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NEW DELHI, November 28: Mr. A. K. Chanda, former Comptroller and Auditor-General, is likely to be appointed Chairman of the Finance Commission in place of Mr. G. L. Mehta, who has expressed his inability to take up the work on grounds of health.

The other members of the Commission are Mr. Panampilli Govinda Menon, former Chief Minister of Kerala, and Professor M. V. Mathew of the Rajasthan University. Mr. Roy, a retired Judge of the Allahabad High Court, may be another member.

Mr. G. R. Kamath is Member-Secretary of the Commission. While waiting for the finalisation of the personnel of the Commission and its formal assembling in New Delhi, Mr. Kamath is believed to have initiated some of the preliminary work. A draft questionnaire is ready and papers have been prepared on such likely subjects as the division of the Income-tax Pool and of the Central Excise duties.