

Shri Vinod Nautiyal has been appointed as Information Commissioner, Uttarakhand vide GO no. 780/XXXI(13)G/2009 dated 11<sup>th</sup> December 2009 and has assumed charge on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2009.



Born on 25<sup>th</sup> December 1951 at Vill. Pharakhetu, P.O. Khandah, Patti Katutulsyum, Distt Pauri Garhwal, Shri Vinod Nautiyal did his high school and pre – university from Panjab University and graduation from Shri Guru Nanak Dev University. Shri Nautiyal is also a law graduate (LL.B.) from HNB Garhwal University.

Shri Nautiyal started his career in 1979 as a lawyer at District Court, Pauri practicing in Civil, Criminal and Revenue side. He has also served as a part – time lecturer in Law Department, HNB University, Pauri Campus. Shri Nautiyal has also been a member of Sansthatat Finance Corporation, Government of UP (1990 – 91); Senior Member District Consumer Forum, Pauri (1991 – 96) and Chairman, Shri Badrinath – Kedarnath Temple Committee (1998 – 2002).

After the formation of the new state of Uttarakhand, Shri Vinod Nautiyal had been practicing at Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand at Nainital in Civil, Criminal and Service matters. Shri Nautiyal has also served as the Addl. Standing Counsel, Government of India (2003 – 05) and also as Standing Counsel, HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar and Uttarakhand Technical University, Dehradun.

Before being appointed as the Information Commissioner, Shri Vinod Nautiyal was serving as the Additional Advocate General, Government of Uttarakhand. (8 Jan 2008 – 14 December 2009).

Shri Vinod Nautiyal has worked as a Social Worker during the Uttarakashi, Chamoli and Rudraprayag earthquakes. He has also formed various social organizations in Uttarakhand which are running successfully. He has also helped in establishing various educational institutions in the remote hilly regions of Uttarakhand by way of gift and donations.

Shri Vinod Nautiyal has also received an award from the Government of India for Forestation activities in 1982.