

## Dr R N Gupta steps in as National President of Indian Pharmaceutical Association

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Dr R N Gupta has been elected as the National President of the Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA), the oldest and largest association of pharmaceutical professionals in the country, for the term 2024 - 2026 (1st October 2024 - 30th September 2026).

Dr Gupta is a senior professional, with almost five decades of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, academia and research. Currently, an Adjunct Professor with NIPER – Kolkata, Dr Gupta has earlier worked with Smith Stanistreet Pharmaceuticals, Kolkata, Bihar State Pharma & Chemical Development Corporation, Patna, Eastern Chemical Industries, Cuttack and Birla Institute of Technology, Ranchi.

With over 100 research publications in peer- reviewed journals and 2 authored books on 'Pharmaceutical Marketing Management' and 'GPP or Good Pharmacy Practice in Hospital Pharmacy' respectively, he has successfully guided 8 Doctorate students. A true crusader for the profession, Dr Gupta has raised numerous issues concerning various facets of the profession through over 350 'Letters to the Editor' and has succeeded in resolving many of these in favor of the profession, through his sustained advocacy initiatives.

Interestingly his first paper "A Spot-light on GMP" published in August 1980, was subsequently inserted in Schedule M of Drugs and Cosmetics Rules in 1988. He has been expert Committee Member of IPC, PCI, DGHS and various govt Committees and Reviewer of NFI.