



BIOGRAPHY: SHRI RAJESH VERMA, IAS (Retd.)

Shri Rajesh Verma is currently serving as the Chairperson of the Commission for Air Quality Management in NCR and Adjoining Areas since September, 2024. A distinguished officer of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Odisha cadre, 1987 batch, Shri Verma superannuated from Government service on 31st August 2024 after an illustrious career spanning nearly four decades.

A graduate in Electrical Engineering from IIT Delhi, he also holds a professional certification from the National Defence College in National Security and Strategic Studies.

Shri Verma has held a wide array of senior leadership positions in the Government of Odisha and the Government of India. He also served on deputation to Government of Rajasthan. His roles have included serving as Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister of Odisha, Additional Chief Secretary, and later as Secretary in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Special Secretary - Ministry of Corporate Affairs and Special Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Government of India.

From 2022 to 2024, he served as Secretary to the President of India. Over the years, he has also been on the Boards of several leading Central and State PSUs, including NTPC, PGCIL, REC, SJVNL, THDC, SEBI, LIC, and RIICO among others.

Shri Verma brings with him deep expertise in governance, infrastructure development, power and energy sectors, corporate affairs, and environmental management, making him an invaluable voice in discussions around sustainable and clean development.
