

Profile

Shri Gulab Chand Kataria is the 37th Governor of Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court, Mr. Sheel Nagu administered the oath of office to the new Governor on July 31, 2024. Prior to this, he was the 31st Governor of Assam for the period from 22.02.2023 to 30.07.2024. He was the former Home Minister of Rajasthan and the leader of the opposition in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly prior to his appointment as the Governor of Assam.

Some of the notable achievements credited to him are he was the Home Minister in the Government of Rajasthan from 31st May 2004 to 8th December 2008 and again from 2015 to 2018. He was a senior leader of the BJP from Rajasthan and was also a member of the central working committee of the party. He hails from Udaipur and represented it in the 9th Lok Sabha, from 1989-1991. He was also the Leader of the Opposition in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly from 24th August 2002 to December 2003, again from 21st February 2013 to 10th December 2013, and from 17th January 2019 to 2023 till his appointment as the Governor of Assam.

Shri Gulab Chand Kataria served as the Education Minister of the State from 1993 to 1998. He also served as Minister, Public Works Department from 8th December 2003 to 30th May 2004. He was the Minister, Panchayati Raj and Rural Development, Disaster Management and Relief Department from 2013 to 2015.

Hailing from Udaipur, Rajasthan, Shri Kataria was born on 13th October 1944. He pursued his Masters in Geography from Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur. He also studied Law from Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur. He received the Excellent Teacher Award by Jiwanmal Nahata Memorial Trust, New Delhi on 5th September 2006.