

## **OBITUARY**

**Dr. N.S. Jodha (1937-2020)**



The Indian Society of Agricultural Economics deeply mourns the sad demise of Dr. N.S. Jodha on February 18, 2020 at the age of 83. He was an agricultural economist of national and international eminence and made outstanding contribution in the field of natural resource management and environmental economics.

Dr. Jodha did his Masters from Delhi School of Economics and obtained his Ph.D from University of Rajasthan. During his career he worked with CAZRI, Jodhpur, IARI New Delhi and various government institutions before shifting to different CGIAR Centers in India and overseas including ICRISAT Hyderabad and IITA East Africa. He briefly served the Environment Resources Division at the World Bank. He moved from arid and semi-arid tropics to focus on mountain regions as head of Mountain Farming Division at ICIMOD Kathmandu.

Dr. Jodha was Life Member of the Society. He presided over the sixty-eighth Annual Conference of the Society held at Andhra University, Visakhapatnam in 2008. The theme of his presidential Address was "Mountain Agriculture: Development Policies and Perspectives". His pioneering work covered famine and poverty, common property resources, mountain development and climate change. He has published a number of books. The grief of Dr. Jodha's loss is shared by his professional colleagues, office bearers of the Society and his large circle of friends.