

## **Shri Deepak Gupta**

Shri Deepak Gupta belongs to Jharkhand Cadre 1974 batch of the Indian Administrative Service.

He did his BA from Allahabad University where he stood first class first. He was also declared Best Undergraduate student and won Chancellor's Bronze Medal and the prestigious Dunn Medal for English literature. He also represented his University in Tennis and Squash. He did his Post Graduate in History from St Stephen's College, Delhi University and stood second. He earned his M Phil degree in International Relations from School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. He has also obtained Masters Degree in Public Administration from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University in 1992 as a Mason Fellow. He was declared the best IAS probationer of 1974-76 Professional Course.

After doing several District level assignments in Bihar, he has spent several years in different Departments covering almost all areas of work in both the State Government and the Government of India. While District Magistrate, Rohtas, he was awarded shields for best performances in the State for the various Rural Development programmes. In the State Government, he worked in the Departments of Health, Industry, Drinking Water, Rural Development and Water Resources. In the Government of India, he worked in the Departments of Industrial Development, Education, Women & Child Development and Health and Family Welfare. His assignments included a stint as Adviser (Jute & Coir) at India Trade Centre, Brussels during 1983-85 as well as a year with the World Health Organization in Delhi as Adviser in 2003-04. He was Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy from July, 2008 - Sept. 2011. He had initiated India's ambitious National Solar Mission. After retirement he has attended International Conferences as expert called by International Agencies in the areas of Renewable Energy and Energy Access.

He has published two documentary studies: First, A documentary study of Participatory Imagination Management published by Institute of Social Sciences, Delhi. Second, Covering a billion with DOTs published by Central TB Division of Ministry of Health. SAGE has also published his jointly authored book "Achieving Universal Energy Access in India: Challenges and Way Forward".

Presently, he is Chairman, Union Public Service Commission since 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2014.