

# First woman Director General

## of Police of Maharashtra



### Why in news ?

- **The Maharashtra government appointed 1988 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer Rashmi Shukla as Director General of Police.**

### Important Point

- She has become the first woman police officer to hold the top police post in the state.
- This 1988 batch IPS officer had earlier worked in Sashastra Seema Bal on central deputation.
- She will take over the seat of 53-year-old Rajneesh Seth, who retired as DGP on December 31, 2023.
- It is noteworthy that Mumbai Police Commissioner Vivek Phansalkar had temporarily taken additional charge till Rashmi Shukla took charge.
- Rashmi Shukla will hold the post till her retirement in July 2024.



### Rashmi Shukla's background

- Rashmi Shukla was appointed Director General of Sashastra Seema Bal, a central armed police force that guards the India-China border, in March 2023.
- It is noteworthy that Sashastra Seema Bal was established in 1963 after the India-China war.
- Earlier, She was appointed as the Additional Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) in February 2021.
- Rashmi Shukla was awarded the President's Police Medal for Meritorious Service in 2005.
- She has also served as Police Commissioner in Pune