

## Dr Renu Swarup takes additional charge as DST Secretary

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### The appointment begins with immediate effect



The government has approved assignment of additional charge of the post of Secretary, Department of Science & Technology (DST) to Dr Renu Swarup, currently serving as the Secretary, Department of Biotechnology (DBT) with immediate effect and till appointment of a regular incumbent or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

She recently received an extension in her tenure of DBT Secretary for a period of six months beyond 30.04.2021 i.e. upto 31.10. 2021, until further orders.

She has served in the Department of Biotechnology for nearly 29 years and was holding the position of Senior Advisor/Scientist 'H' till she was appointed a Secretary to Government of India on 10th April, 2018.

A PhD in Genetics and Plant Breeding, Dr Renu Swarup has also been closely involved in programmes and activities related to Women and Science. She was responsible for getting implemented the DBT Scheme on Biotechnology Career Advancement for Women Scientists – Bio CARE. She was also a member of the Task Force on Women in Science constituted by the Scientific Advisory Committee to the Prime Minister.