

BIO-DATA OF MR. DIPANKAR P. GUPTA

Born on 27th February, 1934, Mr. Gupta was educated in St. Xavier's School, Calcutta and passed the Senior Cambridge School leaving Examination in 1948. He then joined St. Xavier's College, Calcutta and graduated with first class Honours in Physics, having secured the second place in the Calcutta University.

He joined Lincoln's Inn, London in January, 1953 and was called to the English Bar by the Inn on 10th May, 1955. Soon thereafter he joined the Calcutta High Court and started practising there. In 1972, he was designated as a Senior Advocate under the Advocates Act 1961.

He was the Senior Standing Counsel for the Government of West Bengal from 1972 to 1976 and the Advocate General of West Bengal till 1977. He was appointed as the Solicitor General of India in April, 1992 and occupied that position till July, 1996, when he resigned with the change in Government.

Mr. Gupta was a member of the Chief Justice of India's team in several legal exchange programmes with the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Canada.

He has co-authored the section on Arbitration law in the Halsbury's Laws of India. He is often invited to speak in Seminars and Conferences on legal topics and several of his writings have been published in journals and the print media.

He now practises as a Senior Advocate in the Supreme Court of India and in various High Courts and Tribunals. His practice extends to Constitutional and Administrative Law, Arbitration, Commercial, Property and Tax Laws, amongst other subjects on the civil side. He has appeared in several international arbitration cases.