



CURRICULUM VITAE OF HIS EXCELLENCY DR. SHEEL KANT SHARMA, AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF INDIA AND CHAIRMAN OF THE G-77 - VIENNA CHAPTER 2005

Academic Background:

Master of Science (Nuclear Physics) from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Mumbai (1971)
Ph.D. (High Energy Physics) from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Mumbai (1974)

Professional Background:

July 1973 :	Joined Indian Foreign Service
1976-77 :	Served as Third Secretary/Second Secretary in Kuwait/Saudi Arabia
1978-81 :	Under Secretary in the Middle East desk, Ministry of External Affairs covering at various stages countries from Iran, Iraq to North Africa
1981-82 :	Fellow in the Institute of Defence Studies & Analysis (IDSA), N. Delhi
1982-83 :	Deputy Secretary (North), Ministry of External Affairs, dealing with Nepal and Bhutan.
1983-86 :	First Secretary (Disarmament), Permanent Mission of India, Geneva and Alternate Representative of India to UN Conference

on Disarmament.

1986-89 :

Counsellor and Deputy Chief of Mission,
Embassy of India, Algiers

1989-91 :

Director (United Nations Division) and
Disarmament Head, Ministry of External
Affairs, New Delhi

1991-94 :

Joint Secretary (South & Disarmament),
Ministry of External Affairs in-charge of
India's relations with ASEAN, Indo-China
and South Pacific.

1994-2000 :

Seconded to the International Atomic
Energy Agency, Vienna for the post of
senior professional in External Relations
& Policy Coordination Division, for a job
as international civil servant.

Sept.2000 - July 2003 :

Returned to MEA in India as Joint
Secretary (Disarmament & International
Security Affairs), covering all
disarmament issues, bilateral security
dialogues and dialogues on nuclear non-
proliferation, export controls and defence
Cooperation, security forums such as
ARF, CICA, UNSC and other ad hoc
groupings on security issues such as
Pugwash.

July 2003 - July 2004 :

Additional Secretary (International
Organisations), Ministry of External
Affairs with previous charge expanded to
include other international organisations.

28 July 2004 onwards :

Ambassador of India to Austria and
Permanent Representative of India to all
international organisations in Vienna

Publications:

Research articles co-authored in Physical
Review-D (1971), Physical Review
Letters (1972)

Articles in newspapers and periodicals
(Times of India, Mainstream and Sunday)
during 1981-82 on nuclear disarmament
issues

As Member of the UN Study Group on Verification (1989-91) co-authored the UN Report on Verification in 1991

As Member of the UN Study Group on Defensive Security Concepts (1991-93), co-authored the UN Report on Defensive Security Concepts

Wrote a UNIDIR Monograph on Verification of Fissile Materials Cut-Off and Non-use of Nuclear Weapons (1992)

Article in the IAEA Bulletin - 1995

Paper presented at the Pugwash Conference on Energy in Malta (1995)

Co-authored UN panel's report on missile in all their aspects in 2002

Conferences attended as representative of India/delegate:

Non-Aligned Summit, New Delhi (1983)

Kulala Lumpur (2003), Annual Six Nation Summits on Nuclear Disarmament (1985-89)

Conference on Disarmament (1983-86)

United Nations General Assembly (1983-86, 2000-2003)

U.N. Disarmament Commission (1984-86, 2001)

UN Conference Rio+5 (1997)

IAEA General Conference (1994-99) and since 2004

International Conferences on Nuclear and Energy Issues (1994-99)

ARF Ministerial Meetings (2000-04)

Languages:

French and Arabic

Hobbies and Extra-curricular Interests:

Literature, readings on science & technology. Member of India International Centre and India Habitat Centre;

Sports and Leisure:

Basketball, Tennis, Swimming, Yoga, Chess