



**Late Prof. (Dr.) Lalit Narayan Patnaik**

1944 - 2019

OCS President for the Year : 2008

Prof. (Dr.) Lalit Narayan Patnaik was born on 17th November 1944. He obtained his M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry from Ravenshaw College, Cuttack in 1965, standing First Class First in the Batch. He was a College Teacher in Chemistry in various Govt. Colleges of Odisha from July 1967 to March 1988 for 21 years as Lecturer and Reader in Chemistry. Subsequently, he was Senior Scientist in the State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, from March 1988 to May 1993. He was also a Senior Scientist in the Department of Environment, Govt. of Odisha from May 1993 to September 1997. He became Director (Environment), Govt. of Odisha from September 1997 to November 2000 in the rank of Professor from April 1999. He was also Director (Vocational Education), Govt. of Odisha from December 2000 to November 2002 in the rank of Professor. He was superannuated from the services of Govt. of Odisha on 30th November 2002. He was appointed as the Chairman of Odisha State Pollution Control Board in July 2004 and remained in the position till January 2008. He specialized in Physical Chemistry, Environmental Chemistry & Management Sciences. He obtained his Ph.D. Degree in Chemistry from Sambalpur University in 1973. He has 57 research publications, including 36 in International Journals. He has guided six Students as an Independent Research Guide and four students as a Joint Research Guide for their Ph.D. Degrees. He has visited Norway in the year 1994 as a Member of the Govt. Team to Study Environmental Management Practices in that Country. He has represented India in the International Workshop on Environmental Performance Disclosure, Beijing, China. He has also visited London & Hongkong as a Tourist. He is a Member of the Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata; Patron Member of Orissa Environmental Society, Bhubaneswar, and Fellow of National environmental association, etc. He is widely known and respected in the State of Odisha for his Significant Contribution to Pollution Control & Protection of Ecology & Environment of the State. He is a Life-Time Bachelor. He became President of Orissa Chemical Society during 2008. During his term as the President, the Annual Conference of OCS was held on Dec 27-28, 2008 at NOU, Baripada. Prof. Patnaik passed away on March 4, 2019.