



Capt. Vikas Gupta, Veteran
Chairman, U.P. Council of Agricultural Research, Lucknow

Capt. Vikas Gupta, a veteran, has been appointed as Chairman, U.P. Council of Agricultural Research on March 9, 2019. He was born in Bharthna, Distt. Etawah (U.P.), on June 11, 1970. He belongs to the family of freedom fighters, and both the grandfather as well as the maternal grandfather were great freedom fighters in Uttar Pradesh. Capt. Vikas Gupta has done his B.Tech. in mechanical engineering from the Institute of Engineering and Technology, Lucknow in 1993.

Capt. Vikas has vast experience in both the central government and Corporate world, social as well as political fields. He began his career with Lohia Machines Limited, Kanpur, then joined the Indian Army as a commissioned officer in 1994 and served a tenure with the elite Bomb Disposal Company, New Delhi Cantt. He is an acclaimed Bomb disposal and detection expert, and carried out post-blast investigations of various incidents. He has done commando course, Bomb disposal and detection. course, the IEDs course of the Indian Army. He has given extensive training to IB, CBI, RAW, NSG, CRPF, and other parliamentary forces. He also had a stint in Prime Minister's Security during 1997-1999.

Capt. Vikas joined Revenue Services after clearing Union Public Service Commission exam in 2001. He served there on the Central Board of Excise and Customs, New Delhi. He resigned in 2007. Capt. Vikas joined the social and political field in 2008 and exposed various scams in the country, like the NRHM scam, the Yadav Singh scam, DND Toll Scam, Andhra Pradesh Power Scam, etc. He was also a member of the Manifesto Draft Committee of the BJP for Lok Sabha Poll 2019.

After assuming the charge of Chairman UPCAR, he has undergone various reforms in the council and developed a well-coordinated platform to work as a think tank by promoting coordination amongst various agriculture universities, departments, and institutions. The council, under his leadership, is determined to enhance the farmers' income and overall prosperity of the farming sector, which is widely acclaimed by Hon'ble CM Yogi Adityanath ji at various forums.

Capt. Vikas is married to Ekta Gupta and has two children. His family stays in Noida, U.P.