

Name	Dr Rajendra Bohara
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Date of Birth	16 June 1960
Profile for FIPMO Website	Medical doctor with master's in public health,
Work Experience	I began my professional career as a Government Medical Officer in 1989, where I gained valuable experience in public health and clinical services. My early years in government service provided me with a strong foundation in healthcare delivery and deepened my commitment to improving the health and well-being of communities. In 1998, I joined the WHO Country Office in Nepal as the National Coordinator for Polio Eradication. This was a significant milestone in my career and marked the beginning of my long-term association with the World Health Organization. In this role, I worked closely with the government, health partners, and communities to strengthen polio eradication activities, including immunization, surveillance, and outbreak response. The experience gave me an opportunity to contribute to one of the most important global public health initiatives of our time. In 2014, I moved to the WHO Country Office in Myanmar as a Medical Officer supporting the Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI). My responsibilities included providing technical support to the national immunization programme, strengthening routine immunization services, and contributing to strategies aimed at increasing vaccination coverage and reaching underserved populations.

	In 2016, I joined the WHO Country Office in Bangladesh as Team Lead for the Expanded Programme on Immunization. In this position, I led and supported a team of Surveillance and Immunization Medical Officers working with the Government of Bangladesh and other partners to strengthen immunization programmes. I contributed to programme planning, policy development, capacity building, disease surveillance, and the introduction and scale-up of new vaccines and immunization initiatives. After many years of dedicated service in public health and immunization, I retired from the World Health Organization at the end of June 2025. Looking back, I feel privileged to have contributed to national and global efforts in disease prevention, polio eradication, and immunization. My career has been a rewarding journey of service, learning, collaboration, and commitment to improving public health.
Institutional Affiliation	
Core Areas of Expertise and Experience	➤ Immunization and VPD surveillance ➤ Polio eradication, control or elimination of measles, MNT and Rubella ➤ Introduction of new vaccines
Areas of interest for contributions/ technical inputs	➤ Public health ➤ Immunization, disease control and new vaccine introduction
Academic Qualification	➤ I did my MD from Institute of Medicine, USSR followed by Masters in public Health from University of Oklahoma, US