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About the speaker:

A 1981-batch IAS officer, Mr. S.M. Vijayanand served as Chief Secretary to the Government of Kerala. He has also served as the Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India; Additional Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India and played a key role in the devolution of funds, powers, personnel to the local government institutions.



From 1992-96, he was with Rajiv Gandhi Drinking Water Mission, Government of India. He was also associated with the People's Planning Campaign since the beginning in Kerala from day one for 15 years, 11 years as Secretary in Charge for the Department of local government, and 4 years as Secretary Planning.

He conceptualised and mentored 'Kudumbashree', a women's self-help group movement created for women empowerment and poverty alleviation in the state for 13 years. He was chairman of the governing body of Centre for Management Development, an autonomous institution under Government of Kerala. He was chairman of the executive committee of KILA for 11 years. Currently, he is chairman of the 6th State Finance Commission.

Post-retirement, he is on the governing board of NGOs, like PRADAN, BRLF, Nanyan, Pallium India, COSTFORD.