

About Dr. Naresh Chandra Saxena

Dr. Naresh Chandra Saxena is installed as Commissioners to the Supreme Court on the Right to Food Case due to his broad and overwhelming credentials on relevant fields. Dr. Saxena had worked as Secretary of the Planning Commission in 1999-2002 and Secretary of the Rural Development in 1997-99.

Saxena headed the Government of India (GoI) Committee on Identification of the Poor in 2009 and now chairs the Committee that looks into the implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006. Also, he is a member of the Editorial Boards of International Forestry Review, Oxford and the Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry, Stockholm. He also serves as Country Adviser of UNICEF on its programmes in India. Saxena earned a Doctorate degree in Forestry from the Oxford University in 1992 and also awarded an honorary Ph.D. degree from the University of East Anglia (UK) in 2006.