



As Director-General of Police

Name: P. Lal (Purshottam Lal

Father's Name: Shri Bishun Narain

DOB: 15 November 1946 (official). 30 October 1946 (actual)

Place of birth: Moradabad

Educational :

(1) M.Sc(Physics) -1966- Lucknow University- First Division

(2) B.Sc(Hons) (Physics)- 1965- Lucknow University- First Division

(3) B Sc.(Pass)(Physics, Chemistry , Mathematics)- 1964 - Lucknow University- First Division

(4) Intermediate -1962- Colvin Taluqdars ' College , Lucknow, UP Board of Education - First Division

(5) High School -1960- GNLD Rastogi Mahavidyalaya , Lucknow , UP Board of Education - First division

He has all through been a first divisioner and a position holder.

Family:

(1) Wife: Mrs. Geeta Lal

(2) Daughter : Ms.Purnima Lal

Service: (1) Lecturer in Physics Department , Lucknow University - 1966 to 1969

(2) Joined Indian Police Service (General Category) in 1969 and allocated to state cadre of Punjab . Superannuated in November 2006 after more than 37 years of distinguished service from the rank of Director General of Police. Served for 7 years in the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) - 5 years as DIG, and 2 years as SP.

Awards and Medals:

- (1) President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service on the occasion of Independence Day 1993.
 - (2) Indian Police Medal for Meritorious Service on the occasion of Republic Day 1987.
 - (3) Paschimi Star Medal (1971).
 - (4) Sangram Medal (1971).
 - (5) Police Special Duty Medal (Punjab) with two bars.
 - (6) 50th Anniversary of Independence Medal (1997).
 - (7) 25th Anniversary Independence Medal (1972).
 - (8) Language Proficiency Medal- National Police Academy (1970)- presented by the then Union Minister of State for Home, Government of India.
- Government of India Merit Scholarship (1960-1966).
- * Merit Scholarship by the Government of Uttar Pradesh (1958-1960).

As an author and writer :

Shri Lal has authored ten books so far , and contributed more than 125 articles to established and reputed newspapers such as The Tribune, Hindustan Times and Daily World.

Three of his books- Hindu, Hinduism and Hindutva-Bharat a Sanatana Rashtra (2023); River Saraswati and the Aryans (2022); and Gift of Life(2021) - constitute a trilogy , in the sense that in all the three , inter alia, ideas in ancient Hindu texts and those of modern science and technology on similar subjects , have been examined and an attempt has been made for fusion, synthesis , synergy and reconciliation , as far as possible. In case of conflict, reason and rationality which are the hallmark of science, have been made to prevail. Having himself been a science student , it was but natural for him to have adopted this approach.

His book " Historicity & Divinity of Shri Ram- Struggle to Reclaim Ramjanmabhoomi (2024) " explores the controversial concept of whether Shri Ram was a historical person , besides having been an incarnation of God. It also brings out the salient features of the Supreme Court judgment (2019) and points out that the disputed land in Ayodhya was ordered to be handed over to the Hindu side on the basis of well-established principles of Indian jurisprudence, and not solely on the basis of Hindu belief. The Foreword of this book was written by Shri Nripendra Misra, IAS (Retd) , former Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, and latter chairman of the temple construction committee of Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust, Ayodhya.

Shri Lal's latest two books are : Happiness, Positivity and Success(2025) ; and Condensed Version of Valmiki Ramayana in English Prose (2025).

All the ten books have been released either by Punjab Governor or Haryana Governor.

The Forewords of all the books have been written by eminent personalities . Books received wide publicity and public acclaim.

His opinion pieces to newspapers cover a wide range of subjects such as the Indian Constitution, the conflict between the Central Bureau of Investigation and state police, terrorism , corruption in public services, and Science on the concept of God . His ‘ middles’ cover a wide panorama of human behaviour , emotions , actions and reactions.

Books:

(1) THE RAMAYANA (*Ramcharitmanas*) of TULSIDAS in English Verse (With Original Hindi Text)
...Rendered into English by P. Lal (2026)

(2) Condensed Version of Valmiki Ramayana in English Prose (2025) .

(3) Happiness, Positivity and Success (2025) .

(4) Historicity & Divinity of Shri Ram- Struggle to Reclaim Ramjanmabhoomi (2024) .

(5) Hindu, Hinduism and Hindutva- Bharat a Sanatana Rashtra (2023) .

(6) River Saraswati and the Aryans (2022) .

(7) Gift of Life (2021)

(8) From the Pen of a Cop (2020)

(9) SAMM (Stories, Anecdotes and Motivational Messages) (2020)

(10) Let's laugh & laugh Hahaha...(2020)

Other Interests / Achievements :

Due to his extensive knowledge and expertise in security, policing , and on law and order matters, Shri Lal has been invited to participate in panel discussions on various TV channels .