

Sanjoy Keshari Swain
State Information Commissioner

Born in the village of Tillo under Bhadrak District on 19th Sept, 1958, Shri Sanjoy Keshari Swain held multiple feathers in his cap in his service spanning over 28 years. He holds a keen interest in Oratory as well as Social service. He prefers keeping himself updated with the ongoing social and political issues and has contributed to various television and radio programs, on different socio-legal topics. He was also involved in multiple training programs for State as well as Central Civil Servants, on legal matters.

He completed his primary and secondary school education from the local schools and Intermediate in Science (ISc) from Bhadrak College, Bhadrak. He then obtained his Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree from Anandapur College, Keonjhar and went on to pursue LL.B. in M.S. Law College, Cuttack. He then received his LL.M. Degree from P.G. Dept. of Law, Utkal University, Vanivihar, Bhubaneswar. He came out successful in the Orissa Judicial Services (O.J.S.) examination in 1988 and joined the State Judicial Service soon after.

During his tenure in the judicial service, Shri Swain served in various positions across different departments. He held multiple positions in the State judiciary, including Civil judge and Sr. Civil judge in various parts of the State. In the year 2010, he joined as the Dy. Commissioner of Endowments, Odisha on Deputation under the Law Dept., Govt. of Odisha.

Thereafter, he joined as the Head of the Legal Wing of Paradip Port Trust under the Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India. As a part of his service, he handled various cases of the Port Trust in different High Courts, Tribunals and the Supreme Court of India and played a key role in securing favourable outcomes for the cases on behalf of the Port Trust.

From the year 2013 to 2016, He served as the A.L.R. cum Addl. Secretary to Govt., Law Dept. & also as the Legal advisor to the Honourable Governor of Odisha, where he rendered his legal opinion on multiple Constitutional, Legislative and Administrative matters.

He also had the privilege to work as the Family judge & Addl. District Judge, Rourkela. He completed his tenure in the Judicial Service as the District & Sessions Judge, Angul.