

Biography



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Lt.Gen.D.Raghunath PVS, AVSM (retd.), is Principal Executive, Sir Dorabji Tata Centre for Research in Tropical Diseases, Indian Institute of Science Campus, Bangalore. He is a medical graduate from Grant Medical College, Mumbai (then Bombay). He holds a Diploma in Clinical Pathology and MD in Pathology / Bacteriology from Poona University, Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists and is a Fellow National Academy of Medical Sciences. Lt. Gen. Raghunath has been Professor and Head of Microbiology of the Armed Forces Medical College in the 1980s and later its Dean and Commandant. He was elevated as the Director-General, (Indian) Armed Forces Medical Services and retired from the appointment in 1997. In recognition of his distinguished service he has been awarded the Param Vishist Seva Medal and the Ati Vishist Seva Medal. He has served on the Advisory Committees of a number of research institutes National Institute of Virology, Pune, National AIDS Research Institute, Pune, National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases, Kolkata. Presently his is with ICMR Virus-Unit, Kolkata, Regional Medical Research Centre for Tribals, Jabalpur, National Institute of Epidemiology, Chennai etc. He also consults with the Indian Council of Medical Research and other national governmental bodies on Infectious Diseases matters particularly emerging infections and microbial containment facilities. He has published about 40 papers in international and national journals and his research areas include: rickettsial diseases, streptococcal infections and antibiotic susceptibility, testing and assay. He is on the Indian National Advisory Board of International AIDS Vaccine Initiative.