



Mr. VINOD RAI, IAS [Retd.]
Eleventh Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)

VINOD RAI (born on 23.05.1948) has a Masters Degree in Economics from Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi. He has a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard University, USA. He joined the Indian Administrative Service in 1972 and was allotted the Kerala cadre. In January 2008, he was appointed the eleventh Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

Vinod Rai has served in various capacities in the State Government of Kerala as well as in the Federal Government. Under his stewardship the Kerala Cooperative Marketing Federation emerged as the largest exporter of Black Pepper and other spices.

In Ministry of Commerce he set up the Spices Board, the Agriculture and Processed Foods Export Development Authority and was responsible for a large number of initiatives for development of exports. He has also served in the Ministry of Defense where he worked closely with the Indian Air Force and Indian Navy.

As Secretary in the Ministry of Finance he initiated reforms in the Banking, Insurance and Pensions sector. He set up the India Infrastructure Finance Company which also has an office in London.

Vinod Rai took over as the Comptroller & Auditor General of India on 7th January 2008. As the Comptroller and Auditor General, his responsibilities in the international arena included Chairmanship of the U.N. Panel of External Auditors and membership of the Governing Board of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI). Rai was also the Chairman of the Governing Board of the Asian Organisation of Supreme Audit Institutions (ASOSAI). He demitted the office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on 22nd May 2013.

Vinod Rai is presently a Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of South Asian Studies, in the National University of Singapore.

He has also been appointed as the first Chairman of the newly created Banks Board Bureau.

Mr Rai is a keen tennis player. His interests include gardening and mountaineering.