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## Dr. Gopal Chandra Bhattacharya

Dr. Gopal Chandra Bhattacharya, Professor of Education (retired), Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi started his academic journey in higher education from obtaining B.Sc.(Hons) in Geology followed by M. Sc. (Geography) degree from Faculty of Science (now, Institute of Science, BHU) Banaras Hindu University. After M.Sc. he joined Faculty of Education, BHU for his B. Ed and M. Ed degrees (all in first class) standing first in final M. Ed examination and awarded with University Gold Medal. Subsequently, completed his Ph.D., in Education working first time on models of teaching following quasi-experimental design to teach Geography to school students. He joined Faculty of Education, BHU as a Lecturer in 1983, became Reader in 1998 and Professor in 2006 in the same university.

He has to his own credit of 54 research papers, 98 articles on various issues of educational science published in journals of national and international repute, two text and two reference books and attended 114 seminar and conferences for presenting scientific papers and obtained best research paper award from oriental conference of oriental research institute, Pune and international best oral presentation award from International Science Congress in 2014. He has completed a research project on environmental awareness of school students and acted as chairperson, resource person and sectional president in many national and international conferences, seminars and delivered speech in educational institutions including refresher courses of UGC. A dozen of Ph.D. scholars including foreign nationals of Kenya and Thailand obtained Ph.D. degree under his supervision and three are making wait for their viva and four are yet continuing their research work.

Dr. Bhattacharya is a fellow member of various educational and professional organisations like Indian Association of Teacher Educators, Indian Adult Education Association, New Delhi, All India Council for Mass Education and Development, Kolkata, Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata, International Science Community Association, Indore, oriental conference, Pune, Alumni Association of Education, BHU, Varanasi and so on. He served organisations like NCTE and NAAC also for academic excellence of educational institutions.

After more than 34 years of long, dedicated and sincere service, Professor Bhattacharya retired from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi after serving as Head of the Department of Education and Dean of Faculty of Education of the university.

He has been active in the educational and scientific community and has dedicated his entire life to academics, research and social service including adult education.

Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome Dr. Gopal Chandra Bhattacharya with a huge round of applause.

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