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Dr. TCA Anant joined the UPSC as Member on Jan 14, 2019, prior to which he was Professor and Head, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics (DSE), University of Delhi. He has earlier served as the Chief Statistician of India (CSI) and Secretary, Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation from 2010 to 2018, and as Member Secretary, Indian Council for Social Science Research (ICSSR) from 2006 to 2009.

During his tenure as CSI, the Central Statistics Office (CSO) revised the Indian System of National Accounts to base year 2011-12 along with the series of Index of Industrial Production (IIP) and Consumer Price Index (CPI); the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) introduced a new regular survey on Employment; and the Cadre structures of both Subordinate Statistical Service and the Indian Statistical Service underwent a long overdue review. As Chief Statistician, Prof. Anant chaired the 19th International Conference of Labor Statisticians; co-chaired the Friends of the Chair Group on “Broader Measures of Progress” and the “Evaluation of the 2011 Round of the International Comparison Program” under the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC); and was a member of the International Expert Advisory Group on the Data Revolution set up by the UN Secretary General.

As Member Secretary, ICSSR, Prof. Anant was instrumental in getting undertaken the fourth review of ICSSR. He also steered the research efforts of ICSSR in doing the first baseline survey of Minority Concentration Districts.

Prof. Anant received his PhD in Economics from Cornell University and his MA in Economics from DSE. He was Assistant Professor in Economics at Michigan State University, USA, and Reader and then Professor in DSE, where he started the course on Law and Economics in the MA program. His research has covered a wide range of areas, including Labor Economics, Industrial Economics, Law and Economics and Econometrics.

Prof Anant has served on Expert Committees of various Ministries and Agencies of the Government of India, the Reserve Bank of India, the Competition Commission of India, Councils and Boards of several Universities as well as international organizations.