

## Profile



Name : MUPPAVARAPU VENKAI AH NAIDU

Mother's Name : Late Shrimati Ramanamma

Father's Name : Late Shri Rangaiah Naidu

Spouse's Name : Shrimati Muppavarapu Usha

Date of Birth : 1 July 1949

Place of Birth : Chavatapalem, SPSR Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh

Children : One Son and One daughter

Educational Qualifications : B.A., B.L. (Educated at V.R. High School, Nellore; V.R. College, Nellore and Law College, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam)

Profession : Agriculturist/Farmer, Political and Social worker

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## Positions Held :

- 1971 : President, Students' Union, V.R. College, Nellore;
- 1973-74 : President, Students Union, Andhra University Colleges;
- 1974 : Convener, Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narayan Kshatra Sangharsh Samiti of Andhra Pradesh;
- 1977-80 : President, Youth Wing of Janata Party, Andhra Pradesh;
- 1978-83 & 1983-85 : Member, Legislative Assembly, Andhra Pradesh;
- 1980-83 : Vice-President, Youth Wing of All India B.J.P.;
- 1980-85 : Leader, B.J.P. Legislature Party in Andhra Pradesh;
- 1985-88 : General Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State B.J.P.;
- 1988-93 : President, Andhra Pradesh State Unit of B.J.P.;
- 1993-2000 : General Secretary, All India B.J.P.;
- 1996-2000 : Secretary (i) BJP Parliamentary Board, & (ii) BJP Central Election Committee, and (iii) Spokesperson, BJP;
- April 1998 : Elected to Rajya Sabha from Karnataka (1st term);
- 1998-99 : Member, Committee on Home Affairs and Member, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Agriculture;
- 1998 - 2001 & 2005 - 2013 : Member, Tobacco Board;
- 1999 - 2000 : Member, Committee on Finance;
- Jan 2000 : Member, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Rural Development;
- 2000 (Sept) –2002 (June) : Minister of Rural Development, Government of India;
- 2002 (July) – 2004 (Oct) : National President, B.J.P.;
- 2004 (Jan) – 2004 (Feb) : Member, Committee on External Affairs ;
- June 2004 : Re-elected to Rajya Sabha from Karnataka (2nd term);
- 2004 - 06 : Member, Standing Committee on Finance;
- 2005 : Member, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution ;
- 2006 – 2008 : Chairman, Committee on Petitions (Rajya Sabha);
- 2006 onwards Member, (i) BJP Parliamentary Board, and (ii) BJP Central Election Committee ;
- 2008 – 2014 : Chairman, Committee on Home Affairs (Rajya Sabha);
- June 2010 : Re-elected to Rajya Sabha in June, 2010 from Karnataka (3rd term);

- 2011 (Dec) – 2014 (May) : Parliamentary Forum on Disaster Management;
- 26 May 2014 - 5 July, 2016: Minister for Urban Development, Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation and Parliamentary Affairs ;
- June, 2016 – Re-elected to Rajya Sabha from Rajasthan (4th term);
- 6th July, 2016-17th July, 2017 :Minister for Urban Development, Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation and Information and Broadcasting;
- 11th August, 2017 onwards: Vice President of India and Ex-officio Chairman, Rajya Sabha;

### **Other interests :**

- Agriculture, social work and writing articles in newspapers on the subjects of political and public interest; motivating voluntary organizations and involving and guiding constructive works in the fields of agriculture, health, animal care, vocational training, education etc.

### **Hobbies:**

- Reading, Educating and motivating people

### **Countries visited:**

- U.S.A., U.K., Malaysia, Singapore, France, Belgium, Netherlands, Australia, Mauritius, Maldives, Dubai, Hong Kong, Thailand, Spain, Egypt and Germany.

### **Other Information:**

- Chairman, Students' Union at College and also in University ;
- Imprisoned under MISA during the emergency, 1975-77;