

# INTRODUCTION OF LAUREATES

## BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

- 1942 Born in Village Sisautia, Janakpur, Nepal
- 1962 Obtained B.A. in English, Bihar University, India
- 1965 Obtained M.A. in Hindi Literature, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal
- 1966 Received the Mahendra Vidya Bhushan second class medal (Gold Medal)
- 1966-92 Professor, Tribhuvan University. Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (1966-92), Padma Kanya College (1966-71) and Campus of International Languages (1977-79)
- 1968-70 Awarded fellowships by Royal Nepal Academy to research on Maithili culture, and by the Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences to study the life-pattern of the Newars of the Kathmandu Valley
- 1975 Obtained Ph.D. in Literature, University of Delhi, India
- 1976 Received the Mahendra Vidya Bhushan first class medal
- 1993-94 Post-Doctoral Research, Indiana University, USA
- 1994-95 Joint Secretary, Nepal Election Commission
- 1995 Director, Curriculum Development Centre, Nepal
- 1996 Chief, Non-Formal Education Centre, Nepal
- 1996 Received the International Honor medal for contribution in literature in Trinidad & Tobago by the Prime Minister
- 1999 Established Maithili Women Empowerment Centre
- 1999- Member & Chief, Royal Nepal Academy, Kathmandu
- 2001-02 Editor, the *Safari Nepal*, culture and tourism oriented magazine

## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

- Nepali Kavita Bibhin Aayam* (Nepali Poetry: Different Dimensions), Sajha Publication, Kathmandu, 1987 (published in Nepali)
- Folk Culture of Nepal: An Analytical Study*, Nirala Publications, New Delhi, 1990
- Nepali Translation of Maithili Folksongs*, Safari Nepal, Kathmandu, 1992
- Cultural Heritage of Nepal Terai*, Nirala Publications, New Delhi, 1994
- Folk Tales from Mithila*, Nirala Publications, New Delhi, 1996
- Folk Festivals of Mithila*, Book Faith India, Delhi, 1998
- Maithili Culture in Nepali Languages*, Royal Nepal Academy, Kathmandu, 1999
- Pilgrimage Tourism in Nepal*, Safari Nepal, Kathmandu, 2002
- Janakpur, The Jewel of Nepal*, Nepal-Thai Chamber of Commerce, Kathmandu, 2004
- Nepalese Culture in a Nutshell*, Book Faith India, Delhi [Publishing Shortly]

\* Titles without languages are written in English.