



### **Mr. Rakesh Chawla**

Mr. Rakesh Chawla is a 64-year-old confectioner from Orrisa, India. He received his education from RajKumar College in Raipur, Chattisgarh and is an accomplished artist and musician, having won awards for his painting and musical performances. He is also a co-founder and executive member of IPSPi, an organization that raises awareness about primary immunodeficiencies (PID) and advocates for patients with PID among bureaucrats, doctors, and the public. Due to their hard work over the last two decades, treatment for PID has been streamlined and the Indian government now provides free treatment in ten excellence centers for rare diseases throughout the country. Rakesh Chawla has been congratulated for his contributions to the cause of PID awareness and advocacy on several occasions. He currently resides in Delhi, NCR, while the IPSPi office is in Greater Noida, Delhi, NCR.