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**Profile- At a glance**  
**(Prof P.K.Gupta/ Dr Pawan K Gupta)**  
Director, Toxicology Consulting Services Inc and

President Academy of Sciences for Animal Welfare



Prof PK Gupta

Prof Gupta is a visionary, a pioneer and an achiever in the field of biomedical research. He is well known for his ability to manage biomedical research, having founded India's first Toxicology Division for the Evaluation of Chemicals at the Industrial Toxicology Research Centre, Lucknow. He is also the first to bring toxicologists at one platform by organizing toxicological associations in India and abroad (Society of Toxicology, India and International Union of Toxicology) –in the seventies; to introduce a scientific research publication in the field of toxicology (Toxicology Journal) and has been instrumental to publish a three volume set on Modern Toxicology to promote toxicology education in India.

Prof Gupta has to his credit teaching and research experience of 40 years (including 24 years as University Professor). Author of 7 books / over 540 Scientific publications in National and International peer reviewed Journals (areas of interest include residues of pesticides and veterinary drugs, indigenous medicine and mechanism of action of chemicals); Founder Editor- in -Chief, Toxicology International; Book Review Editor, Marcel Dekker, USA; Expert member Consultant to WHO, Geneva; Consultant United Nations FAO, Rome; IAEA, Vienna; Founder Academy of Sciences for Animal Welfare;

Founder and Past President, Society of Toxicology, India; Adjunct Professor, SRMS; Founder Director (1980-1983); Member Nominating Committee (2004-2007), International Union of Toxicology; Adviser to WHO (2003-2006, Geneva); Project-in-Charge and consultant on “Approach towards production of safe food and Revision of I P vet” Ministry of Agriculture, Govt of India (2003-2005).

## **Personal**

Born, Moga, Punjab, India, Feb 14, 1943; son of late Shri Roop Lal Aggawal and Vidya Wati; married to Rakesh, Nov. 18, 1967; Children two sons, Vikas and Pankaj

## **Education**

BVSc and Animal Husbandry, Punjab Agri Univ., 1965; MSc in Medicine, Pb Agri Univ., 1967 (Hons); PhD, Pb Agri Univ., 1971; Post Doc in Toxicology, Univ of Ten Hlth Ctr. and West Virginia Univ. Medical School, 1977-1978, USA; Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Application (PGDCA), Upkar Computer Centre, Bareilly, 2005. Advance Training from Belgium, Germany, UK and USA.

## **Career**

Assitant Res Officer, 1967, Postgrad. Inst. Med. Edu. and Res. Chandigarh; Sr. lecturer, and Officer-in-charge Animal House, Dept Biophysics, Chandigarh; Scientist –in-charge, Safety Evaluation, 1973-1980, Indl Toxicology Res Centre, Lucknow; Prof-cum-Chief, Division of Pharmacology & Toxicology, 1980-2003, Indian Vety Res. Institute, Izatnagar; Guest Prof and visiting scientist, 1977-1978, Univ of Ten. For Hlth Sci., and Medical Ctre., West Virginia Univ., USA; Project-Director, INDO-USSR Project, 1990-1994, Dept of Science & Technology, New Delhi; Adviser 2003-2006, WHO, Geneva. Director, Toxicology Consulting Services Inc., Bareilly, 2003 - .

### **Award of Fellowships**

Society of Toxicology, India; Academy of Sciences for Animal Welfare; Academy of Environmental Biology; American College of Vety Toxicologists, USA; and National Academy of Vety Sciences, New Delhi.

### **Expert consultant**

WHO, Geneva, 1981, 1991, 2003-2005; International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna, 1985; UN FAO, 1992 and Ministry of Agriculture., New Delhi, 2003-2005 and Bureau of Indian Standards, New Delhi. Member, Advisory Panel of World Health Organization Core Group of Pesticide Residues (Geneva).

### **Author/ Editor of Books / chapters and research articles**

Author of Books: Basis of Organ and Reproduction Toxicity, 1985; Adverse Effects of Xenobiotics, 1985, Immuno and Clinical toxicology, 1985, Pesticides in the Indian Environment, 1986, Know Your Society, 1986, Veterinary Toxicology, 1988, Directory of Toxicologists, 2005.

Contributor of chapters to books (three dozens), research articles to peer reviewed Journals (over 540), books reviewed (over three dozen), monographs, technical reports and review articles. Guided several scholars leading to award of PhD and Masters degrees.

### **Editorial Responsibilities**

Founder Editor-in-chief, Indian Journal of Toxicology, 1994-2002; Founder Editor-in-chief, Toxicology International, 2002 - ; Founder, Tox-Letter; Member of editorial board, Clinical Toxicology (USA), Indian J of Pharmacology; Editor, Journal of Physiology and Allied Sciences.; Associate Editor, Journal of Environ. Biology; Editor, three-volume set of Modern Toxicology; Book review editor, Marcel Dekker, USA (200-2004).

## **Conferences**

Chairman and organizers of several International and National level conferences, seminar and symposia held in Belgium, Ireland, China, Thailand, USA, Croatia and other countries.

## **Awards**

Best teachers award, 1991; best research Alarsin award (Gold medal), 1991-92, 1996, AstraZeneca-IUTOX/SOT award USA, 2004, Lifetime achievement award and Scrol of honor of the Society of Toxicology, 2002; Best research awards (Gold medals, 1984, 2001). Rotary Award 2000 and National Polio Eradication Award, 2000-2001.

## **Positions held in Scientific Societies**

International Union of Toxicology (Founding Director 1980-1983, Councillor, 1980-1983, 1983-1986, hon. Auditor, 1983, 1986, nominating committee member, 2005-2008); Society of Toxicology, India (Founder, 1979, Sec Gen., 1980-1983, President, 1983-1985, 1986-1987, Chief Exe., 2000--); Academy of Environ. Biology, vice-president, 1986-1989; Academy of Sciences for Animal welfare, Founder, 2002, President 2002- ); Ganga Bachao Abhiyan, vice president, 2002-; Rotary Club of Bareilly Mahaan, President 1999-2000; Rotary Club of Bareilly Vishal, President Elect, 2007-2008.

## **Lifetime / membership of Scientific Organizations**

Society of Toxicology, Lifetime member; Academy of Environ Biology, Lifetime member; Society of Toxicology (USA), member; American College of Vety Toxicologists

USA), member; India Pharmacology Society, Lifetime member; Indian Assoc Vety Scientists, member; Soc of Vety Physiologists, Biochemists and Pharmacologists, member; Society of Biology Chemists, member; World Poultry Scientists Association, member, Ganga Bachao Abhiyan, Lifetime member.

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