

Biographical sketch of Dr. Rajendra Prasad,
President of India.

PRASAD, Dr. Rajendra, M.A., M.L., LL.D., President, Indian Republic since January 26, 1950; born December 3, 1884; married Rajbansi Devi; 2 sons: educated Presidency College, Calcutta. Professor of English, G.B.B. College, Muzaffarpore 1908; practised as lawyer, Calcutta High Court 1911-16, Patna High Court 1916-20; joined Mahatma Gandhi in Champaran Agrarian movement; suspended practice as lawyer and joined non-co-operation movement 1920; General Secretary, Indian National Congress; member, Congress Working Committee; President, Indian National Congress 1934, 1939, 1947-48; imprisoned several times for taking part in Civil Disobedience Movement, for last time August 1942; released 1945; Minister for Food and Agriculture in Government of India 1946-48; President, Indian Constituent Assembly 1946-50; other activities include propagation of Hindi, journalism and social, humanitarian and relief work in general; one of the founders of the Patna English daily newspaper "Searchlight" and the Hindi Weekly "Desh". Publications: India Divided, Atma Katha (autobiography), Mahatma Gandhi in Champaran and At the feet of Mahatma Gandhi. Address: Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.



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