

Reconstitution of Atomic Energy Commission

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The government has recently reconstituted the **Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)**.

- Ajit Kumar Mohanty, Secretary, <u>Department of Atomic Energy (DAE)</u>, is the Chairman of the AEC and <u>National Security Adviser</u> Ajit Doval is among the key members.
- About Atomic Energy Commission (AEC): AEC was first established in August 1948 to oversee atomic energy research under the Department of Scientific Research.
 - In 1958, the AEC was restructured within the DAE, and set up in 1954, under the direct charge of the Prime Minister.
 - The Secretary of the DAE serves as the ex-officio Chairman of the Commission, with other members appointed annually upon Prime Ministerial approval.
 - The AEC formulates policies to promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy, empowering India through advancements in nuclear technology, healthcare, food security, and energy independence.

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