Composition of the Authority

The Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA) was constituted on 26.10.2010 under the Warehousing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007 vide Government of India Gazette Notification dated 26th October 2010. The Act provides for the establishment of the WDRA to exercise the powers conferred on it and to perform the functions assigned to it under the Act, Rules and Regulations for the development and regulation of warehouses, negotiability of warehouse receipts and promote orderly growth of the warehousing business in the country.

The WDRA is a Statutory Authority under the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Government of India. The Authority has its Headquarters in New Delhi.

The Authority consists of a Chairperson and two Members appointed by the Central Government. Present Composition of the Authority is as follows:

1. Shri G.C. Chaturvedi, IAS (Retd.), Chairman

An IAS officer of 1977 batch (UP Cadre), with Administrative experience of about 36 years. Superannuated on 31st January 2013 as Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India. He took over the charge as Chairman, WDRA, on 25.08.2015. Before that, he was Member, WDRA, form 07.02.2014 to 24.08.2015.

2. Dr. B.B. Pattanaik, Member

Dr. B.B. Pattanaik joined as Member, WDRA, on 12.09.2016. Dr. Pattanaik was Managing Director, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) from July 2008 till Sept 2014. He is a Gold Medalist in M.Sc. (Agriculture) in Entomology form Banaras Hindu University. He joined the Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC), a Government of India PSU under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, in February 1979 and had about 36 years of experience in Public Sector management.

Dr. Pattanaik also worked as Joint Commissioner (Storage & Research) in the Department of Food & Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Government of India, and was overall in-charge of storage and quality control of stocks under PDS.

Dr. Pattanaik was also the CMD, National, Seeds Corporation Ltd. (NSC) from September 2004 to June 2008.

Dr. Pattanaik was a Director on the Boards of Food Corporation of India, Central Railside Warehouse Company Ltd., National Multi Commodity Exchange, Fertilizer Association of India and elected member of SCOPE Executive Board.

Dr. Pattanaik was a GOI nominee on the Society of Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Indore.

3. Shri Petluri Srinivas, Member

Shri P. Srinivas joined as Member, WDRA on 10.01.2017. Shri Srinivas was Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of United Bank of India from 31.12.2014 to 30.06.2016. He was a Rank Holder in B.E. (Mechanical Engg with Marine as Elective) from Andhra University, Vishakhapatnam and P.G. Diploma holder in Human Resources from IGNOU, New Delhi.

Shri P. Srinivas joined Andhra Bank as a Probationary Officer in November 1978 and has worked till June 2012 as General Manager. On promotion, he took charge as Executive Director, Bank of Baroda till he joined as MD & CEO, United Bank of India.

Shri Srinivas was also the Nominee Director on India First Life Insurance Company Limited, a Joint venture promoted by Andhra Bank, Bank of Baroda and Legal & General. He was also on the Board of National Payments Corporation of India. Shri Srinivas served as a Nominee Director on National Insurance Company Limited.