## **Bhagwant Singh Bishnoi**

Shri Bhagwant Singh Bishnoi, an officer of the 1983 batch of the Indian Foreign Service joined as Member, Competition Commission of India on 17th July, 2019. He has 35 years of wide ranging experience in Government, both at Headquarters and in India's diplomatic Missions abroad. Shri Bishnoi's last assignment was Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand. He has also served as Ambassador to Ethiopia and Djibouti, as well as to the UN, UN-ESCAP and the African Union. Shri Bhagwant Singh Bishnoi has held various posts dealing with international economic issues. These includes two assignments in the Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations in New York (as Ambassador/DPR and earlier as Counsellor Economic) and also two terms in the Permanent Mission of India to UN-ESCAP (as Ambassador/PR and also as Deputy Permanent Representative). He has been Joint Secretary (Multilateral Economic Relations) Division in the Ministry of External Affairs. In this capacity, he dealt with the foreign policy dimension of India's international economic engagement, including membership of all plurilateral groupings and FTAs. Shri Bishnoi has a bachelor's degree in Engineering from BITS, Pilani and an MBA from IIM, Bangalore. Apart from English and Hindi, he is fluent in Spanish.