

Hon'ble Mr.S.K.Pattanayak, IAS [Retd]



***Administrative Member,
Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal,
Bengaluru***

DR. S. K. PATTANAYAK was born on September 23, 1958 and joined the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) in 1982. He superannuated as Secretary to Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare, New-Delhi in September, 2018.

He holds a Ph.D. from Gulbarga University, Master's in Biological Science (Hons.) from Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani, Post Graduate Diploma in Environment Law from National Law School of India University, Bangalore and Diploma (CIAP) from Ecole Nationale d' Administration (ENA) Paris, France.

Dr. Pattanayak joined the Karnataka cadre of IAS and served in various capacities viz. Assistant Commissioner, Kundapur, Project Director Rural Development Society, Raichur, Director of Fisheries, Karnataka, Secretary, Paradip Port Trust, Odisha, Deputy Commissioner, Kodagu, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Kodagu, Registrar of University of Mysore and Deputy Commissioner of Uttara Kannada district. He played a significant role as Director of Watershed Development, Director of Horticulture and Secretary, Department of Ecology Environment, Karnataka. He also served as Excise

Commissioner, Karnataka, Chairman, Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board Bangalore, Mission Director, National Horticulture Mission, Government of India, Minister (Agriculture) & Alternate Permanent Representative of India to FAO, WFP and IFAD in Rome, Principal Secretary, Energy Department, Karnataka and Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

In his career spanning over 36 years, Dr. Pattanayak, has made noticeable contribution to administration and development, especially in the field of agriculture and horticulture. As founder Director of National Horticulture Mission, his contributions have impacted the accelerated horticulture development in the country. He is credited to have shaped the Indian perspective in international agriculture through engagement in governance of the three Rome based UN Food and Agriculture agencies viz., FAO, WFP & IFAD by way of membership and leadership of important governing bodies and by providing functional guidance while working as Minister (Agriculture). He was elected as President of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme Rome for the year 2012. Dr. Pattanayak has headed many high-powered committees, both at national and international level for providing policy framework. As Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, GOI, his leadership resulted in India witnessing a sort of pulse revolution during the year 2016-17, when the production of pulses jumped from existing 17 million tons to that of 24 million tons and he has also been credited for the turnaround of NAFED by providing an enabling environment to the organization to realize its true potential.

After superannuation, Dr. S.K. Pattanayak briefly worked as Director General, Administrative College of India, Hyderabad before His Excellency the President of India appointed him as Administrative Member of Karnataka Administrative Tribunal by Order No. A-11014/9/2018-AT dated 8 Jan, 2020 and he assumed charge on 17 June, 2020.