

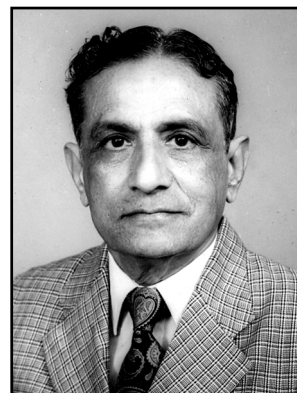
ZAIDI, Sibte Hasan

Born: April 15, 1918

Elected: 1974

Died: April 05, 2008

Sibte Hasan Zaidi received PhD (1954) from University of London, UK. He was Deputy Director and Head, Department of Experimental Medicine, Central Drug Research Institute, Lucknow; Director, Indian Institute for Experimental Medicine, Kolkata and Industrial Toxicology Research Centre, Lucknow; and Adviser to the Ministry of Railways, Laboratory of Environmental and Occupational Safety and Health, M & C Directorate, Research Designs and Standards Organization, Lucknow.



Academic and Research Achievements: Zaidi specialized in the field of ‘dust diseases’ and their relationship to respiratory infections. His research helped for the first time, to find the cause of coal-miner’s lung disease, silicosis and pneumoconiosis in coal-miners, particularly the relationship between pneumoconiosis and tuberculosis. He also authored the book: *Experimental Pneumoconiosis*.

Other Contributions: Zaidi established in Sri Lanka an Environmental Toxicology Unit under ILO auspices and Laboratory of Industrial Toxicology and Occupational Health in Rangoon (now Yangon) with WHO assistance. He served as Vice President, Expert Committee of International Register of Potentially Toxic Chemicals (UN); and as Member of Expert Committees of WHO, ILO and UNEP; also as consultant of these bodies. He edited the publication: *Environmental Pollution and Human Health* (CSIR).

Awards and Honours: Dr Zaidi obtained the Venezuelan Award of Honour by Sociedad Venezolana de Medicina Del Trabajo, SS Bhatnagar Prize (1963), Sir Ardeshirlal Dalal Memorial Gold Medal (1975), Yant Memorial Award, USA (1977), Physiology Society Gold Medal, Clinical Society Gold Medal, and Padma Shri. He was elected Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists, London, National Academy of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, National Academy of Sciences (India), Allahabad, and President of the Asian Society of Environmental and Industrial Toxicology.