

Profile of Shri Raghvendra Singh, Director General



Shri Raghvendra Singh, took over as the Director General, National Archives of India, on 22 February 2017. A post Graduate in History from the University of Delhi, he is an IAS Officer of the 1983 Batch of the West Bengal cadre. Prior to the present posting, he was the Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture & Co-operation, Govt. of India. Earlier he served both at the Centre and at the home cadre West Bengal in various capacities like Joint Secretary, and thereafter Additional Secretary (Films), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Principal Secretary, Tourism; Principal Secretary, Sunderbans Affairs; Principal Secretary, North Bengal Development; and Principal Secretary, Sports and Youth Services department in West Bengal.

Shri Singh also served as the Secretary to Leader of Opposition Rajya Sabha (2004-2009) and Private Secretary to Union External Affairs Minister (1998-2000).

He was Director, Indian Cultural Centre, Berlin, Germany between 2000-2002.

Shri Singh has vast experience in the field of culture and heritage. He conceptualized & curated the National Museum of Indian Cinema in a refurbished heritage building 'Gulshan Mahal' - in Mumbai - 2014; curated Deshbandhu Chitranjan Das Museum in Darjeeling - 2012; curated Tea Museum in Darjeeling - 2011, curated the Crafts Museum, West Midnapore, West Bengal.

Shri Singh also oversaw the restoration work of the heritage structures like St. Andrew's Church (Darjeeling); Planter's Club (Darjeeling); Park Street Cemetery (Kolkata) and Buxa Fort (Alipur Duar, West Bengal) and restored Chaitanya Library, Kolkata that houses priceless books.

An avid writer, he wrote the scripts for the Audio - Guide - for the Tagore Museum in Kolkata; 'Towards Freedom' - a half an hour film of rare footage on India's freedom struggle. He made a short film on Mahatma Gandhi, which was shown on 2nd October, 2014 in New Delhi, in the presence of the Hon'ble P.M.
