

**Prof P L Tandon** 

Prof P L Tandon was born in Etah a small town of UP in 1927.

He did his schooling from Etah and Agra. He did his MBBS in the year 1951 from Govt Medical College, Agra. Though he wanted to pursue MD Medicine but Prof PN Wahi the then Head of the Dept of Pathology wanted him to join MD Pathology, and he agreed. After completing his MD Pathology under Prof PN Wahi, he joined as a Reader in Gandhi Medical college Bhopal in the year 1956 after a short stint as Demonstrator in Patiala Medical College, and there was no looking back since then .The youngest Prof at the age of 32, the founder of Dept of Pathology ,Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal, he has left a legacy that is inspiring and formidable. He was an active member of IAPM. He organised the National Conference of IAPM in the year 1973 at Gandhi Medical College Bhopal which was attended by the legends of Pathology like Dr Ramalingaswami, Dr P N Wahi, Dr HD Tandon, Dr J L Monga. It was a big achievement for the state of Madhya Pradesh. The next APCON 2017 in Bhopal was organised by his daughter Dr Reeni Malik after a gap of 44 years. After serving for more than three decades in Bhopal, he was Dean, MGM Medical College, Indore followed by Dean, Gajra Raja Medical College Gwalior and finally retired as Director Medical Education, Govt of Madhya Pradesh in 1989. He was a renowned Histopathologist of not only Madhya Pradesh but also at the National level.

He was actively practising Pathology post-retirement too for decades together till he breathed his last on 22nd April 2024 at 97 years of age leaving behind his wife and two sons and two daughters all of whom are doctors and his daughter Dr Reeni Malik and one son Dr Puneet Tandon are Pathologists.