

## **KIRAN BEDI**

Dr Kiran Bedi is the first woman in India to have joined the officer ranks of Indian Police Service. She served in it for 35 years and moved up to the highest rank, as Director General, Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Government of India.

Dr Bedi served as Police Advisor to the Secretary General in United Nations, in the Department of Peace Keeping Operations in New York.

She is recipient of The Ramon Magsaysay Award, also called Asia's Nobel Peace Award for bringing about a positive relationship between Police and the People.

Dr Bedi is a Law graduate, Masters, and a PhD Scholar from IIT Delhi, with post doctoral Nehru Fellowship. She is an author of several books such as "I Dare", "It's Always Possible", "Creating Leadership and more..."

Dr Bedi has been voted as the most admired and trusted woman in India by Readers Digest, The Week Magazine, and others over the years. She has a biopic on her life called, Yes Madam Sir, made by an Australian film maker.

She is running two NGOs, NAVJYOTI and India Vision Foundation which reach out to marginalised sections of society in education, skills development, in urban and rural areas, including prisons.

She is an academic and is a visiting faculty with Iclif, a Leadership Training Institute in Malaysia. As of now she has around 10 million followers on social networks. Her Twitter handle is @thekiranbedi

Assumed the Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry on 29th May, 2016.

**Dare To Do! For the New Generation** is Kiran Bedi's very revealing autobiography depicting her experiences as a woman police officer and her achievements as a social worker. It illustrates how Kiran, a woman who came to be known as the most renowned IPS officer of India, coped with the challenges she faced as a part of her duty, which involved all aspects of policing. What does her credit is the way she handled it with a feminine compassion without compromising the principles of justice, and abode by justice without being judicious. However, her journey was by no means a cake-walk. She encountered many vested interests on her way – and successfully defeated them.

After her taking voluntary retirement from her services as an IPS officer in December 2007, she continued the good work in a new direction by empowering different communities through her two non-profit organizations. Dare To Do! Also contains a very interesting chapter on Women Empowerment, and her views on the subject.