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Born on 25 January 1908, he had his education at Zamorin's College Calicut, Presidency College and Medical College (Madras) - B.A. (1927) M.B.B.S. (1932) D.G.O. (1935) M.D. (1938) - Madras University. From 1932-1936 he worked as a Resident House Surgeon at Government General Hospital and Women and Children's Hospital, Madras and from 1937 to 1940 as a research scholar and research fellow of the Madras University under Dr. Sir A. L. Mudaliar. During the second world war, as an Emergency Commissioned Officer in the Indian Medical Service from July 1940 to December 1945 he served in various theatres of war and was released in December 1945 with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Returning, he joined the Madras Medical service and from December 1945 to 1957 served in various capacities- Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Stanley Medical College; Resident Medical Officer, Women and Children's Hospital, Madras; Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Andhra Medical College, Vizagapatnam; Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Madras Medical College, Madras; Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Stanley Medical College, Madras. In 1957 January, he was appointed Director and Professor, Institute of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Madras Medical College and Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Women and Children's Hospital, Madras, from which post, he retired in April 1970. He was appointed Professor Emeritus at the Institute.

A member of the Expert Committee of the WHO

on Maternal and Child Health since 1962 he has served as temporary adviser and short-term consultant to the WHO on a number of occasions. A member-chairman of the ICMR sub-committee on maternal and child health and also on human reproduction and fertility control, he was also a member of the Committee on human reproduction of the F.I.G.O. and has also served on Government of India committees on maternal and child health, fertility control and medical education.

In 1968 he was a visiting professor at the department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Down State Medical Centre - State University of New York and in 1970 at the department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Oxford University. A past president of the Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecological Societies of India, he was also a past Vice-President of the Asian Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecology. In addition to many scientific publications in national and international journals, he is also a co-author along with Dr. Sir A. L. Mudaliar of a text book "Clinical Obstetrics".

Dr. Krishna Menon was the President of the 12th All India Conference on Obstetrics and Gynaecology held at Ahmedabad in 1963.

A founder fellow of the National Academy of Medical Sciences, he was awarded the fellowship of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists in 1962. The President of India in 1973 awarded him "Padma Shri".

He was also awarded Honorary Fellowship of the Asia and Oceania Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in 1987. He expired in the year 1988