

PROFILE OF SHRI ASHOK KR. GADIYA

An eminent professional, educationist and nationalist, CA (Dr) Ashok Kumar Gadiya has gained a prominent position in society due to the exemplary work he has done in his career. His raise to prominence in such a short span can be attributed to his strong will power, caliber, conviction, dedication and leadership quality.

Born on 1st January 1960, Dr. Gadiya comes from a humble background. Son of Sh. Nand Lal Gadiya of Bansi, a village in District Chittorgarh, he nurtures a sense of pride in his roots that lie in the great tradition and glorious history of Mewar. He started his life in a very remote area and gradually rose to become one of the pioneering educationists of Rajasthan. He has established many educational Institutions in Chittorgarh, Delhi NCR and Ghaziabad to spread education among the young generation, belonging to rural areas, and more specifically, to under-privileged classes of society. He strongly believes that the young generation is truly sincere, dedicated and keen to adopt new practices of learning. They can enter any challenging arena and achieve success if they receive focused attention, inspiring atmosphere and a bit of extra care.

Dr. Gadiya has made a distinct contribution to modernizing and revitalizing the existing education system that had lost its vigor and become rusted over time. Dr. Gadiya's name should feature at the top for reinvigorating our education system as well as for offering modern but value-based education to the young generation.

He is of the view that in order to educate the young generation in the present scenario, the education providers (teachers) should also be regularly updated, trained and motivated. Only then there is a possibility to convert the young generation into responsible, confident and self-reliant youth of the country.

Therefore, he has developed a new mechanism to train the teachers in his institutions on a regular basis. His idea is that teachers should become mentors to their students. Mentors refer to such personalities who stand apart from the rest by virtue of their deeds and achievements, so that students get pepped up by looking up to their mentors and their stupendous feats. However, mentors not only leave their lasting footprints on the making of a society but also, and more importantly, inspire others to follow in their footsteps and attain bigger goals for the common good of mankind. Therefore he has developed counseling/mentoring system in his Educational Institutions.

From time to time, many eminent Indians from all walks of life have come forward to show their mettle. It gives me immense pleasure to state that Dr. Gadiya is the Founder of Mewar University, which has emerged as a unique seat of learning and higher education in a very short span of time. It further adds to my pleasure to bring to the notice the fact that the University has been able to achieve its avowed purpose of making higher and technical education accessible to the weaker and deprived sections of our society in such a short period.

This is testified by the University's track record so far – out of around 11500 students enrolled, 75% belong to the weaker sections (SC, ST, OBC & Minority community). The other institutions of higher education and learning established by Dr. A.K. Gadiya in Delhi and Chittorgarh are:

1. **Mewar Institute of Management**, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad (U.P.) [Approved by the UGC under 2(f) of the UGC Act and affiliated to C.C.S. University, Meerut. Conducting courses for B.B.A., M.B.E., B.C.A., M.C.S., M.I.S., B.Ed, B.Lib and M.Sc. (Biotech)]
2. **Mewar Law Institute**, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad (U.P.) [Approved by the UGC under 2(f) of the UGC Act, and by the Bar Council of India and affiliated to C.C.S. University, Meerut. Conducting courses for L.L.B. (3Yrs) & L.L.B. (5Yrs)]
3. **Mewar Girls College**, Chittorgarh [Approved by the Government of Rajasthan and affiliated to Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, Udaipur. Conducting courses for M.I.B., B.Sc (Biotech.), B.B.M., B.C.A. & P.G.D.C.A.]
4. **Mewar Girls Ayurved Nursing Centre**, Chittorgarh [Approved by Government of Rajasthan and affiliated to Rajasthan Ayurved University, Jodhpur. Conducting courses for Ayurved Nursing]
5. **Mewar Girls Industrial Training Centre**, Chittorgarh [Approved by the Government of India (NCVT) and Board of Technical Education, Jodhpur, (SCVT). Conducting courses for Computer Operator and Programming Assistant, Interior Decoration, Fashion Designing, Dress Making, English Language Proficiency and Personality Development]

6. Mewar Girls College of Teachers Training, Chittorgarh

[Approved by Government of India (NCTE) and affiliated to Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, Udaipur. Conducting courses for B.Ed., N.T.T, S.T.C]

7. Mewar Girls College of Nursing approved by the Nursing Council of India and affiliated to Rajasthan University of Health Science.

These institutions of learning exemplify the group's mission to promote quality technical and higher education. The number of students has gone up from strength to strength every year, and now it has more than 10000 students in its campuses.

Dr. Gadiya has always been at the vanguard of the social and value awakening movement that has exercised a tremendous impact on the minds of conscious individuals. At the very early stages of his career, he realized that national renaissance could not be achieved through the narrow gates of politics but through reformative education. That is why he kept himself away from politics and instead devoted himself to the field of education. He is a true educationist who has always been in search of new and innovative methods of teaching that would create interest in the minds of the young generation.

Dr. Gadiya always likes to discuss with the students the purpose of education, which, according to him, is not merely to pass examinations after learning a few facts and acquiring some skills, but to understand the complexity of life. He urges the students to appreciate their role in the creation of a 'new' world that will exist without fear, conflict or contradiction. This can be achieved only if 'right education' is provided in an atmosphere where intelligence and goodness could be nurtured without any fear.

Dr. Gadiya has an indefatigable spirit. He is aggressive in his style of working, vigorous in pursuing his objectives and always committed to put all his energy and resources to work till the goal is achieved. He is courageous and works with utmost passion, honesty, dedication and integrity. He gives due respect to all others around him possessing similar attitude.

He is a keen lover of music, fine arts, dance drama and philosophy, and he always likes to involve himself with students' academic and cultural activities. He is truly a social reformer. He likes to promote cultural activities and performances that portray our national heritage, tradition and values and

spread feeling of nationalism, cooperation, love and kindness among the people. In his journey to enrich personal wisdom, he was first inspired by his mother, who epitomized the Indian culture, tradition and values. As he entered the arena of higher education, Sh. Gunwantjee came to him like a beacon leading him to greater realization of the essence of pure life. Dr.Gadiya is also inspired by great saints of India such as Swami Vivekanand and Swami Daya Nanda Saraswati.

He works round-the- clock with determination, dedication, discipline and devotion, and to him, 'work is worship'. A strong believer in team work, he ensures the involvement of all team members in the process of decision making. He takes up all assignments with great enthusiasm and shoulders the responsibility for the outcome of all decisions. He loves to work with the young generation so as to help them emerge as confident, responsible and self-reliant citizens of India in future. He has a special fascination to be in touch with honest, patriotic, courageous, hard working and sincere personalities, making their contribution in public life or in government departments.

His mission in life is: -

- To bring smile to the faces of others by serving them with all his ability and resources.
- To work with dedication and support all activities, which are designed to serve our society and nation.
- To work for changing the present system of governance and to make it more responsible and accountable to suit the requirement of the nation and its citizens to the best possible extent. Ashokji has a penchant for socializing with intellectuals, scholars, academicians and professionals. He loves to read books on the life and work of national leaders, freedom fighters, great warriors, Sufi saints and social reformers.

In his professional life, his source of inspiration was Shri R.P. Bansal. In his social life, he has been immensely influenced by Shri Ram Bahadur Rai, an eminent journalist and Dr. Mahesh Chand Sharma, a social worker and ex-member of Parliament (Rajaya Sabha). Besides, our true national heroes such as Maharana Pratap, Bal Ganga Dhar Tilak and Mahamana Pt. Madan Mohan Malviya have always been guiding lights to him in his journey to serve the society.

After obtaining a degree of Bachelor of Commerce from Rajasthan University in 1980, he completed his CS (Inter) from the Institute of Company Secretaries

of India in 1984 and Chartered Accountancy from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi in 1988. He has also obtained the Ph.D.degree from Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan under the supervision of Prof P.K.Jain, Director FMS, Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur.

Professional Experience & Engagements:

He worked with Shri R.P.Bansal, Senior Advocate (High Court and Supreme Court) and got expertise in Law practice during 1986 to 1990. He is the Founder Member and Senior Partner of M/S Anil Ashok & Associates, Chartered Accountants, Delhi since 1988. This professional Chartered Accountant firm is engaged in the practice of Direct and Indirect Taxation, Audit, Company Law matters and Project Management and Financing. The firm has its Head Office in Delhi, three branches at Mumbai, Udaipur and Hardwar and has more than 100 qualified staff on its rolls. Besides, he is also the Founder Member and Senior Partner of Mewar Associates (Loss Assessors & Insurance Surveyors).

Contribution to Academics:

- He has been a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi since 1993.
- Chairperson of Mewar University, Chittorgarh (A University u/s 2(f) of the UGC Act 1956 established by Govt. of Rajasthan Act 4 of 2009 with the right to confer degree u/s 22 (1) of the UGC Act.)
- Chairman, Mewar Education Society, New Delhi,
- Chairman, Mewar Law Institute at Vasundhara, Ghaziabad (UP) (Approved by the Bar Council of India, New Delhi and affiliated to C.C.S.University, Meerut)
- Chairman, Mewar Girls Business School at Vasundhara, Ghaziabad (UP) (AICTE approved) Management Institution affiliated to U.P.Technical University, Lucknow (now the name has changed to **Mahamaya Technical University**, Gautam Budh Nagar.)

- Chairman, Mewar Institute of Management at Vasundhara, Ghaziabad (U.P) [An affiliated college of C.C.S University, Meerut University and approved by the UGC u/s 2(f)]
- Joint Secretary, Mewar Girls College, at Chittorgarh. (Approved by Government of Rajasthan and affiliated to MLS University, Udaipur).
- Founder Member of Aryabhata College of Engineering & Technology at Bagpat, U.P (AICTE approved college of Engineering affiliated to U.P. Technical University, Lucknow (now the name has changed to **Mahamaya Technical University**, Gautam Budh Nagar.)
- Honorary faculty member of Directorate of Training Union Territories of Civil Services, New Delhi, Govt.of NCT Delhi.
- Honorary faculty member of National Academy of Customs, Excise and Narcotics, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, New Delhi.
- Regular speaker / guest faculty for training programmes conducted by Departments of Income Tax, Sales Tax, Customs & Excise, Comptroller & Auditor General of India, New Delhi.
- Regular Guest Faculty/ Speaker at various seminars/ conferences conducted by professional bodies like ICAI, PHDCI etc. academic institutions, colleges and social organizations.

Independent Director on Boards of Management:

- Charbhujaji Marbles Private Limited, Chittorgarh (Raj.)
- Decent Environ Care Products Private Limited, Greater Kailash, New Delhi.

Intellectual & Professional Involvement:

- Associated with Yugvarta Foundation, Daryaganj, New Delhi. (Media House)

- Associated with Gyan Yagya Mandal, Shakarpur, Delhi. (Social organization)
- Member of Delhi Value Added Tax Advisory Committee, Govt. of Delhi.
- Member of Accounting Research Foundation (ARF), a research body promoted by ICAI, New Delhi. Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi.
- Member of Taxation Study Group of Northern India Regional Council, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi.
- Life Member, Youth Hostels Association of India.
- Life Member, India Islamic Cultural Centre, New Delhi.
- Founder Member of Prabash Parampara Nyas
- Ex-member of North Zone Regional Committee of Council of Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART), under the aegis of Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment, Govt. of India.
- Ex-All India General Secretary of Bharatiya Vitta Salahakar Samitee (An All India Organization of Chartered Accountants, Company Secretaries, ICWA's and other Financial Professionals)

Recognitions:

- Awarded **President Scouts Award by the President of India in 1974.**
- Awarded title of **Nagar Gaurav in 2008 by Ghaziabad Civil Society.**
- Awarded **Rashtriya Shiksha Gaurav Puraskar-2014** by Centre for Education Growth and Research New Delhi.
- Awarded **Ph.D from Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur.**
- Published numerous articles in National and International Journal
- Authored and published a book entitled "**Ab bahut ho chuka**".
- Authored a **Handbook on Delhi Value Added Tax Act, 2005.**
- Authored and published a book entitled '**Teaching and Learning Skills in University System**' jointly written by Dr. Ashok Kumar Gadiya, Chancellor, Mewar University and Dr. Ram Chandra, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Cavendish University, Zambia.

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