Shri Ashok Malik



Born in 1969, Malik studied at La Martiniere School, Kolkata, and graduated from Presidency College (now University) in the same city. He began his career in the Telegraph newspaper in Kolkata in 1991 and subsequently worked for many leading publications, including The Times of India, India Today and Indian Express.

In 2006, he embarked on a career as a self-employed columnist, serving at different points as a consulting editor to the Pioneer and Tehelka. In 2015 he joined the Observer Research Foundation. Other than writing in a variety of publications and appearing on news television shows, Malik is a regular participant in policy conferences and track II engagements.

He has been appointed to the board of governors of the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, a think-tank focused on corporate social responsibility. He is a Member of the Rajghat Memorial Committee, which oversees the Memorial dedicated to Mahatma Gandhi.

He has been awarded the civilian honour of the Padma Shri in 2016.