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Prof. Priti Saxena, born in 1965 in Bareilly, U.P., is a distinguished legal scholar holding an LL.M. (Gold Medalist), NET, and Ph.D. in Law. Prof. (Dr.) Priti Saxena holds the esteemed position of Vice Chancellor at Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla. With over thirty-three years of distinguished experience, she has made significant contributions as an author, researcher, educator, and administrator. Her academic journey reflects a profound dedication to legal scholarship and leadership.

Before joining as Vice Chancellor HPNLU Shimla She serves as the Director of the Center of Post Graduate Legal Studies, and she is the former Head of the Department of Human Rights and Dean of the School for Legal Studies at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Central University, Lucknow. Prof. Saxena has received numerous accolades, including a University Gold Medal in LL.M. and various scholarships during her academic career. In 2002, she was awarded the 'Prashasti Patra' from 'Nehru Yuva Kendra' under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India.

Prof. Saxena is the only law professor selected for the Academic Leadership Program in Higher Education (LeAP), which included a visit to Virginia University in the USA under a fellowship from the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, in 2019. In 2024, she completed the Nurturing Future Leadership Program (NFLP) from IIM Rohtak.

Her expertise includes Constitutional Law, Constitutional Governance, Torts, and Human Rights. She has authored two books, "Preventive Detention and Human Rights" (2007) and a co-authored book, "Right to Information" (2013), and has edited four books. Prof. Saxena has published over 85 research papers and articles in national and international law journals, including the LDR, Journal of Indian Law Institute, Elixir International Journal, and the Journal of IIPA.

She has organized numerous international conferences, webinars, national seminars, and symposiums on contemporary legal issues. She has also led national moot courts, faculty development programs, and workshops on research methodology. Under her supervision, 18 students have been awarded Doctor of Philosophy degrees, and approximately 170 LL.M. dissertations have been completed.

Prof. Saxena has participated in and presented papers at over 200 international, bi-national, and national conferences, seminars, and webinars. She has been a key speaker and resource person at prestigious institutions such as Buffalo University (New York, USA), Lomonosov Moscow State University (Russia), National University of Singapore, University of Colombo, and University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka. She has delivered over 350 keynote, inaugural, and valedictory addresses as a Guest of Eminence, Guest of Honour, Chief Guest, and Visiting Fellow at various universities and institutions, including the National Human Rights Commission, State Human Rights Commission, National Judicial Academy, Bhopal and the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India.

Prof. Saxena is a life member of the Indian Law Institute, Indian Institute of Public Administration, and Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health. She holds key positions in various academic, administrative, and advisory bodies, including government bodies, state commissions, UPSC, UGC, NAAC, BCI, and universities.

She served as a member of the Learning Outcomes Curriculum Framework Committee (LOCF) established by the UGC, where she played a pivotal role in designing courses in the postgraduate Human Rights program across India. She has established a Centre for a one-year LL.M. program.

She has contributed to policy papers on the rights of disabled persons and serves as a legal expert on panels under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015. Prof. Saxena is deeply involved in social responsibility, community outreach, and co-curricular activities. She has served as the President of the Staff Club at BBA University and has actively participated in state-level sports. Her extension activities include adult education programs, debates, and cultural initiatives aimed at promoting social justice.

Prof. Saxena is dedicated to making a difference in people's lives by providing legal aid and guidance through various media platforms. Her YouTube channel is popular among students for its educational content on legal issues. She is highly motivated, sincere, honest, and hardworking, making her well-suited for both academic and administrative roles.