

Dr. A. K. Mukherjee

Dr. Asish Kumar Mukherjee has been working for the welfare of the disabled for more than four decades. In the past he held many coveted positions such as Director – All India Institute of Physically Medicine and Rehabilitation – Bombay, Founder Director – Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Hearing Handicapped – Bombay, Founder Director – Rural Rehab Centre – Maharashtra, the Director General of Health Services, Government of India, the Secretary – General of the Indian Red Cross and the Chief of the Medical Council of India. He also worked as an Advisor in WHO.

He authored two books titled Disability: A Continuing Challenge and Spine Injury and Disability Care. He has been the ‘OAS’ Fellow of U.S.A., Johnson and Johnson Fellow (I.O.A.), Fellow of the British Orthopaedic Association, Fellow of the National Academy and Berry Scholar, Oxford University. He has been honoured in the past by the Indian Medical Association and various other voluntary organizations and other Institutions in the country and abroad. He has published more than 200 articles in various journals and also contributed many Chapters in National and International books.

He was invited by the United Nation to be the Ad hoc committee member for drafting International Convention on Rights for Persons with Disabilities in 2006. He is also a global advisory committee member for composing a global document on the issue of disability by WHO, Geneva. In 2007 year he was invited by Harvard Medical School to give Guest Lecture on Spinal Cord Injury and Rehabilitation.

This year he has been elected as a Member Executive Board and also he is holding Chair of Health and Function Commission of Rehab International (RI) with its headquarter in New York. RI is the oldest and largest Federation of NGOs working in disability areas globally and also enjoys Advisory status to the United Nations.

He is the Health Committee Member of Federation of India Chambers of Commerce and Industry and Confederation of Indian Industry. He has recently opened the ARA Healthcare Private Limited, a diagnostic and pharmaceutical organization in Haryana.

At present he is the Member Board of Governors and Director General of Indian Spinal Injuries Centre, New Delhi and Trusty of several voluntary organizations working in medical and social sectors.