisted senior Congress leader Mohsina Kidwai's name as Governor of Andhra Pradesh where the post is lying vacant after Sushil Kumar Shinde moved to Centre as power minister.

Senior Congress leader from Rajasthan Ramnivas Mirdha's is expected to sent to Bangalore as Governor and a senior bureaucrat may replace the B L Joshi as Lt. Governor. A top government functionary said the exercise has almost been completed and names might be out either before Republic Day or at the month-end.

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