

# IAS officer Punamchand Parmar retires from service

*Gandhinagar:* Punamchand Parmar, a Gujarat cadre IAS officer of the 1985 batch, retired from the service on Friday.

An additional chief secretary, Parmar was posted with the Agriculture, Farmers Welfare and Cooperation Department of the Gujarat government.

Secretary in the same de-

partment, Manish Bhardwaj, an IAS officer of 1997 batch, has been given additional charge of the post that has fallen vacant following Parmar's retirement.

Following Parmar's retirement, speculations were rife in the secretariat whether he would get any post-retirement appointment in the government. **ENS**