

## OBITUARY



Dr. Youraj Chandra Mathur was born in 1934. Dr YC Mathur grew up at an age when medicare was not even in its infancy in India. Dr Mathur was particularly concerned about child mortality in his childhood having lost his brother and a few playmates at a very tender age. This inspired him to be a doctor, and more importantly a child specialist. He passed his MBBS in 1957, DCH in 1958 and MD in 1961. He joined AP Medical Services in 1958 and worked as Assistant Professor in Niloufer Hospital since 1962. Dr YC Mathur pioneered the concept of Social Pediatrics to offer a package of comprehensive healthcare. He started the Hyderabad mix (Vegetable Protein Mix) in association with NIN to bridge up the calorie gap- in Rural areas and Urban Slums, which is emulated now in various National and International Programs. He held the post of President of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics (National Executive). He had been a mentor to many senior IAP members in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, and all over India. In his demise the Indian Academy of Pediatrics has lost one of its illustrious sons. The IAP conveys its condolences to the family and pays homage to the departed soul.