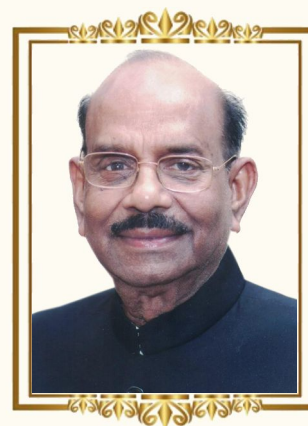




PROF. (DR.) RAJENDRA PRASAD



Prof. (Dr.) Rajendra Prasad is a nationally acclaimed Chest physician possessing 50 years of illustrious teaching, research and administrative experience with proven excellence in quality patient care.

2. Born on 17th February, 1950 in a remote village of Basti district, Uttar Pradesh. Prof. (Dr.) Prasad received medical education from K. G. Medical College, Lucknow. He is Emeritus Professor, National Academy of Medical Sciences (India), former Director of Vallabhbhai Patel Chest Institute, University of Delhi, former Head of the Department of Pulmonary Medicine, King George's Medical University, Lucknow, and former Director of U.P. Rural Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Saifai, is currently working as Director of Medical Education & Professor of Respiratory Medicine at Era's Lucknow Medical College & Hospital, Era University, Lucknow. He has worked to create awareness against pulmonary diseases, particularly tuberculosis, since 1976. He is a global authority in the field of tuberculosis. He took a keen interest in the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP) from its inception and was instrumental in establishing the first DOTS Center to run in a medical college campus in India, at K.G.'s Medical College, Lucknow. This model was later scaled across nearly 700 medical colleges nationwide. He is rated very high among the advocates of the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme of India.

3. Apart from being a clinician par excellence, Prof. (Dr.) Prasad is also a very popular medical teacher in Pulmonary Medicine. Within 14 years of heading the department at KG Medical University, he successfully transformed the Department of Tuberculosis into a well-recognized Department of Pulmonary Medicine by introducing and developing more than half a dozen specialist services, including Video Bronchoscopy, Medical Thoracoscopy, Thoracic Oncology Unit, Air Pollution-related disease diagnostic center, and Sleep Lab, the first of its kind in the state of Uttar Pradesh. He is popularly known as the "Father of Pulmonary Medicine" in India.

4. Prof. (Dr.) Prasad was the first in India to establish the association of bidi smoking and the use of biomass fuel smoke with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, tuberculosis, and lung cancer, advocating for public health reforms based on these findings. He has worked on 35 research projects and supervised 185 MD, MS, DM, Mch, and PhD theses. His research contributions regarding tuberculosis, multidrug-resistant tuberculosis, smoking, especially bidi smoking, and biomass fuel are well known. He has published 325 papers in international and national medical journals and authored 12 books, including 4 books on tuberculosis, an Atlas on Fiberoptic Bronchoscopy, and a Manual of Chest X-Ray, based exclusively on Indian patients.

5. Prof. (Dr.) Prasad has the unique distinction of being President of all major scientific bodies in the field of Pulmonary Medicine, including the Tuberculosis Association of India. He has been International Governor of the American College of Chest Physicians, USA, and was elected Fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences, India, the American College of Chest Physicians, USA, and the Royal College of Physicians, Glasgow and London. He participated in more than 350 public awareness lectures, camps and rallies to apprise people about various aspects of tuberculosis and common respiratory diseases in the state of Uttar Pradesh that has ultimately contributed to achieving the goals of "TB Mukta Bharat."

6. Prof. (Dr.) Prasad has been a recipient of more than 80 awards, including the Lifetime Achievement Award of the National College of Chest Physicians, India, the Indian Chest Society, the Tuberculosis Association of India, the Thoracic Endoscopy Society of India, the Indian Association of Bronchology, and the Indian College of Allergy, Asthma and Applied Immunology, the Vigyan Gaurav Award of the Council of Science and Technology, Government of Uttar Pradesh, the Dr. RV Rajam Academic Oration Award of the National Academy of Medical Sciences (India), and the Dr. B.C. Roy National Award for developing and popularizing Pulmonary Medicine in India.