

Dr. K. P. Ittaman

With profound grief and sorrow we, the members of the Indian Association for the Study of Population, condole the death of renowned Social Scientist, Dr. K. P. Ittaman, Ex-Deputy Registrar General (Social Studies) who left for his heavenly abode on 15th January, 1993. His untimely demise has left a void in the hearts of all his friends who will ever remember him fondly as a person of extreme kindness and helpful nature.

Dr. Ittaman joined the Social Studies Division of the Office of the Registrar General, India in the beginning of 1962. He started his career with the lowest technical post of Junior Investigator and due to hard work and calibre he became the head of the Division and retired as the Deputy Registrar General in October, 1991. Along with discharging his official duties he kept his academic interest of tribal research alive. He conducted field research among the Amini Islanders for which he was awarded Ph.D. His commendable achievement was the successful conduct of the special survey of castes and tribes in Jammu & Kashmir in 1987-88. Based on the findings of this survey, the Government of India notified certain communities as Scheduled Tribes in that State.

Dr. Ittaman was a guide and philosopher to his subordinates, a beloved cooperative friend to his colleagues and a dependable dedicated worker to his senior officers. He was a pious devotee who devoted his post retirement life for completing the construction of holy temple of Lord Guruvayuppan in traditional pattern and in its solemn rites in Delhi.

We pay our homage to the departed soul.

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