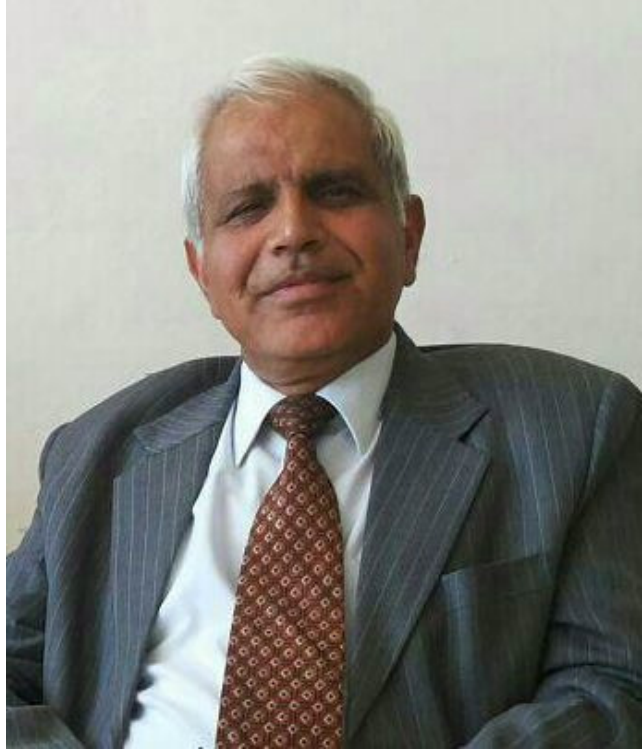


**Mr. Lal Chand**  
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Mr. Lal Chand was born on 02-01-1953 in village Khearian in Jammu district. He had education at GoleGujral, Ghou Manhasan, GGM Science College Jammu and University of Jammu. He got selected to Indian Forest Service (IFS) in 1981 and allotted to J&K State by Govt. of India. Served the J&K State Forest



Department in different capacities and retired on Superannuation on 31-01-2013 as Principal Chief Conservator of forests. He appointed as member J&K Public Service Commission on 23-07-2015 and before this he was member technical committee of the National Bio-diversity Board.

Qualification:-

- a. Academic:- M. Sc. Botany (1974): First Class First with specialization in Plant Pathology from University of Jammu.
- b. Professional: AIFC Hon's (=M.Sc Forestry) from Indira Gandhi National Forest

Academy Dehradun with Honours, was awarded curri fellowship for standing first in the batch.

### Assignments:-

After completion of trainings at Indira Gandhi National Forestry Academy Dehradun and Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration Mussourie, he joined J&K State Forest Department in 1983. After successful completion of probation worked as Dy. Conservator of forests Monitoring and Evaluation, as well as Communication and Extension and as Divisional Forest Officer in Research Jammu, Social Forestry Rajouri and Kathua forest divisions he was promoted as Conservator of Forests in 1994 and served as Regional Director Social Forestry Jammu, Joint Director State Forest Research Institute (SFRI), Conservator of Forests Jammu East Circle Jammu, Chenab Circle Doda and working Plans and Training Circle J&K. Promoted as Chief Conservator of Forests in 2004, As Addl. PCCF in 2011 and as Principal Chief Conservator in 2012. During this period served as Director SFRI J&K, Director Social Forestry J&K, Chief Conservator of Forests Kashmir, Director Soil Conservation Department J&K, Director Forest Protection Force J&K and Chairman J&K State Pollution Control Board.

During various assignments the important works carried out include concurrent evaluation reports for world bank aided Social Forestry Project, Modification in the plantation models under Social forestry programme based on field studies and development of new plantation models for dry sloping areas with a mix of trees, bushes and grasses to ensure in-situ soil and moisture Conservation as well as to ensure early returns for the local population. Carried out field trials for resin tapping which became basis for shifting to new rill method for resin tapping in the state. He was

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responsible for updating the syllabi of different training schools as well as starting of new training programme for field level Class-IV employees. Worked on development of propagation techniques for different bushes and also carried out field studies to develop management plan for different type of plantations. Ensured timely availability of sawn timber in sufficient quantity in Uri and Tangdar for reconstruction works after the Earthquake in October, 2005. He developed online consent Management system for accord of consent in favour of different industries on time and in a transparent manner in the Pollution Control Board.

**Significant reports and publications include** Social Forestry Nursery Manual, Social Forestry Technology manual, Management Plan for Eucalyptus plantations, Management plan for Khair (*Acacia catechu*), Propagation of some bushes, Forest Seed Development Project, Project for afforestation of Shiwalik Hills, Management of E-Waste in J&K, Hydrological Characteristics of Mansar, Suruinsar lakes, Management of Plastic Waste in J&K.

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