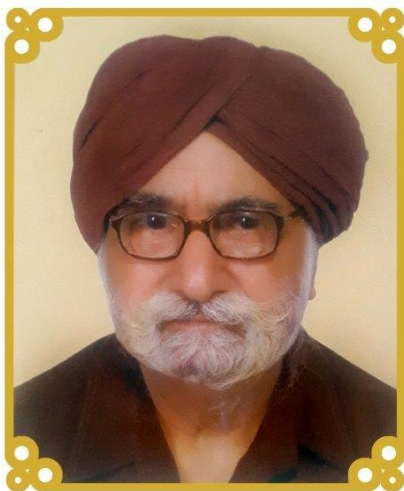


## NIPER Mourns Death of PROF. HARKISHAN SINGH, PADMA SHRI Awardee



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Professor Harkishan Singh, a prominent medicinal chemist and pharmaceutical history researcher, breathed his last peacefully in sleep at his residence in Chandigarh on March 20, 2020. He had been considered as the driving force behind the establishment of the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) at S.A.S. Nagar. It was under his visionary thinking that NIPER became a brand worldwide. As a pharmaceutical historian, Prof. Singh had examined the history of pharmaceutical developments in India of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. His history research studies have been on pharmacopoeias and formularies, pharmaceutical education, pharmacy practice, biographies of pharmaceutical luminaries, growth of pharmaceutical industry, and pharmaceutical journalism. He had published over eighty articles, nine history books and the series of volumes on Views and Reviews, apart from other treatises. He had in his personal library 1700 volumes related to the history of medico-pharmaceutical development in India. This unique archival collection has been donated to the institute and is housed at the Pharmaceutical Heritage Centre, NIPER, SAS Nagar.

**Prof. Singh received *Padma Shri* in 2017 in recognition of his contributions. NIPER family mourns his sad demise and salutes his vision for establishment of the institute.**