



Mr Jayant Kumar Banthia
Former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Maharashtra

Shri Jayant Kumar Banthia is a 1977 batch, IAS Officer who served as the Former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Maharashtra. He acquired a Master's Degree in Chemistry from Kanpur University and in Demography from London School of Economics. Prior to taking over as Chief Secretary to Government of Maharashtra, he was the Additional Chief Secretary in the Public Health Department, Government of Maharashtra.

As Chief Secretary, Mr Banthia activated the Mumbai First group, a PPP of the top Corporates of Mumbai and the Govt. of Maharashtra / Govt. of India officials, for revival/ pushing through several innovative infra-structure projects of water ways, Metro and Mono Rail, New Railway Station at Panvel, resolution of issues regarding renovation of Mumbai International Airport, flyovers and arterial roads, the Sion Thane Creek Bridge, Churchgate Virar Elevated Corridor on the Western railway, National Highway Authorities, etc.

Shri Banthia has also served in United Nations (UN) on deputation to Nigeria as the Chief Technical Adviser to the United Nation Population Fund (UNFPA) for over four years. He was the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India from 1999 to 2004 and has been instrumental in rolling out the 2001 Census. While serving in the Maharashtra state, he held several important positions like Assistant Collector, Osmanabad and Beed, Chief Executive Officer Z.P. Wardha, Collector Nagpur and Bhandara, and Managing Director, Maharashtra State Textile Corporation.