



MR. PRAKASH SINGH (FORMER DGP, ASSAM AND UTTAR PRADESH AND DIRECTOR, BSF)

Mr Prakash Singh is a distinguished, retired Indian Police Service officer who served as the Director General of the Border Security Force and the Director General of Police of Assam and Uttar Pradesh. He is a 1959 batch IPS officer of the Uttar Pradesh cadre who has helmed several high-profile positions in recent times such as being the present Chairman of Indian Police Foundation and Institute, an Associate Fellow at Joint Special Operations University, and a member of the National Security Advisory Board between 2013-14. He has also assisted the Union Public Service Commission as an expert in the selection of All India Civil Services officers. He has also headed notable inquiry committees post his retirement, such as his appointment by Government of Haryana in February, 2016 to submit the report on Role of Officers of Civil Administration and Police during Jat reservation agitation in Haryana and the Government of Andhra Pradesh asking him in 2003 to conduct an Inquiry into the incident of a mine blast in which the Naxalite attempted to assassinate the then Chief Minister of the state, Mr N. Chandrababu Naidu. He has authored six books, such as 'Irregular Warfare: The Maoist Challenge to India's Internal Security' and 'India's Northeast: The Frontier in Ferment', apart from contributing about 300 articles for various national dailies. He has been honoured with State award by Government of Uttar Pradesh, Police Medal for Meritorious Service and Police Medal for Distinguished Service, along with being awarded the Padma Shri by the Government of India in 1991 for his contribution to civil service. He is also well known for filing a Public Interest Litigation at the Supreme Court of India, in whose landmark judgement delivered in 2006, the Supreme Court gave specific directions to the central and state governments to carry out structural changes in the police with a view to insulating it from extraneous pressures and making it accountable to the people. He has had an excellent track record for combating terrorism and insurgency in the most turbulent theatres of the country and is regarded as the architect of police reforms in India.