Dr Pradeep Vyas, born on 10<sup>th</sup> September 1963 at Ajmer (Rajasthan) had initial schooling at Prem Shanti Public School and Mahaveer Digambar Jain Higher Secondary School Jaipur. He stood First in Merit List in Rajasthan in the Rajasthan Board Exams for Class 10<sup>th</sup> and stood second in Merit List in Rajasthan in the Rajasthan Board Exams for Class 11<sup>th</sup>. After Higher secondary he went on to join IIT Delhi in Electrical Engineering in the year 1979 for a short while before shifting to Biology stream and did his MBBS (1980 Batch) and MD Paediatric Medicine from SMS Medical College, Jaipur. After post-graduation he joined Indian Administrative Service.

Dr Pradeep Vyas belongs to 1989 batch of Indian Administrative Service. He has worked first in Tamil Nadu from the year 1989 till 1997 in various positions as Sub Collector at Cuddalore, Periyakulam and Tirunelveli. Subsequently he was posted as Additional Collector, Tirunelveli and Additional Commissioner Industries. He also worked as Deputy Secretary Budget in Finance Department of Government of Tamil Nadu before shifting to Maharashtra.

After joining Maharashtra in the year 1997 he has served in various positions as Managing Director of Maharashtra State Seeds Corporation, Akola, District Collector Mumbai City District and Managing Director, Maharashtra Agro Industries Development Corporation. He has also served as Secretary to State Election Commission and has been Secretary, Finance, Govt. of Maharashtra and Additional Chief Secretary, Public Health Department, Govt. of Maharashtra. During his tenure of more than seven years in Public Health Department, Maharashtra witnessed once in century pandemic of Covid, which was handled well and appreciated. His was the longest tenure as Health Secretary in the history of Maharashtra. He served as Additional Chief Secretary, Tribal Development Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai, before superannuating on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.