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Major Publications, Research & Teaching:

10 Books including: *India's Foreign Policy: Emerging challenges* (New Delhi: Pentagon, 2012); *Democracy, Nation Building and Peace in South Asia* (New Delhi: Har Anand, 2009); *Nuclear Synergy: Indo-US Strategic Cooperation and Beyond* (New Delhi, 2009); *Domestic Imperatives in India's Foreign Policy* (New Delhi, 2002); *South Asia in 21st Century: India, Her Neighbours and Great Powers* (New Delhi, 2003); *Peace and Cooperative Security in South Asia* (Pondicherry/ New Delhi: 2001); *India's Foreign Policy in a Changing World* (New Delhi: 2000); *Internal Crisis and Indira Gandhi's Foreign Policy* (New Delhi/ Patna, 1985), etc.

A widely travelled scholar, Prof. Jha has published **125 research papers, numerous articles, and 18 book reviews** in journals of national and international repute. He has successfully completed seven research projects, supervised 10 Ph.D., 9 M. Phil and 19 MA dissertations.

Teaching and Research

Having obtained his M Phil and Ph.D. degrees from **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi**, Prof Jha earlier taught Political Science at L N Mithila University, Darbhanga, **Bihar**. He has thus more than **35 years of teaching** and research experience in **2 state university, 3 prestigious Central Universities** (JNU, Pondicherry and Allahabad) and **1 private university (Manipal), out of which he has served as Professor for more than 16 years.**

He has contributed research papers/chaired sessions and spoken during more than **200** international and national seminars, etc. He has delivered numerous distinguished lectures at different parts of India and abroad. He is member of **12 academic/professional associations** and he has been a member of governing bodies/committees and authorities of universities and institutions. He has been awarded several gold medals, distinctions and acting member of **Ph.D. adjudication boards**; member of **selection committees**, member & chairman of **Boards of Studies** of numerous universities and institutions located in all four corners of India. He has also been associated with confidential assignments of top most Public Service Commissions in the country.

Specialization: Stressing on Relevance of Bharatiya Values Today

A distinguishing aspect of Prof Jha's teaching and research has been to focus on relevance of Bharatiya culture, political thought, values and ethos for addressing contemporary issues of peace, national as well as international security, nation building, social and religious

harmony, scientific temper, empowerment of women and other weaker sections of society, equality, justice, freedom and environment protection, etc. He has introduced a compulsory course/section on Indian political thought in P G course of Pondicherry University.

A Vast International Exposure

A twice Fulbrighter, Prof Jha has been a Fulbright Professor at the **South Asian Studies Program of the School of Advanced International Studies of Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC** (2006); Visiting Fellow at Department of International Relations at **University of Dhaka, Bangladesh** (2005); Center for South Asian Studies of University of the Punjab, **Lahore (Pakistan)** in 2011; Shastri Scholar at the University of Dalhousie, **Halifax, Canada** (1997); Fellow, Institute of Ethnic Studies, **Colombo, Sri Lanka** (1993); and Senior Fulbright Fellow at the South Asian Studies Centre of **University of California, Berkeley, USA** (1992-93). He visited **France** in April 2012 for the Annual meet of south Asia Foundation and thereafter Perth (**Australia**) in May 2012 as a member Task Force on Indian Ocean and Kathmandu (Nepal) for an international conference in June 2014. He has thus a very vast **international exposure**.

An Institution Builder and Administrator

Formerly, an Executive Council Member of **Nagaland (Central) University as well member of numerous other university bodies and institutions**, Prof Jha has held several **administrative positions** that include: Dean, School of International Studies; Founder Head, Department of Political Science; and **Founder Coordinator**, Centre for Southern Asia Studies at Pondicherry Central University, Puducherry. He has also acted as member of **Executive Council, Academic Council and Court** of Pondicherry University.

As a **founder R G Chair Professor** at **Central University of Allahabad** as well as a **founder Director** of **UNESCO Madanjeet Singh Institute of South Asia Regional Cooperation** at Pondicherry University, he developed both the Centers from the stretch and **brought them to the world map** through his sustained dedicated hard work and leadership qualities. He has organised numerous international and national conferences and seminars, workshops and numerous distinguished lecture series in India.

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