Dr. Probir Kumar Ghosh, Vice-Chancellor, Visva-Bharati

Dr. P. K. Ghosh, FNA, FNASc, FNASS, PhD born in 1962 topped in M.Sc. and Ph.D. with First Class **First (90%) & Gold Medal** in **GBPUA&T**, Pantnagar, graduated with First Class (70%) from Visva-Bharati. Completed 32 years' service (14 years as Research Management position, Administrator and 18 years Professor / Principal Scientist) in ICAR. His last working office attended was as Founder Director cum Vice-Chancellor, ICAR-National Institute of Biotic Stress Management (NIBSM) – Deem to be University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, India (2020-2024).

Earlier he demonstrated leadership as **Director**, Indian Grassland and Fodder Research Institute, Jhansi (2012-17). **National Coordinator**, National Agricultural Higher Education Project World Bank aided project, ICAR, New Delhi (2017-20), and **Head**, Crop Production Division, Indian Institute of Pulses Research (2009-2012). **Principal Scientist**, ICAR Research Complex for NEH Regional (2006-2009). Senior Scientist, Indian Institute of Soil Science (1999-2006). **Scientist**, Indian Institute of Ground Nut Research (1993-1999). His pioneering works on climate change, carbon sequestration, Resource use efficiency, Conservation agriculture, Crop diversification, Soil water conservation, Soil water conservation, Integrated Farming System (IFS), Fodder research, Biotic stress management have been considered as outstanding contributions, benefitting large numbers of farming community across the globe, as a result he has been identified continuously for four years (2021-2024) as **one of the top two percent of agricultural scientists at global level.**

He is recipient of 19 national awards including M. S. Randhawa Memorial Award for best Administration, Excellence in Science Award and Sardar Patel Outstanding – Best ICAR Institute Award for leadership, Life time Achievement Award (ISA), Hari Krishan Shastri Award (IAR), Indian Society of Agronomy Gold Medal, Dr. K. G. Tejwani Soil Conservation Award, ICAR Vasantrao Naik Award for Dry land Agriculture, ICAR Inter-disciplinary Team Award IMPHOS-FAI Award, PPIC-FAI Award, AAAS Senior Award, Ground Water Augmentation Award.

Fellow of top three Academy of country (INSA, NASI and NAAS) and three professional society), Indian Society of Agronomy (ISA), Indian Society of Plant Physiology and West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology (WAST).

Implemented National initiative on fodder Technology demonstration throughout the country through 100KVKs, established 84 Model fodder village and grassland in 6 states in 657-acre area and promoted 17 Gousala in UP and Rajasthan for ensuring fodder security and livestock productivity.

Scientific leadership as Chairman by organizing 23rd International Grassland Congress (IGC) held first time in India with 450 Internationals delegates. Since last 13 years, IGC continuing committee (South-East Asia), as executive member, Sectional President, Agricultural Section in the centenary year (2013) of Indian Science Congress.

Hold many important positions nationally and internationally, few of them are Member, DST task force on Climate change on forestry, Chairman, National fodder planning committee, National Conference on Doubling Farmer Income (DFI) and Chairman / Coordinator / Convener of seminar /workshop / conference / brainstorming Member, Board of Management / Academic Council / of 9 Universities including Country expert / coordinator of many international projects funded by CHIAR/FAO/World Bank. Co-opted member of Doubling Farmer Income (DFI) Committee, constituted by PMO and contributed to bring 14 volumes on Doubling Farmer Income (DFI) Committee. Formulated four policy papers for the country.

Published 27 books and 175 research papers in the high impact factor journals with the total citation of 12544, h-index of 52 and i-10 index of 158 and total publication of 332.