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M.A. RASHID (1924 - 2007)

It is with great sorrow that we report the sad demise Shri M.A. Rashid, a prominent wildlifer, disciplined forester and efficient administrator, on 6th December 2007, at the age of 83 years.

Shri Rashid retired in 1982 as Special Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden, Gujarat State.

Shri Rashid was known for his love for wildlife, knowledge, discipline, strictness and courage.

He will be ever remembered for his contribution to the conservation of wildlife. The network of Protected Areas expanded significantly under his leadership. Notable additions to PAs during his period are Gir National Park and Velavader National Park. He also authored an informative book on the Asiatic Lion in 1993.

After retirement he was closely associated with various organisations in the field of wildlife conservation.

He is survived by one son and daughters.

May the Almighty rest his soul in heaven.

– P.K.