IUCN India Country Office welcomes new Country Representative - Sri Priya Ranjan Sinha

Mr. P R. Sinha's distinguished career spans more than three decades in the field of natural resource management. He joined the Indian Forest Service in 1977 and served in various capacities at State and Federal government levels.

Prior to joining IUCN, he was the Director, Wildlife Institute of India, where, other than leading the organization, he also acted as an advisor to Government of India and State Governments on relating to management of natural resources in general and wildlife in particular. In his long career, he has been associated with policy formulation, programme development and field level implementation in the area of Wildlife Conservation.

He has also been associated in wildlife research, capacity building programmes for managers of natural resources and in developing support-systems for decision making on conservation related issues. From an organizational development perspective, Mr. Sinha has been instrumental in bringing about institutional reforms including human resource development in various organizations in which he has worked.

Mr. Sinha has made significant contributions through his work, including conservation breeding of endangered species, developing housing standards for upkeep of animals in captivity, management of the Tiger Reserve, implementation of a nation-wide tiger estimation programme, and the translocation and rehabilitation of Tiger and *Bos-gaurus* (the Indian Bison) into the wild. Mr. Sinha has also directly contributed to and led various environmental impact assessments including cumulative impact assessment studies.



A very RARE photo of Sri P.R. Sinha, I.F.S. (IUCN Country Representative, formerly Member Secretary of Central Zoo Authority) SMILING!

Mr. Sinha received his Masters in Forestry from the Indian Forest College and a Post-Graduate Diploma in Wildlife Management from the Wildlife Institute of India.

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