

## **Bio-data**

### **Manohar Singh Gill (1936 - )**

#### ***Bureaucrat, Chief Election Commissioner and Politician***

Born in undivided Punjab on 14 June, 1936 ; Edu. St. George's College, Mussoorie and University of Cambridge; Career. Deputy Commissioner and Collector, Lahaul and Spiti (now in Himachal Pradesh), 1961-62, Collector, Ambala (now in Haryana) and Jalandhar (Punjab), 1965-67, lead the Indian contingent to the Mexico Olympics 1968, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister of Punjab, 1977-80, organized and led the Sokoto Agriculture Development Project, Nigeria, funded by World Bank, 1981-85, Development Commissioner, Punjab, 1985-88, Secretary, Department of Chemicals, Petro-Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals, Government of India, 1988-92, Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives, Government of India 1992-93, Election Commissioner of India, 1993-96, Chief Election Commissioner of India, 1996-2001, Elected to Rajya Sabha, April 2004; Member, Committee on Agriculture Permanent Special Invitee, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of External Affairs, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Civil Aviation, August 2005 - April 2008, Board of Institute of Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), Stockholm, Sweden, International Centre for Democratic Transition (ICDT), Budapest, Hungary, January. 2006 and Indian Council of World Affairs, January. 2006 – April 2010, President, India-Poland Parliamentary Friendship Group, Sept. 2007, Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs and Public Distribution, August. 2010-August.2011, Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh, May 2012 – October 2013, Committee on External Affairs, August. 2012 - August. 2013, Committee on Urban Development, December. 2012 - May 2014, Committee on

Chemicals and Fertilizers, September.2014-April 2015, and Committee on Security in Parliament House Complex, April 2015-April 2016; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India and Ex-officio Vice-President, Parliamentary Forum on Youth, 6 April 2008 - 22 May 2009, Youth Affairs and Sports, 28 May 2009- 18 January 2011 and Minister of Statistics and Programme Implementation, 19 January 2011- 12 July 2011, re-elected to Rajya Sabha, Second Term from April 2010-April 2016; retired from Rajya Sabha on 9th April 2016; Awards, Nishan-e-Khalsa,1999, Padma Vibhushan Award and Dadabhai Naoroji New Millennium International Award, 2000. President Emeritus, The Himalayan Club since 1999.

His publications include, *Himalayan Wonderland: Travels in Lahaul – Spiti, Folk Tales of Lahaul, An Assessment of the Green Revolution in India* in J.G.Hawkes (edited), *Conservation and Agriculture, Agricultural Cooperatives : A Case Study of Punjab, The Electoral System in India, Election Commission of India, Elections in India - Major Events and New Initiatives*, etc.

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4	Papers relating to Commonwealth Games Delhi 2010. Include, 'Main Report of the High Level Committee – Organisation and Conduct of Commonwealth Games 2010' and Annexures to the Main Report of the High Level Committee'	2011	1116	Typed English
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II	<b><u>Ravi- Beas Water Dispute</u></b>			
6	Booklets published by Institute of Sikh Studies, Chandigarh entitled, ‘Punjab Waters – SYL Canal’, and, ‘Scramble for Punjab Waters’, by Gurudev Singh relating to Ravi – Beas water dispute.	2002- 2004	172	Printed English
7	Official papers, correspondence documents and press clippings relating to the Ravi – Beas water dispute. Includes letters to Dr. M.S. Gill from Captain Amarinder Singh Chief Minister of Punjab, Suresh Kumar (Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab), regarding the Ravi – Beas Water Dispute, copy of Act No. 17 of 2004, passed by the Punjab Legislature, verdict of the Supreme Court regarding Satluj – Yamuna link Canal between the State of Haryana and Punjab, index regarding the case, and news items published in Indian newspapers like, <i>The Hindustan Times</i> , <i>Sunday Tribune</i> , <i>The Hindu</i> , <i>Ajit Samachar</i> , <i>The Asian Age</i> , <i>The Tribune</i> and <i>The Indian Express</i>	2004	271	Typed English, Hindi and Punjabi

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**III Miscellaneous Papers**

8	Miscellaneous papers include official papers regarding damage to Hoist Chamber at Bhakra Nangal Dam, a letter from Inderjit Singh Jaijee, regarding the worsening agrarian crisis in Punjab and list of rural suicides in Lehra and Andana Blocks	1959-2004 (With gaps)	150	Typed English
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I	Research article entitled, 'Sino- Indian Border Reconsidered', by Neville Maxwell, published in <i>Economic and Political Weekly</i>	10 April 1999	14	Typed English
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