

Brief Biodata
of
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Prof. Gurdeep Singh is the founder member of the Centre of Mining Environment (CME) and Dept. of Environmental Science & Engg. (ESE) at ISM, Dhanbad. He started the unique academic programs : M.Tech in Environmental Science & Engineering (1990) and B.Tech in Environmental Engineering (2006). He has about 31 years of Teaching, Research, HRD/Consultancy. He has completed 18 R&D projects sponsored by MOEF, MHRD including 10 World Bank aided projects, etc. He has published over 346 Research papers, edited 9 books and guided 31 PhDs students.

He is at the forefront of cutting edge research in mitigating environmental and social impacts of mining in India. He has carried out various R&D and Consultancy projects particularly World Bank aided Projects of MOEF/GOI and Coal India Limited on Environmental Management Capacity Building for Mining Sector. Currently Regional Environmental Impact Assessment of Goa Mining Region, Building the Social & Environmental Management Capacity of Afghanistan and Nigeria Mineral Sectors under World Bank aided Project. He has organised over 100 Executive Development Programs on various Mining Environmental aspects with training of over 1500 personnel of mining sector. He is also the coordinator of MOEF Sponsored Environmental Information System on Mining (MIN-ENVIS) catering the requirements of various stakeholders while maintaining & operating the website and publication of various Newsletters and Monographs.

MoEF/GOI has appointed him as the first Chairman, Jharkhand State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority- a statutory authority to provide Environmental Clearance at Jharkhand State level.

Awards / Recognition

Conferred with the ISM Alumni Association (ISMAA) Award in Recognition of Supervising Maximum Number of Ph.Ds awarded by the Institute during the period 2010-13 on May 10, 2014 in the presence of the President of India as Chief Guest at 36th Convocation of ISM, Life Time Achievement Award by the IM & EJ(2011), National Mineral Award (2001), Subarna and Sashibhushan Memorial Award (2003), Bala Tandan Award of the Mining Geological & Metallurgical Institute of India (2000) & MEAI (2013), State Bank of India Best Researcher of the Year Award 2011-12 and Best Paper Awards: J.N.Panda Memorial Award of Institution of Engineer(s) (1995), M.L.Rungta Award of MEAI (2007) and Young Scientist Paper Award by American Academy of Science (2007) at Houston, Texas, Prof. S.K.Bose Memorial Lecture, delivered at The 20th National Convention of Mining Engineers, hosted by The Institution of Engineers (India) Neyveli Local Centre, January 30, 2009. He was also honoured with the 'Award of Excellence' of NEA at the National Conference on Harmony with Nature in the context of Environmental Issues and Challenges of the 21st Century (Harmony-2014), organized at M.L. Sukharia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan (November 28-30, 2014).

Prof. Singh was the Leader of the two Delegations deputed by Ministry of Environment & Forests (MOEF), Govt. of India to the USA, Canada and Australia for International Training/ Expert Study tour on Best Management Practices in Mining under EMCBTAP: Mining Sub-Component.

Prof. Singh has been serving as the member on the Editorial Boards of few Journals and associated with various Professional Bodies such as MGMI, MEAI, IAEM, IGS, SGAT, IAAPC, IES, etc. He has been serving as National Council Member of MEAI since 2005. He has been invited to deliver Key-note/ Special Lectures at various Institutes (National Judicial Academy, National Forest Academy, NEERI, IITs, NITs, BHU, CMPDI, IICM, BCCL, CMRI, RRL, NLC, etc). He has been Visiting Professor to Southern Illinois University (1994-96, 2006). Prof. Singh has also been serving on various Expert Committees of Govt. of India particularly EAC (Mining) of MOEF (2006-2009) and member of the Restructuring of Indian Bureau of Mines, Ministry of Mines.