

There are some exceptional persons who become legends in their life time. Sh. Arun Jaitley was one of them. He was a colossus. He strode across and covered almost all spheres of life with dignity and grace coupled with determination and commitment.

In his illustrious legal career which lasted for nearly three decades, senior Supreme Court lawyer Arun Jaitley argued several cases on behalf of the state and leading private companies.

He was known as one of the most sterling legal minds in the country, former finance minister Arun Jaitley has been known for his illustrious work within and outside the ambit of the Indian judiciary. Appointed the additional solicitor general of India in 1990, Jaitley has seen several milestones, first as a trial court lawyer, then as a senior lawyer at the Delhi High Court and as a highly distinguished practitioner of law at the Supreme Court of India.

While his role as a politician is open for public scrutiny and criticism, no one who knows Arun Jaitley can deny that he was an able administrator and a devout public figure having tirelessly worked for the progress of the country.

He was a firm believer in maintaining, strengthening and promoting Rule of Law. He was not just a lawyer – he was a political thinker and above all a great citizen of India.

With regards to DDCA, a huge vacuum has been created after his sudden and untimely departure which can never be filled. I am greatly feeling it now as the Ombudsman.