

Corrigendum

As already mentioned in the preface of the book, the purpose of writing it is to bring out all the details which led to the perpetuation of such a fraud that brought a bad name not only to the earth scientists but also to all scientists of this country. **It is not the purpose to denigrate anybody, including the author of the fraud.** But it is essential to evaluate the system of scientific temper and administration in this country that can tolerate and defend such ignoble frauds. Thus the story has to be told in its entirety without any subterfuges. It has come to my notice that there are some inadvertent errors in the book that are being rectified below:

1. On page 88, it has been inadvertently mentioned that Prof. Ahluwalia “registered for a PhD degree under Gupta’s supervision”. From the excerpts of his E-mail (given below) it seems that he submitted his PhD thesis under the supervision of Dr. O N Bhargava and Prof. B S Tewari.

In his email of Oct. 14, 2013 Professor A D Ahluwalia states in his own words with emphasis:

“Shah tells me the wrong information about my Ph D Thesis being submitted in June 1980 under V J Gupta was given to him by V J Gupta himself; No wonder V J Gupta had told almost all PU Senators (he himself was one) that I was his “ungrateful” student; **I had to submit an affidavit that not V J Gupta but Prof B S Tewari & Dr O N Bhargava were my Ph D guides;**”

2. On page 106, Vijaya Pushkarna has been inadvertently referred to as “ he”. Ms. Pushkarna is a lady reporter with THE WEEK.

These unintentional errors are regretted.