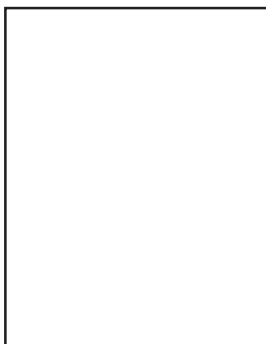


OBITUARY

Sourindra Bose
(10.4.1936 – 15.12.06)



The chill morning on Friday, 15th December 2006 saw the icy hands of death silencing the bubbling Bose in his bed at his residence in Shahid Nagar, Bhubaneswar.

Sourinder Bose, born on 10.4.1936 joined the Indian Forest Service in 1960 on completion of 2 year training course at IFC, Dehra Dun. He served the Forest Department in different capacities with dedication and sincerity. He superannuated while holding charge of the Forest Department as Principal Chief Conservator of Forest. He was respected, admired and liked by one and all, subordinates and seniors, with equal fervour for his kind and compassionate attitude. He was an excellent sportsman, the spirit of which pervaded his entire life period and finally he embraced death sportingly.

In the Forest College, he known as 'horse' for which our batch (1958-61) was known as the 'four horses of Orissa'. We four were often identified as one throughout the service career and even now. With the loss of Sourindra Bose, the group of four has become lame and lost.

Bose was a person par excellence both in head and heart. He was simple, cheerful, but stylish. He had all the qualities of nobility. He was very caring, affectionate, respectful and ego-less. He was calm in adversities and absorbed all ups and downs of life in equal stride without anger or anxiety. The very quality of humanness in him earned him a large number of ardent admirers who considered him an ideal friend, brother and companion.

Bose is survived by two married daughters, both well placed in life and a loving wife mourning his untimely journey to the other world.

With the demise of Bose, his family (mother, brothers, sisters, wife and children), friends, admirers and a host of others have been left mourning his permanent absence. May God give his family strength to bear the loss with fortitude and patience.

We used to call him 'director obituary'. Unfortunately, the irony of fate is that now we are writing his obituary.

Let God grant celestial peace to his departed soul.

- CRM, LKJ, MFA