## 2019 Awardee



Outstanding Alumnus Award of College of Technology

Dr. Yatindra Pal Singh

Dr. Yatindra Pal Singh received his B. Tech. (Hons.) in Civil Engineering with Chancellor's Gold Medal from this university in 1978 and Masters degree in Civil engineering with specialisation in Geotechnical engineering from University of Roorkee (1980). Even after his joining the 'Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE)' through 1979 exam batch of UPSC, he continued his quest for knowledge by obtaining his Post Graduate Diploma in Management from MDI, Gurgaon in 1990; MS in Infrastructure Planning from University of Stuttgart, Germany in 2007; M.Phil. in Defence and Strategic Studies from University of Madras in 2012; and finally Ph.D. in Management from AMU, Aligarh in 2016. He has also been a graduate from the National Defence College, New Delhi, having completed the 39<sup>th</sup> NDC, one of the most prestigious courses, in 1999.

Dr. Y.P. Singh joined Indian Railways in January, 1981 and retired as the Additional General Manager of North Central Railway in December, 2016. During his career, spanning 36 years on Indian Railways, he has worked on various posts on various railway zones beginning from Assistant Engineer to Principal Chief Engineer of a Zonal Railway. His main administrative postings during this period include Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of Palghat and Ambala Divisions on Southern and Northern Railways respectively. He was Principal Chief Engineer of North Western Railway Zone, Vice-Chairman (equivalent to Managing Director) of the Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA) and finally, Additional General Manager of North Central Railway. He also worked as Director in the Railway Board and Director in the Ministry Of Urban Development, Government of India.

Under his stewardship as Divisional Railway Manager, Palghat and Ambala Divisions were awarded the Best Division Shields of Southern and Northern Railways. At a very young age, he was deputed to work for two years on a difficult railway line project from Benisaf to Ain-Temouchent in Algeria which included viaducts up to 75 m height, equal to that of Qutub- Minar. He was associated with construction of various important railway projects, construction of new bridge over river Gomti at Lucknow, construction of Garrah Bridge (20 x 18.33 m) on Bareilly-Lucknow line and construction of new railway bridge (11x 61m) over river Ganga at Garhmukteswar. He was also in-charge for Strengthening and Retrofitting of important bridges over river Ganga at Balawali near Haridwar and many more. Thus, he has immensely contributed to the development of the country and has always kept the flag of his Alma-mater flying high by keeping his image clean and above board.

Dr. Singh is FIE, FIGS, FIMA, FIPWE, FIIBE, MIBC, MISTE, MIRT, MIUT and MICA. He has been working as Contract Specialist and Railway Expert in Public and Private sector since his superannuation from Indian Railways e.g. Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India, Ernst & Young, and SMEC etc. He has visited about 35 countries.