

## Distinguished Persons Honoured at Earlier Foundation Day Celebrations



2006

**Dr. Karan Singh**, Member of Parliament (RS) and President, Indian Council for Cultural Relations is a renowned philanthropist and educationist. Held several positions including Union Cabinet Minister. He was awarded Padma Vibhushan by the Govt. of India in 2005.



2008

**Sri P. K. Bishnoi** is a Financial Wizard and former CMD, RINL, VSP. He was chief architect of turnaround of Visakhapatnam Steel Plant. He was awarded 'Udyog Ratan' by the Govt. of India.



2009

**Dr. P. M. S. Prasad** is the whole-time Director of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) and recognized world over as one of the finest professionals in the Energy Industry.



2010

**Dr. Sanjaya Baru**, former Media Advisor to the Prime Minister of India and Editor, Business Standard, is one of India's most respected and influential commentators on political and economic issues.



2011

**Justice B. Sudershan Reddy**, former Judge, Supreme Court of India, is well-known for several landmark judgments of national importance.

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2012

**Dr. M.S. Swaminathan** is known as the "Father of Green Revolution in India". He is the Founder Chairman of MS Swaminathan Research Foundation started to realize the goals of "Sustainable development" now called as "Evergreen Revolution".



2013

**Dr. V.R. Panchamukhi** is an accomplished scholar in Sanskrit and a renowned economist. He made path-breaking and seminal contributions to the field of Economics as well as promotion of Sanskrit and Indology.



2014

**Dr. C. Rangarajan** is an accomplished economist, Former Governor of RBI, Governor of Andhra Pradesh and Chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Former Prime Minister of India.



2015

**Dr. A. Sivathanu Pillai** is a distinguished missile technologist of world repute and pride of India. He is called the father of BRAHMOS, the fastest and highly precise missile of India. Dr. Pillai's outstanding leadership qualities made India proud to possess the most potent missile BRAHMOS which is now inducted in the Indian Armed Forces.



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UNIVERSITY**  
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cordially invite you to grace



**GITAM**

**36<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day  
Celebrations**

at 3.00 pm on Saturday, the 13<sup>th</sup> August 2016

**Venue:**

Dr. Yellapragada Subbarao Auditorium, GIMSR, GITAM University  
Gandhi Nagar Campus, Rushikonda  
Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh



## About GITAM University

Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, also known as GITAM, ranks among the top universities in the country with three picturesque campuses at Visakhapatnam, Hyderabad and Bengaluru. All the campuses are endowed with world-class infrastructure and well-equipped laboratories together with excellent student support services. The University is currently offering as many as 133 UG, PG and Doctoral programmes in diverse disciplines such as Technology, Pharmacy, Science, Management, Humanities, International Business, Architecture, Law and Medicine with near 100 per cent placement record. GITAM alumni are occupying many coveted positions in the country and abroad.

GITAM has 15000 regular fulltime students and over 1000 research scholars hailing from almost all the states of the country. Well qualified and committed faculty of over 1100 provides world class education. GITAM is actively pursuing advanced research in several thrust areas contemporary relevance. So far, 16 patents have been awarded and another 40 are registered.

With 36 years of track record in higher education, GITAM has won many laurels. The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India ranked GITAM as category 'I' University among the universities of its kind. NAAC has accredited the University with A grade. UGC accorded 12 B status to the University.

## GITAM Foundation Annual Award

'GITAM Foundation Award' is instituted with a benevolent donation by Dr. M.V.V.S. Murthi, who created a corpus of Rs. 30 million. As per the desire of the donor, a part of the interest earned is presented as 'GITAM Foundation Award' on GITAM Foundation Day every year to an eminent person in recognition of the exemplary services rendered by him / her in the chosen field for the benefit of the society at large.

GITAM Foundation Award is aimed at recognizing personalities for their outstanding contributions in any of the fields of Education, Economics, Science, Literature, Fine Arts, Public Service, etc. An eminent personality is chosen and his/her contributions are made known to the larger public by way of a public lecture. The GITAM Foundation Award consisting of a plaque and a cheque for Rs. one million is presented to the eminent personality in recognition of his/her services to humanity.

## GITAM FOUNDATION Annual Awardee -2016



**Prof. C.N.R. Rao**

Professor Chintamani Nagesa Ramachandra Rao (born on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1934) a world renowned scientist and an institution builder was honoured with the highest civilian award of India – Bharat Ratna (2014), a crowning glory to his inexorable list of outstanding achievements.

Prof. C.N.R. Rao has worked mainly in solid-state and structural chemistry. Prof.Rao, founder of the Bangalore-based Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, has served as Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Council to Prime Minister under different regimes, a manifestation of immense faith different governments have placed in him. He has honorary doctorates from 60 universities and this speaks volumes about the worldwide acclaim and recognition he has earned as a scientist par excellence.

He has published 1630 research papers and either authored or edited 50 books. Prof.Rao has been conferred with many prestigious awards including Bhatnagar Prize, Padma Shri, Padma Vibhushan and Karnataka Ratna, the state's highest civilian honor. Prof.Rao has been bestowed with other awards such as Hughes Medal by the Royal Society in 2000. He became the first recipient of the India Science Award, instituted by the Union Government, for his contributions to Solid State Chemistry and Materials Science in 2004.

Prof.Rao is the Founder Chairman of Solid State and Structural Chemistry Unit and Materials Research Laboratory, Indian Institute of Science (1977-84) and also served as Director, Indian Institute of Science (1984-94); Director, International Centre for Materials Science; Chairman, Science Advisory Council to the Prime Minister; Chairman, National Nano Initiative, Government of India and Member, Atomic Energy Commission of India; Chairman, Indo-Brazil Science Council; Chairman, Indo-Russia Long-term Programme in Science & Technology; Chairman, Indo-Japan Science Council; Chancellor, Assam University; Chancellor, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong; Member, Planning Commission, Government of India and Director, Reserve Bank of India.

Prof.Rao is currently the National Research Professor, Linus Pauling Research Professor and Honorary President of the Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research in Bangalore.



## GITAM UNIVERSITY

### GITAM 36<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Celebrations

Venue: Dr. Yellapragada Subbarao Auditorium, GIMSR, GITAM University,  
Gandhinagar Campus, Rushikonda, Visakhapatnam, A.P.  
Saturday, the 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2016

#### Programme

- 03.00 pm : Arrival of Guests  
03.15 pm : Inviting the Guests on to the Dais  
03.25 pm : Vandemataram  
03.30 pm : Lighting of the lamp by Hon'ble Chief Guest Prof. C.N.R. Rao accompanied by other dignitaries  
03.35 pm : Address by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, GU - Prof. M.S.Prasada Rao  
03.45 pm : Address by Hon'ble Chancellor, GU - Prof. K.Ramakrishna Rao  
04.00 pm : Address by Hon'ble President, GITAM - Dr. M.V.V.S. Murthi  
04.05 pm : Presentation of GITAM Best Student Speaker Awards  
04.10 pm : Presentation of Best Teacher and Best Supporting Staff Awards  
04.20 pm : Citation to Prof. C.N.R. Rao by Prof. K. Siva Rama Krishna, Pro Vice-Chancellor  
04.30 pm : Presentation of GITAM Foundation Annual Award to Chief Guest, Prof. C.N.R. Rao by Dr. M.V.V.S. Murthi  
04.35 pm : GITAM Foundation Endowment Annual Lecture by Prof. C.N.R. Rao  
05.15 pm : Vote of thanks by Prof. M. Potharaju, Registrar  
05.20 pm : National Anthem  
05.25 pm to 06.30 pm : Cultural Programme

- Note:**
- All the guests are requested to be seated in the hall by 02.45 p.m.
  - Please switch off mobiles before entering the hall.
  - Please don't move from your seats during the programme and stay till the Chief Guest leaves the hall.