OBITUARY

Dr. Ravi Pratap Singh
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Dr. Ravi Pratap Singh started his career at Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi in 1985 as Lecturer/Assistant Professor and promoted as Professor in 1998. He served as Professor & Head, Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding for two tenures. He served BHU for more than 30 years.

He handled a number of responsibilities and posts in administration like Chairman, Board of Studies; Dean of faculty; Member, Academic Council etc. He participated in panel discussions as an expert and visited Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh during 2012 and 2013. He also presented papers and chaired sessions in International symposia held at Japan (1989), USA-Mexico (2014) and Malaysia (2015).

He was associated with All India Coordinated Rice Improvement Project (AICRIP-ICAR) for more than 19 years (2001 to 2020). During his association with AICRIP as Rice Breeder, he developed five rice varieties viz., HUR-105, HUR 4-3, HUR-917, HUR-1304, which were released by SVRC and one HUBR 10-9 under Basmati group was released by CVRC.

He published 124 research papers, 15 book chapters and was chief editor for two journals. He was also the Zonal Councillor for North India for Society for Advancement of Rice Research (SARR).

SARR pays its respects and deep sense of gratitude to the departed soul and prays the almighty that his soul rests in peace. We also convey our deep condolences to the bereaved family.