



### **Harsh Gupta**

Prof. Gupta is a Geophysicist and specializes in application of Geophysics to address problems of continents and oceans. Currently he is a Raja Ramanna Fellow. Important positions occupied earlier include Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Ocean Development; Director, National Geophysical Research Institute (N.G.R.I), Hyderabad; Adviser, Department of S&T, New Delhi; Vice-Chancellor, Cochin University of S&T; Director, Centre for Earth Science Studies; Adjunct Professor, University of Texas at Dallas; Research Scientist, University of Texas at Dallas. He has been a Visiting Professor at a number of Universities and Institutes in Europe and USA, Advisor/Consultant to UNESCO, Common Wealth Science Council, International Atomic Energy Authority, ICSU etc on several occasions. He was the Leader of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica (1983-84), which succeeded in setting up a permanent base for India in a record time. After the disastrous 2004 India Ocean Tsunami, he designed the Tsunami Warning System for India, which has been functional since August 2007. He was the 94<sup>th</sup> General President of Indian Science Congress. Has worked for several years in USA and for over two years in Japan. Travelled extensively on short Assignments, Chaired International Meetings /Conferences etc. Professor Gupta is an author of several books and has published over 150 papers in national and international scientific journals.