

INTRODUCTION OF PROF.B.C.BARIK

Dr. Bishnu Charan Barik (born in 1955) retired as a senior Professor of Sociology (former Director) in the School of Social Sciences, Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded (Maharashtra State) on dt.30/04/2017. He had privilege to hold the office of Vice-Chancellor, Sambalpur University, Jyoti Vihar, Sambalpur, Odisha from 10th November 2011 to 9th November 2014. He also worked as Acting Vice-Chancellor of his own University for three times (for a brief period each time). Prof. Barik during the tenure as the Director of the School (1997 to 2010) worked as a Co-ordinator of SAP-DRS- stage I & II of Sociology Department, Director of Women Study Centre and instrumental in introducing PG programme in Human Rights and Duties Education and Applied Economics. He holds his Master's, M.Phil and Ph.D degrees in Sociology. The Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Nanded recognising his contributions to the University's over-all development bestowed on him "**Dnyanteerth**" Award. His areas of research interest are Agrarian Studies, Migration, Weaker Sections, Dam and Displacement and Water Management. Besides, he has attended three short term courses on Irrigation and Water Management in the Universities of Utah and Colorado State of U.S.A. in the year 1988. He has 30 years of teaching, research, extension and administrative experiences working in the various organisations and institutions of the state of Gujarat, Maharashtra and Odisha.



Prof. Barik has published seven books and more than forty research papers including book reviews in the national and international journals. He worked as a reviewer of "International Journal" Rural Social Work" published from South Australia University; "Agriculture and Human Values" published from Netherlands and International journal "Sociology and Anthropology" and "Current Sociology" from U.S.A and "Sociological Bulletin", New Delhi. He also worked in various committees of UGC, New Delhi and UPSC of Govt of India, New Delhi and member of Public Service Commission of two states of India. He has served as a World Bank Consultant to a Major Research Project of Anna University, Chennai on Farmers Organisation in Irrigation and Water Management. He has conducted nine national level seminars and conferences during the period from 1999 to 2010 as a Professor. He attended 100 national and 12 international level seminars /conferences and presented papers. He has visited thirteen overseas countries for academic engagements. He acted as a selection committee member for faculty recruitment in the various Universities/Colleges in the country. Four students have completed Ph.D under him and another two students are at the stage of completion. Prof. Barik generated around Rs 2 crores for the School of Social Sciences while he was holding the position of the Director and around Rs 55 crores for Sambalpur University as its Vice-Chancellor.

Prof. Barik is a former Executive Committee Member of Association of Common Wealth Universities, London. He is a member of International Sociological Association, Spain and Executive Committee Member of RC-40. He is an active life member of Indian Sociological Society and has been attending its annual conference regularly since 1982. He served as a member of Management Committee of Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi from 2005 to 2011. Besides, he is a life member of Gujarat Sociological Society, Gujarat and Marathi Samaj Sathra Parisad, Maharashtra. Prof. Barik is nominated to Executive Committee of two State Universities by the Hon'ble Chancellor of respective States and has been working on various high level committees constituted by the different state Governments. He has been working as a Chairman of NAAC Peer Team for Assessment and Accreditation of colleges in the country.

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