## Shibdas Bandyopadhyay, Honorary Visiting Professor

Professor Bandyopadhyay retired from the Indian Statistical Institute as a Professor in Higher Academic Grade. He obtained his B. Stat. and M. Stat. degrees from ISI and Ph. D. from University of Minnesota, USA.

His first faculty position was in University of California, Davis. He then came back to India and joined ISI.

He was a visiting faculty at Universities of Minnesota and Wisconsin. He was active in teaching and research with over 55 publications in refereed international and national journals, books and proceedings and sponsored project reports. He guided a scholar for ISI Ph. D.

Professor Bandyopadhyay served the institute as Head (Biometry Research Unit), Head (Computer Science Unit), Professor-in-charge (Applied Statistics, Surveys and Computing Division) and Head of Sampling and Official Statistics Unit at its opening.

At the national level, he served as a Member in NSSO Governing Council, in ICMR Task Force for National Malaria Eradication Programme, in DST Committee on Natural Resource Data Management System Projects, in the Technical Committee to Suggest Improvement of Statistical System in West Bengal, as a Special Invitee in the Technical Advisory Committee on Inflation Expectation Survey of Reserve Bank Of India, Special in the National Income Advisory Committee, as Special invitee in Working Groups of various NSS Rounds; as Chairman of NSS 72nd Round and Member of the National Statistical Commission, Government of India.

At the International level, served as Member-secretary, Board of Directors of the International Statistical Education Centre when it functioned under the auspices of UNESCO, Statistical Consultant of the Ford Foundation for rice research in Eastern India, Member of Research project team of Ford Foundation, Rockefeller Foundation and the Institute for Developing Economies, Japan, Member of ESCAP/SIAP Expert Group on Statistical Training and Education, Organiser at New Zealand Third in International Conference on Teaching Statistics (Session: International Statistical Institute on Training Junior Statistical Staff in Developing Countries).