

**Dr. B.C. Nayak**  
**(1930-2017)**



**Dr. B.C. Nayak** was born on 23rd September, 1930 in a remote village of Bhadrak Distt., Odisha. After early school and college education young Mr Nayak was deputed by Director of Animal Husbandry, Odisha to undergo B.V.Sc. & A.H. degree programme at Bihar Veterinary College, Patna in 1949. He completed his graduation from Magadha University, Bihar, Patna with University Gold Medal for standing first in the University in 1953. He joined the Government of Odisha as Veterinary Assistant Surgeon. Subsequently he worked as instructor in the Veterinary College and as Research Assistant in the State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, Cuttack for four years after which he was deputed to Indian Veterinary Research Institute for Post Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Pathology. Later he received M.V.Sc. degree in Veterinary Pathology from Odisha Veterinary College, Bhubaneswar in 1959. He was sponsored by the University to Royal Veterinary College, Stockholm, Sweden and obtained F.R.V.C.S. Post Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Pathology in 1964. Again he was sponsored by the University to the Kansas State University, USA under TCM Programme during 1956-59 for obtaining Doctorate Degree in Veterinary Pathology. After return he worked as Assistant Professor, Reader and Head and Professor and Head of the Department of Pathology up to 1983.

He became the Dean as the Faculty of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry of University from 1983-86. After which he was deputed to Government of Tripura as Director of Animal Husbandry and worked there for a short period and returned to the University in 1987 and worked again as Professor and Head of Department of Pathology till his retirement in 1990.

He has guided a number of students for their Master's Degree Programme and a few students for their Doctoral Degree on different Research Project whose results finding were very fruitful for the university and State. During his tenure due to his reputed name in the field of research he was sanctioned a few all India Research Projects in Animal and Poultry Diseases sanctioned by the ICAR for the benefit of the University and State.

He has published 113 research papers in different National journals and was awarded a by Indian Veterinary Association for best Disease diagnostic article in 1992. He was appointed by the different Agriculture Universities as expert for the examination in Masters and scientist requirement. He was also appointed as expert for the Agriculture Scientist Recruitment Board of ICAR, Indian Veterinary Research Institute and Union Public Commission. He was member of different Professional bodies like Indian Science Congress, Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologist, Odisha Veterinary Association and Indian Farmers Form.

He passed away on 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2017 at the aghe of 87 years. He was present in inaugural function of 30<sup>th</sup> IAVP Conference held at Bhubaneshwar in November, 2013. Dr Nayak was stalwart of Veterinary Pathology Profession His demise is great loss to Veterinary Profession of India particularly to Veterinary Pathologists.