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Mr. K. H. Patel is former Indian High Commissioner to Uganda and Ambassador to Rwanda and Burundi. Earlier, he was India's Consul General in France and a Diplomatic Officer at India's Permanent Mission to United Nations in New York, USA. He had served as a Member of the Indian Delegation to United Nations Tribunal on the Rann of Kutch Dispute between India and Pakistan at Geneva, Switzerland. He has also represented India at several international conferences including United Nations Human Rights Commission in Geneva and UNESCO General Assembly Session at Sofia, Bulgaria.

As a Director of the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, in New Delhi, he handled a variety of foreign policy matters, including Pakistan. He visited about 40 countries in almost all parts of the world on official duty.

After retirement from the Central Government, he served as a Consultant of The Times of India Group, Mumbai, for a number of years. In this context, he helped bringing out 9 Special Supplements on African countries for The Economic Times. For this purpose, he visited countries such as South Africa, Zimbabwe, Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda, etc.

He has served as Director on the Board of Directors of Government of Gujarat organization namely Non-Resident Gujaratis Foundation. For last four years he has been chairman of Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry's Non-Resident Gujaratis (NRG) Centre which has been founded and maintained by Government of Gujarat.

Mr. Patel is well qualified academically as he holds Master's Degree in International Relations from The City University of New York, USA and a Postgraduate Diploma in International Relations from the Institute of Social Studies, The Hague (Netherlands).

Mr. Patel is the author of the book “An Envoy Looks Back: A Memoir”, published by Har-Anand Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi. (Gujarati version of this book “Rajdootnan Sansmarano” has been published by Gurjar Grantha Ratna Karyalaya, Ahmedabad.)

His has attended many International Conferences as Delegate from Government of India like...

- 1993: Leader of Indian delegation to Asian African Legal Consultative Committee, Kampala. (Uganda)
- 1992: Indian delegate to Commonwealth Senior Officers Conference, Kampala (Uganda)
- 1986: India’s delegate to UN Human Rights Commission, Geneva.
- 1985 : Indian delegate to UNESCO General Conference, Sofia (Bulgaria)
- 1985: India’s delegate, UN Seminar on Community Relations Conference, Geneva.
- 1984: India’s delegate, UN Seminar on Freedom of Religions Geneva, (Elected Vice-Chairman)
- 1975-78: India’s delegate to UN General Assembly and several UN Committees, New York, USA
- 1966-67: India’s delegate to the International Tribunal on Rann of Kutch Dispute, Geneva, Switzerland

Looking at the vast experience of diplomatic positions and relations of Mr. Patel in many countries of the world, GTU has appointed him as a member of Board of Advisors Committee for Global Country Study Report (GCSR) program from April 2013.