

Born on January, 1956 at village Kosha-Mangroli in Chamoli Garhwal of Uttarakhand, Dr.Udai Singh Rawat did his primary education from Govt Primary School at his own village, High School from Govt.Higher Secondary School Nandprayag, Intermediate from Govt.Inter College Joshimath, B.Sc and M.Sc from Govt.P.G College Gopeshwar (Chamoli) and Ph.D in Zoology (Entomology) from Garhwal University Srinagar(Garhwal).

He started his career as Entomologist in the Union Ministry of Agriculture, Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine & Storage through Union Public Service Commission and posted at Central Biological Control Research Centre at Faridabad (Haryana) w.e.f. 1983 to 1988 and later elevated to the post of Asst. Director (Entomology) in the same Deptt. of Union Ministry of Agriculture and posted at Central Integrated Pest Management Centre, Solan (H.P.) till 1993. Under overall supervision of Dr.Rawat as Asstt. Director (Entomology), the new I.P.M Centre at Solan (H.P.) received a model infrastructure & administrative beginning and recognized as one of the best I.P.M. Centre Under the Directorate of Plant Protection in the country. Govt. of India and F.A.O. has recognized him as a Resource Person on three occasions for International programme on I.P.M in rice.

During his service tenure as an Entomologist and Asstt. Director (Entomology) he has completed 5 Research Projects on various aspects of Biological Control of Agricultural crop pests and developed a strong base for the research and extension work on the insect pests of temperate fruits, vegetable crops and rice and exploitation of Biological Control agents for insect pest management. his contribution to scientific world includes 52 research papers published in various leading National & International journals. On 24 occasions he had attended National & International symposium/seminars/workshops and contributed 5 chapters in different books besides popular articles, booklets, etc. He has published 6 books on different topics and his latest Book entitled "Uttarakhand Disaster: Contemporary Issues of Climate Change and Development with a Holistic Approach" was released by Hon'ble Governor/Chancellor of Uttarakhand at Raj Bhawan, Dehradun.

He joined B.H.U. on 3rd May 1993 on the post of Deputy Registrar (Research, Development and Finance) and Later elevated to the post of Joint Registrar (Research & Development). Since then, he was involved in the area of Administration/ Coordination, Liaison with Academic and Research Projects and Financial Management of the University. His contribution towards the preparation of Project Accounting Book and also Purchase Rule Book helping the departments of the University to conduct their research and administrative activities properly.

Dr. Rawat had been steering the Baba Saheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Central University, Lucknow as its Registrar for the period of 5 yrs from October, 2004 to October, 2009 and subsequently appointed as the first Registrar of newly converted Central University from the State University i.e. Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University, Srinagar (Garhwal) by H.E the President of India for the period of 3 years w.e.f. 14.12.2009 to 13.12.2012.

For his far-sighted administrative vision and caliber, and competent academic Knowledge and training experience in management (36 years) and Research (13 years) enabled him to associate himself with many academic and administrative related development works always re-forming, re-structuring and re-invigorating the redundant system of replacing them with more pragmatic

and realistic new system, which skill and efforts brought him as a good administrator and academician in the field of Higher education. Keeping in view of his academic contribution and meritorious services in the field of Higher-Education, various organization/ Agencies have honored Dr.Rawat with several awards, some of them are – Uttarakhand rattan award (2013), Uttarakhand Gomukh award (2009), Samajshri award (2006), Vijay Shree award (2005), International award by American biological Institute (1997), Leadership award (2004-2005), Sri Dev Suman Award 2014 and also has been felicitated by 12 Gram Panchayat of Tehsil Joshimath (Chamoli) for his outstanding contribution in the field of Higher Education at village Mallari of Joshimath Tehsil (Chamoli) on 15th August,2015. Recently, the Education Excellence award 2015 for Best Emerging University in the State University category is received by Sri Dev Suman Uttarakhand Univerisityat Dehradun.

Consequent upon his long administrative acumens and academic vision in the field of higher education and that too of three reputed Central Universities, the Govt. of Uttarakhand has appointed Dr. Rawat as a first Vice-Chancellor of newly established University named as Sri Dev Suman Uttarakhand University, Badshahithol, Tehri (Garhwal) w.e.f. 17.12.2012 and since then Dr.Rawat is working for re-forming, restructuring and revamping Higher Education system in Uttarakhand within a limited manpower and resources. He has also been given the responsibility of Vice-Chancellor of Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Uttarakhand Medical University in-addition to his own responsibility w.e.f. 22.02.2015 to 22.11.2015. The Govt. of Uttarakhand, D/o Higher Education also has given the additional responsibility of Chairman, Selection Committee for Guest Faculties in the various Degree & Post Graduate Colleges of Uttarakhand during the year 2015.

Recently, the Hon'ble Governor/Chancellor of Uttarakhand has re-appointed Dr. Rawat as a Vice-Chancellor of Sri Dev Suman Uttarakhand University for another period of 3 yrs w.e.f. 1st June, 2016 onwards, keeping in view of his all-round performance in the field of Higher Education.