

*Members
of
Distinction*



Rtn. Dr. P.R.I.D M.K.Panduranga Setty

*President 1969-70;
District Governor 1978-79;
RI Director 1991-93*



Very few Rotarians have, in a short span of time, made such an outstanding contribution to the Rotary movement as PRID M.K.Panduranga Setty.

'Pandu' joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore 1959, with "Flour Milling" as his classification and was elected President 1969-70. As Chairman of the Buyer-Seller Relations and Trade Association Sub-Committee, he organized the Ideal Home Exhibition - the first of its kind in the country.

At the District, he has served as Chairman of several committees, Governor's Group Representative, and as Governor's Special Representative when he organised the Rotary Clubs of Ramanagaram and Bangalore Mid-Town. and Down Town .He was elected

as District Governor in 1978-79.

Recognizing his potential, Rotary International nominated Pandu to the Research Advisory Group. He was invited to speak at the Asia Regional Conference in South Korea in 1979 and the President's Goodwill Conference in Sri Lanka in 1983. He was sent as the R. I. President's personal Representative to the District Conference of District 326 in 1983 and in 1984 to District 329. He has represented RI President at countless District Conferences since then in different parts of the world.

His meticulous organizing abilities, sincere involvement in community service activities and commitment to Rotary have earned Pandu recognition at home and abroad. What sets him apart is the continued involvement in the activities of Rotary from the Club level to international levels.

He organised very successful R.I. Asia Zone II Institutes in Bangalore twice. Similarly, the success of District 319 as the highest contributor to the Rotary

Foundation is due to Pandu's tireless efforts as Chairman of the District Foundation Committee. He is the recipient of Citation and Distinguished Service award as well as Service above Self award.

As Chairman of the District P.R. Committee, he organised the first Multi-District Conference with over 650 participants attending from far and near. He served Rotary News and Rotary Samachar as the Editor after it was recognised as a regional magazine and the Secretary of the Rotary News Trust.

Professionally, Rtn. Pandu is a director of more than 20 companies. His crowning achievement, however, is the establishment of the International School of Milling Technology at CFTRI, Mysore. The first of its kind in the Third World, this is a living monument to a Rotarian's commitment and service in the larger interests of his profession. Rtn. Pandu served Rotary International as Director Asia Zone 2 during 1991-93. He had the unique Distinction of being the only Asian to have served as the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of RI. He has served as the member of the Strategic Planning Committee of RI for 9 years, the longest. He has also served on the Centennial history publication Committee. and serving on many R I committees as well of The Rotary Foundation. He is the chairman of The Rotary Foundation India and the Vice Chair of SEARO..

Management education and engineering education were all born out of concern for others who would not have the same opportunities, as some who had a reach for it. His mantra was institutionalise, thus the Department of Management studies in Indian Institute of Science was set up.

He was on the first board of IIM-B, now the RV Institute of Management with International tie ups. RV Engineering College is yet another fine example. He served as the Senate member of Bangalore University as well, apart from having served as the Chairman of Institute of Social Economic Change. He nurtured the Bangalore Management Association in its formative years and served as the Distinguished President and as Vice President of AIMA.

Where Rtn. Dr. M.K.Panduranga Setty is there, there is striving for excellence, RV is a hall mark of the top of the line educational institutions, each one of the 20 institutions has its own distinction. For instance, NMKRV is



Honorary Doctorate conferred by Mangalore University

known for taking non-meritorious girl students transforming them to meritorious ones and Shashwati, the women's museum. RVCE among the top ten and first on the student's choice. RV TIFAC Composites Design Centre is globally acknowledged R&D centre.

Outstanding Leader

He has provided leadership in every sphere of the private sector, civil society and the Government. He has served as a director of Vysya Bank Ltd., now ING Vysya for nine long years and is the Director of more than twenty companies. He has served on the

Executive Committee of CFTRI and DFRL, as the President of FKCCI, AIMO, the Founder President of Indo-American Chamber of Commerce and actively involved in Indo-German Chamber of Commerce. He has served on several committees of the State and Centre, he has also served as the Chairman of Karnataka Industrial and Investment Development Corporation, the first industrialist to hold that post. He was the first and remains only non scientist President of Association of Food Scientists and Technologists, India, having scaled it to international recognition.

Social Entrepreneur and Institution Builder

He is a man whose entrepreneurship is externalised. The vision, the innovative spirit, go getting nature, grit and perseverance to complete the task on hand, hall marks of an entrepreneur are all found in him and he carries it to his social endeavours with a stronger conviction than to his business endeavours. To him business is only a

means, not an end. Co-creator and Co-founder of many a leading organisation like Toast Masters Club, Visvesvaraya Technological Museum, Visvesvaraya Industrial Trade Centre, Including ASCENT, a social non-profit-enterprise that fosters entrepreneurship of which he is the Chairman.

A great exponent

Before the spelling of EXP0 was known in this country, he put through the Ideal Homes Exhibition in 1950's under the auspices of the Rotary Club of Bangalore, a forerunner to today's Home exhibitions, National Poultry and Cattle Shows, the first Buyer-



Receiving the Honorary Doctorate from Avinashilingam University for Women, Coimbatore

Seller relations conference to the first Food Machinery Fair. Many other expos followed. Mention must be made of the International Food Expo, AHARA'82, along with the first International Conference of Food Scientists and Technologists at Bangalore, which remains a major watershed in Food expos in India. Today, thanks to his pioneering initiative, annual International AHARA Expos take place at Pragati Maidan, Delhi.

He was conferred with a Honorary Doctorate of Literature (Honoris Causa) from Avinashilingam University for Women, Coimbatore, in recognition of his outstanding contribution in the fields of education, industry, social service and research. He earned a second Doctorate when the Mangalore University conferred the Honorary Doctorate on him

Government of Karnataka bestowed upon Rtn. Dr. M.K.Panduranga Setty the "Karnataka Rajyotsava Award", award for his contribution in the education and social fields.

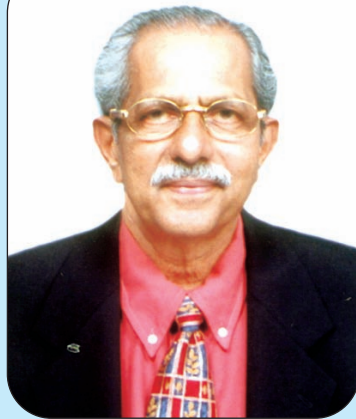
Rtn. PRID M.K.Panduranga Setty completed 50 years of glorious service as a Rotarian and member of Rotary Club of Bangalore on 12-1-2009. This is an exemplary achievement.



Dr. Manmohan Attavar

Chairman

Indo-American Hybrid Seeds (India) Pvt. Ltd.



Dr. Manmohan Attavar was born on 12th July 1932. He obtained his M.Sc. (Agri) in 1961 from the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad and then proceeded for his Doctoral Programme in Plant Breeding and Genetics at Montana State University, USA., He underwent practical training in Commercial Plant Breeding at George. J. Ball. Inc., West Chicago and Pan American Seeds Co., Colorado, USA.

He returned to India in 1965 and set up Indo-American Hybrid Seeds (IAHS) at Bangalore. He started this company with a global vision, dedicated to quality and service and continues to relentlessly pursue these ideals. The strength of the company lies in its large scientific manpower and technically skilled personnel who have, with team spirit, built this most modern house of agricultural science. Over the past four decades, under Dr. Attavar's guidance,

the company, now IAHS (I) Pvt. Ltd., has grown from strength to strength, and is today a leading hybrid vegetable seed and horticulture company in India and one of the notable companies of the world.

He was the first Indian scientist to introduce environment-controlled greenhouses for commercial year-round seed production in India. In 1967, the first batch of Petunia hybrid seeds produced in greenhouses was exported to USA. Since then, substantial volume of F1 hybrid flower and vegetable seeds are being exported to the USA and other countries thereby gaining considerable foreign exchange to the exchequer.

Dr. Attavar recognised the tremendous untapped potential in the field of horticulture in India and was instrumental in actualizing the concept of 'Lab-to-Land' programme in agriculture.

He became the pioneer in releasing the first commercial hybrids of Tomato 'Karnataka' and Capsicum – 'Bharath'

in the country. His contribution in transferring the modern technology of production of flower seeds and F1 hybrid vegetable in the country is well known. This resulted in the increase in per hectare income of farmers. Today, thousands of farmers all over the country use this modern technique and are fruitfully engaged in cultivation of hybrid seeds. High Value Hybrid seed production has also provided gainful employment to the rural masses.

Dr. Attavar's contribution towards the improvement of vegetable crops and ornamental plants with modern technology is substantial. In this endeavour, he established an international standard Genetic Engineering Laboratory and a Commercial Tissue Culture Laboratory. The company's Seed Testing Laboratory has been accredited by the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) Switzerland and is the first laboratory in the private sector in Asia.

His contributions have been recognized globally. In 2003, he was honoured with the prestigious Life Membership of the International Seed Federation (ISF) the non-profitable, non-governmental, international organization representing the global seed industry with its Registered Office at Neon, Switzerland. Dr. Attavar is also a member of the Board of Directors of the ISF and a member of its several other committees.

Dr. Attavar has been honoured with several laurels and awards for his outstanding contributions in the field of horticulture. A few among them are an Honorary Doctorate in 1990 from the University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad, the Rajyotsava State Award in 1991, the Dr. M.H.Marigowda National Award in 1995, the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) Special Award in 1995 for Lifetime contribution for development of horticulture, the prestigious Government of India Republic Day Civilian Honour of PADMASHRI in 1998 and the

Karnataka Government Honour of the 'Captains of Industry' on the occasion of Suvarna Karnataka celebrations in 2006.

Dr. Attavar has travelled extensively and was Member in the Trade Delegation, Government of India, to the USSR, The Netherlands, West Germany and other European countries in 1983. He was also a Member in the Trade Delegation sponsored by the Government of India to Japan and the Far East in 1992 to promote floriculture products from India. Dr. Attavar was nominated as an expert member on the board of many government and non-government organizations and educational institutions. Prestigious positions held by him in the past were National Seeds Corporation (NSC), Member, Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Member, Board of Directors, National Horticultural Board (NHB), State Farms Corporation of India (SFCI), National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI),

President, Association of Seed Industry (ASI), Member, Board of Trade, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, Member, Board of Regents, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore.

Under his leadership, IAHS (I) Pvt. Ltd. has received innumerable national and international awards and recognition. The company has received twice the prestigious National Award for Excellence in R&D efforts instituted by the Department of Science and Industrial Research, Government of India for the years 1994-95 and 1999-2000. Dr. Attavar has contributed many articles and papers on horticulture, and other related sciences which have been published in a number of related journals, publications, and magazines.

In addition to his achievements as a scientist and entrepreneur, Dr. Attavar's



Padmashri Award - 1998

humanitarian efforts need special mention. He has contributed to various charitable and educational institutions and supported construction, renovation and maintenance of schools, orphanages and religious centers. He is running a charitable hospital on the outskirts of Bangalore, in the name of Rotary Muthappa Attavar Memorial Hospital, in memory of his late father, which is catering to the needs of rural people belonging to surrounding villages.



Rtn. Arjun M. Menda



Date of Joining:

22nd January 1981
Rotary Club of Bangalore

Qualification:

BE Mechanical from Guindy Engineering College, Chennai (1956) and Master of Technology from Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur (1958)

Experience:

Worked as Industrial / Production Engineer with M/s Mahindra & Mahindra Limited, Bombay (from 1959 to 1963) and M/s Gabriel India Limited, Bombay (from 1963 to 1967) Started a small scale industry in the

year 1967 in Bangalore for manufacture of Precision Turned Parts. Till 1985 was associated with a dozen small scale industries in Bangalore manufacturing Precision Turned Parts and Pressed Parts.

Ventured into Real Estate activity in the year 1980 and developed very many Residential / Office Complexes in Bangalore, Chennai, Coimbatore.

In the year 1988, started a separate Construction Company under the name of RMZ Corp Group of Companies, which has since inception concentrated on Construction of Multi-storied Office Buildings for Software Companies in Bangalore, Hyderabad,

Pune, Chennai and Kolkata having constructed over 14 million Sft. of built-up area in the last 10 years. The Company will be expanding its activities to two tier cities like Nagpur, Mangalore, Mysore and Cochin. The Company has also plans to take up construction of Residential

Apartments, Retail Malls and Hotels.

Hobbies:

His hobbies are playing Golf and Bridge.



Rtn. Dr. H. Paramesh



Rtn. Dr. H. Paramesh joined Rotary Club of Bangalore on 2nd July, 1990.

He is the Medical & Managing Director of Lakeside Medical Centre and Hospital in Bangalore and is the National Founder Chairman of IAP Environment Child Health Group and IAP Respiratory Chapter. He served at Local, State, and National levels in various capacities for the past 30 years in Indian Academy of Pediatrics. A past National President of Indian Academy of Allergy, Dr. Paramesh has been awarded "Life Time Achievement Award in 2006" for his tremendous work on Allergy, Asthma and Immunology by International Asthma Forum, Denver, USA. The honour was

bestowed during the National Convention of Indian Academy of Allergy, Cochin in January 2007.

Rtn. Dr. Paramesh was the Founder president of Indian Medical Association, Bangalore East and also a founder member of Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Society of Bangalore. He has published 53 scientific papers in various medical journals and text books. Having delivered 296 lectures on scientific papers, 20 orations and keynote addresses, has given 31 TV and Radio Talks.

He worked as a Visiting Professor in Wayne State University, Detroit, USA, Kanti Children's Hospital, Nepal, and in Mc Master University, Environment and Health Division, Canada. He has received State Award Karnataka Rajya Parisara Prashasthi in 2001 for his 30 years work on Air Pollution and Impact on Child Health. His work on smoking

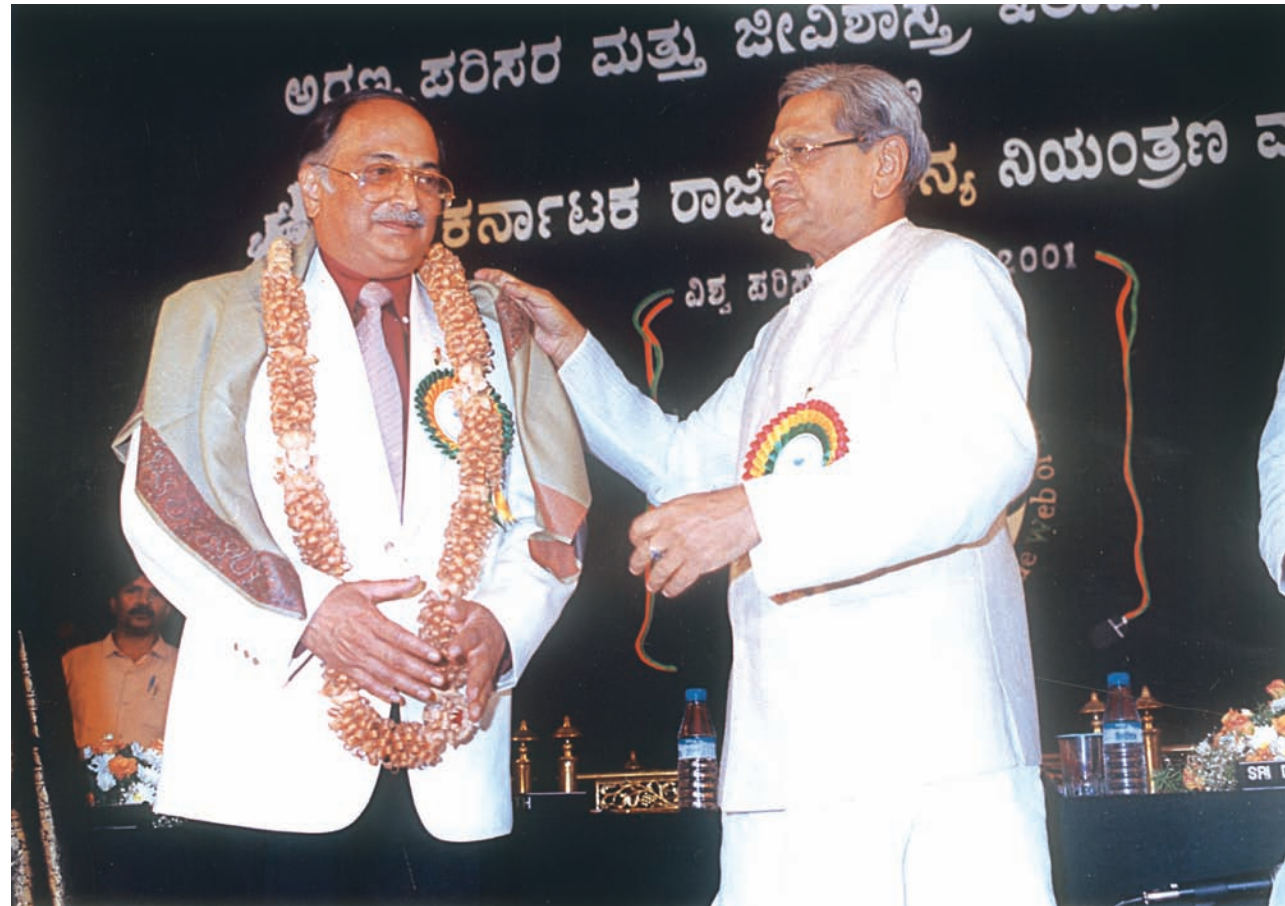


Recognition by The Indian Academy of Pediatrics

and impact on child health was responsible in bringing about the anti-smoking resolution in Karnataka State. His work was instrumental in the Supreme Court of India to clean up air pollution in major cities. His work on traffic and non traffic police was discussed in Parliament for remedial measures. He has been a former Chairman, Technical Advisory Committee - Karnataka State Pollution Control Board.

Rtn. Dr. Paramesh was the permanent member of Committee on Bangalore Metro Rail Project, Government of Karnataka. He was the Chairman of State of Environment of Health Action Plan, World Bank Project in 2003. In 1994-98, he was the Principal Investigator for aero-allergens and health Ministry of Environment Forests, Govt of India. He also worked as the facilitator, panelist, advisor to health projects of WHO, UNICEF, UNDP and Commission of Macro Economics and Health, Government of India.

Rtn. Dr. Paramesh was the Director of Board of International Networking on Children's Health, Environment and Safety (INCHES) headquartered in Amsterdam. Recipient of Indian Academy of Pediatrics, "Dr. Shantilal Seth Oration Awardee 2008".



Receiving Karnataka Rajya Parisara Prashanthi State Award for Excellence in Work on Environment and Health - 2001.



Rtn. Dr. Sita Bhateja



Rtn. Dr. Sita Bhateja a Gynaecologist and Obstetrician, is the first Lady Rotarian of Rotary Club of Bangalore, where she is recognized and has been a major contributor towards Polio eradication programme. An awardee of GOVERNOR'S SALUTE, has steered many committees successfully, especially Medical and Polio. Rtn. Dr. Sita is just not a gynaecologist but a multifaceted person with unlimited capacity to take up bigger responsibilities lightly. Of course this would not have been possible without the positive solid support of her life partner late Col. A.P.Bhateja. In the matter of Service both of them had worked with the same ideas. Dr. Sita Bhateja is totally committed to the well being of inhabitants of this 'Planet Earth' whether they are human beings, animals or plants. She believes in conservation of national resources and helps to retain the greenery of Bangalore.

She was instrumental in setting up the

new department of Gynaecology and Obstetrics at St. Martha's Hospital, Bangalore where she worked for 34 years and helped the department from its inception and streamlined the procedures which are followed till today. She has contributed widely to the field of Gynaecology and Obstetrics and prescribed many new innovative procedures. She has delivered babies of three generations personally. A media savvy person she has appeared on American TV in connection with Family Planning Programme and has been on local TV in connection with Children's Welfare Programme. She has presented papers at National and International Conference. She is the Past President of Bangalore Society of Obstetrics & Gynecology.

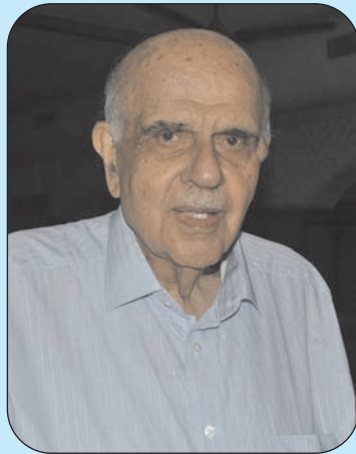
Dr. Sita Bhateja, a woman achiever, has set up a public Charitable Trust by donating a building of 8 stories and its equipment to the citizens of Karnataka. Sri Jetha Nand Hospital was constructed for the poor and needy people. In addition she has set up

Charitable Trust for orphan and abandoned children called Child Foundation Karnataka, where many such children have an access to decent life. A God fearing person and a voracious has authored many books on spiritualism.

A widely travelled Rotarian, is the member of WWF India SPCA & Indo Japanese Society and may more organizations. She pursues her hobby of Philatelic interest and is the number 1 collector of stamps in India. She has served Karnataka Philatelic Society for 3 terms. The younger generation looks up to her as their role model. She is a picture of grace and maturity. She has indeed made a mark in her life for others to emulate. She has won many awards of distinction like "Life Time Achievement" award by IMA. Academy of Medical Specialties, Rashtria Rattan Award for Child Welfare. She is a National Jury in the field of Philately and advisor to Ministry of Communication.



Rtn. Narendra Vithaldas



Narendra Vithaldas was born on 8th October 1929. Joined the family business in 1948.

Narendra Vithaldas, who is distinguished senior member of the promoter family of House of Vissanji has looked after the various segments of the different businesses of the group and has earned vast experience in the last more than five decades.

He has been associated with organisations such as Permali Wallace Pvt Ltd., B.M.D. Industries Pvt. Ltd.(Proprietors of Western India Chemicals), Indian Plywood Manufacturing Co. Ltd., Permacast Pvt.Ltd.

In Rotary

In 1956 he joined Rotary Club of Bhopal, and became President in 1966-67. In February, 1969, he joined Rotary

Club of Bombay . He joined Rotary Club at Delhi in January 1977 and became President during 1992-93. He volunteered for several district assignments, and has taken part in several District Conferences as well as the Regional Conference in Bhopal in 1959.

In fulfilling his responsibilities in Rotary he was fortunate to have full support from his wife Anne Jayshri. She has been a member of Inner wheel clubs since last 48 years. In 1961- She was founder President of Inner Wheel Club of Bhopal. Thereafter she shifted to Mumbai. She was a member of Inner wheel Club of Mumbai and thereafter in Delhi from 1975 and now in Bangalore.

Apart from Rotary he has been associated with many business organizations and other cultural organizations which are as follows: President, Roller Flour Miller's Federation of India; Madhya Pradesh State Board of All India Manufacturers Organisation from 1971-72.

He has been associated with many business and cultural organizations like President, Roller Flour Millers Federation, All India Manufacturers Organisation, Chamber of Commerce, MP Industrial Foundation, Gujarat Education Society, MP Labour Advisory Board, Leader of the Delegation on Indian Wheat Industries team of USA sponsored by Wheat Associates, Member of Delegation to EXPO 1970 at Japan.



Dr. Homi Jehangir Bhabha

President : 1944-45 (Partial Term)

(30-9-1909 to 21-1-1966)

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Founded Tata Institute of Fundamental Research; was the first Chairman of India's Atomic Energy Commission; was Chairman of the first United Nations Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy, held in Geneva in 1955.

Homi Bhabha, whose full name was Homi Jehangir Bhabha, was a famous Indian atomic scientist. In Independent India, Homi Jehangir Bhabha, with the support of Jawaharlal Nehru, laid the foundation of a scientific establishment and was responsible for the creation of two premier institutions, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research and Bhabha Atomic Research Centre. Homi Bhabha was the first Chairman of India's Atomic Energy Commission.

Homi Jehangir Bhabha was born on October 30, 1909, in Bombay in a rich

Parsi family. After graduating from Elphinstone College and the Royal Institute of Science in Bombay, he went to Cambridge University. He received his Doctorate in 1934. During this period he worked with Niels Bohr on the studies that led to quantum theory. Homi Jehangir Bhabha also worked with Walter Heitler on the cascade theory of electron showers, which was of great importance for the understanding of cosmic radiation. He did significant work in identifying the meson.

Due to outbreak of Second World War, Homi Jehangir Bhabha, returned to India in 1939. He set up the Cosmic Ray Research Unit at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore under C. V. Raman in 1939. With the help of J.R.D. Tata, he established the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research at Mumbai. In 1945, he became director of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research.

During his stay in Bangalore between 1939-1945 he was an active Rotarian.

In the middle of his term as President he had to move to Bombay in 1945 to establish Tata Institute of Fundamental Research.

The Tata Institute of Fundamental Research was founded through the initiative of Dr. Bhabha and he was Director and Professor of Theoretical Physics of the Institute in 1945. He was Chairman of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Atomic Energy from 1954 and Director of the Atomic Energy Establishment, Trombay.



Rtn. P.D.G. K.V. Anantharaman

President : 1939 - 40

District Governor : 1944-45

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K.V.Anantharaman is a name as greatly revered in the early Rotary history of District 91 as in the Government of Mysore. He had the unique distinction of becoming the first District Governor from the Rotary Club of Bangalore.

An illustrious civil servant, Anantharaman was one of the earliest members of the Club. He was elected President in 1939-40.

Anantharaman joined the Mysore Civil Service in December 1908, and from the rank of Assistant Commissioner rose to become a Member of the

Council of the Maharaja of Mysore in 1940. On retirement in 1944, Anantharaman accepted the post of Director, Major States Special Organisation of the Chamber of Princes at Bhopal.

Rotary lost a brilliant and committed member with his passing away on April 14, 1946.



Rtn. PDG. Dr. M.N. Mahadevan

President : 1943-44

District Governor : 1946-47

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The Rotary movement in Bangalore, nay, even in South India, is greatly indebted to the late PDG Dr. M.N. Mahadevan, the doyen among doyens.

An eminent doctor and orator par excellence, Dr. Mahadevan served Rotary for 42 years. He joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore 1936, and became President in 1943-44 after holding every office in the Club. In 1946-47 he became Governor of District 55. He was Acting Governor of District 56 in 1953-54.

Dr. Mahadevan participated in several District Assemblies and delivered educative lectures on the theme of Rotary. He was one of the most respected seniors, whose counsel was

sought all over South India, whenever administrative and other problems cropped up.

An MRCP from Edinburgh, Dr. Mahadevan was one of the earliest practicing physicians in the city. He was Honorary Professor of Medicine and Honorary Physician in the Victoria Hospital and served as Chief Medical Officer of several institutions, notably the Indian Institute of Science. He was often called upon to attend high dignitaries visiting Bangalore, including Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

An avid golfer, Dr. Mahadevan was actively involved in many social and cultural activities. He was President of both the Bangalore Club and the Century Club, President of the Indo-American Association and the Indian Medical Association. He was also one of the members responsible for the formation of the independent Grand Lodge of India. He rose to No.2 position in the organization with the office of Deputy Grand Master.

Dr. Mahadevan passed away in December 1979 leaving behind a void in every circle where he was known.



Rtn. PDG. D.N.Hosali

President : 1948-49

District Governor : 1949- 50

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A multi-faceted personality who endeared himself to everyone he met, PDG D.N.Hosali was well-known throughout the Rotary world as the Editor of Rotary News.

Debu joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1943, served as Secretary, became President in 1948-49, and was elected Governor of the then District 55 during 1949-50. He participated in all the seminars for the Editors of Regional Magazines at the R.I. Headquarters in Evanston during 1964, 1970, 1977 and 1980. His knowledge of men and matters and ability to speak extempore on any subject made him a peer among the journalists of his day. An address by Past Governor Hosali was a must at Rotary District Conferences. Rotarians still remember the inimitable manner in which Debu proposed toasts at Rotary banquets.

Apart from the responsibility of running a modern printing press, Debu was a voracious reader and a forceful writer. Qualities which stood him in good stead as the Editor of the widely circulated Mysindia, the weekly that was described as a national weekly with an international outlook. He was President of the Bangalore Club for a year. Debu was also a skilled painter and sculptor, and created many pieces of beautiful furniture. He passed away on February 2, 1983. An irreparable loss to the Rotary movement in India and the Rotary Club of Bangalore, in particular.



Rtn. PDG. R. Natarajan

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District Governor : 1951-52

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A keen intellect and dynamic personality beneath his calm exterior, the late PDG Natarajan had made significant contributions to Rotary, Industrial Management and Labour Relations. The motivator and main force behind the establishment of the Indian Telephone Industries Limited in Bangalore, Natarajan passed away in 1981.

A member of the Ahmedabad and Bombay Rotary Clubs, Natarajan joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1948 and held office as Director and Vice- President. He became District Governor in 1951-52. A staunch believer in, interpreter of and speaker on vocational service, he organised Rotary management clinics and the first All India Conference of Past and Ruling Rotary District Governors in 1940, to decide about the Regional Magazine.

From General Manager of Combay Telephones, Natarajan became the first Managing Director of ITI. He organized the ITI Labour Union, a model for industrial relations throughout the country. Later, he was acting General Manager of HAL and Managing Director of Surhid Geigy Ltd., Baroda.

Famous as the originator of MACLI, Natarajan was well-versed in all aspects of commerce and industry. He was the first Executive Director of IMRUP, a Government of India programme at the Indian Statistical Institute. He served as consultant and advisor to public and private enterprises in his capacity as Founder Chairman of the Management and Industrial Consultants(P) Ltd., Bangalore. The Government of India co-opted him as a member of several delegations sent abroad. After retirement, he was appointed Planning Advisor to Bharat Electricals Ltd., Bangalore.

Natarajan's experience has benefitted

management education as well. He started the Department of Industrial Engineering and Management at the Indian Institute of Science and became professor and Head of the Department. He was later appointed Dean of the Faculty of Management. He conducted innumerable seminars, symposia and training programmes at the foremost management training institutions.

One of a few Indians so honoured, Natarajan was appointed by the World Bank as its Water Supply Consultant (Bangalore Water Supply Scheme). He was Chairman of the Institution of Engineers, Mysore Centre, and the Institution of Production Engineers, President of the Bangalore Chapter of the Indian Institution of Industrial Engineers and the Operations Research Association.

His appreciable contributions in the field of production Engineering won him the Sir Walter Puckey Award.



Rtn. PDG. Vishnu M. Ghatge

President : 1951-52

District Governor : 1956-57

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A pioneer and innovator in the aeronautical engineering industry, PDG. Dr. Ghatge has served with distinction in Rotary, too.

He joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1944 and served on almost all the committees. Dr. Ghatge was elected President (1951-52) of the Club. Subsequently, in 1956-57, he became District Governor.

An internationally renowned scientist, Dr. Ghatge set up the Department of Aeronautical Engineering at the Indian Institute of Science, before joining HAL as Chief Designer. He was responsible for much of the outstanding work accomplished by HAL, including the design and construction of HT 2, an all-metal trainer aircraft and the first Indian troop transport type glider.

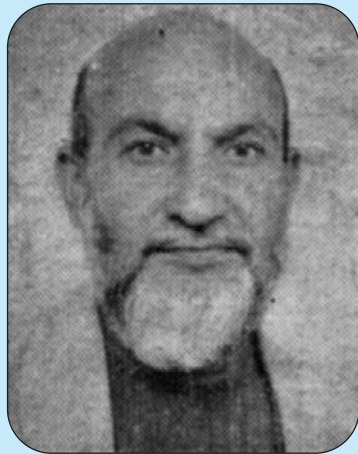
The title of Padmashri was conferred on Dr. Ghatge, and in 1969 he won the Sir Walter Puckey Prize for the most significant contribution in Production Engineering. A connoisseur of music and an accomplished speaker, Dr. Ghatge's discourses on Bhagvad Gita are keenly attended. He was President of the Century Club for two years.



Rtn. P.P. Air Commodore S.N. Goyal (Retd)

President: 1954-55

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A man of wide-ranging interests who has been furthering the cultural image of India far and wide, PP Suren Goyal has been actively involved with Rotary all over India for many years.

A charter member of the Rotary Club of Jodhpur in 1951-52, he joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1953 and became President in 1954-55. It was during his time that the 100 bed Rotary T.B. Ward was taken up as a Golden Jubilee Project. Today, this is a standing monument to Suren's commitment to the Rotary ideal of service. Collections were made in record time and a special

commendation was received from R.I. Suren became a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Simla in 1957 and later its Vice-president.

Again, during 1961-66, he was closely associated with the Rotary Club of Bangalore, holding several offices. Public acclaim was received for the War Fund, a pioneering Rotary effort undertaken by him. From 1966-68 he served the Rotary Club of Poona University. In 1969 he was elected President of the Rotary Club of Delhi South.

A professional serviceman, Suren was Commandant N.D.A. during 1966-68 and Senator of the Bangalore and Agra Universities. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, London; International Yoga Teachers Association; and a Life Member of the Shree Aurobindo Education Society, RUSI and Overseas League (London). He is also a Past Director of the Institute of Psychic and Spiritual

Research and led the first Indian expedition to Neelakanta Chowkamba. Presently Suren is involved in research in yoga and naturopathy.



Rtn. PDG. P.H.F. B.S. Sidhwa

President : 1956-57

District Governor : 1959-60

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Widely traveled and an erudite banker, PDG B.S.Sidhwa has been one of the most active Rotarians right from the time he joined the movement.

He joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1946 and served in a number of capacities before becoming President in 1956-57. As Governor's Special Representative, he was responsible for sponsoring eight new Rotary clubs in Mysore State. In 1959-60 he became the first Rotary Governor of the newly-created District 317. As Governor he chartered 22 Rotary Clubs during the course of one year - a record unsurpassed in Rotary history.

In recognition of his exceptional services to Rotary, Bomi was appointed Rotary Information and Extension Counsellor for 1960-61 by the R.I. President for three Districts 305, 310 and 320. As Rotary

Counsellor he conducted four Rotary Institutes in Karachi, Rawalpindi, Tiruchirapalli and Kanpur. He also had the distinction of being appointed member of the special Rotary International Extension Advisory Council for 1964-65.

Bomi's achievements in the field of banking and social activities are equally significant. He was Vice-President of the Bankers' Association, member of the Indian Institute of Bankers, Bangalore and member of the Mysore Chamber of Commerce. He is President of the Bangalore Zoroastrian Association, President of the Bangalore Centre of the Association for People's World Parliament and the Alumni Council of New York International House, Bangalore.



Rtn. PDG. K.S. Menon

President : 1957-58

District Governor : 1962-63

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A hearty welcome awaits PDG K.S.Menon whichever Rotary Club he chooses to visit, even though he has retired from active Rotary work - a tribute to his committed service to Rotary for close to 35 years.

Popularly known as KS, he joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1949. As President (1957-58) he created a record by attending each and every meeting of the various committees. It was during his tenure that career guidance was introduced as a regular programme and it continues to be actively pursued in various educational Institutions in the city.

As Governor Nominee he attended the International Assembly in Lake Placid, 1962 and the Los Angeles Convention in June that year.

He was elected District Governor (1962-63) and was responsible for extending the Rotary movement to Goa. He also served as Chairman of several District Committees.

In recognition of his services, Rotary International appointed him Information and Extension Counsellor during 1963-64 for three districts. In 1963 he attended the R.I. Information and Extension Institute held in Kowloon, Hong Kong. He held institutes in Baroda, Colombo and Kottayam. Each of these was associated with Inter-City Meets to which R.I. had attached him as leader. He was also a member of the Extension Advisory Council, R.I. in 1964-65 and of the Club Service Consultative Group R.I. It was due to the persuasive efforts of KS that the Rotary movement in Bangalore was expanded by sponsoring new clubs.

In 1969, KS retired from Binnys after four decades of service. But he continued to be active in Rotary as

Chairman of the District Conference the very next year. He was a long-standing member of the Indian Institute of World Culture and several other social organizations dedicated to the upliftment of the needy. KS was the President of the Bangalore Club for a year. He has been an active Free Mason for many years.



Rtn. PDG. S. Rangasami

President : 1962 – 63

District Governor : 1969-70

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Son of a distinguished family, PDG Rangasami holds an impressive record of Rotary Service.

Joining the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1954 he has, from the very start, been one of its most active members and served with distinction in several offices. He was elected President in 1962-63. He was also Chairman of several sub-committees. In fact, there is hardly any committee with which he has not been actively associated at one time or the other.

As Chairman of the Interact Sub-Committee, he successfully organized a community-based Interact Club. He was twice elected Governor's Group Representative and twice Governor's

Special representative. In this capacity he sponsored the Rotary Club of Bangalore North and the Rotary Club of Bangalore South. It was under his stewardship that four regional institutes under the four avenues of service were organized for the first time, in Panjim, Kolhapur, Bangalore and Tirupati. He was elected District Governor 1969-70.

Professionally associated with Binnys, Rangasami was an active member of the All India Textile Association and served as Chairman of its Bangalore Branch for several years.



Rtn. Ramnarayan Chellaram

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It is indeed difficult to describe the extraordinary generosity and humanism of Rtn. Ramnarayan Chellaram. A self-made man, he started life with a paltry sum of money and rose to prominence in textile and banking by dint of sheer hard work and integrity.

Inbued with an innate sympathy for the less fortunate, Rtn. Ramnarayan magnanimously gave of his time, money and labour in the cause of social and community welfare.

In association with the Rotary Club of Bangalore, he started the Book Bank Scheme to aid deserving students. There are now more than 80 institutions in India and abroad which have adopted the Students Aid Scheme, and many have more than one book bank.

Rtn. Ramnarayan created the Ramnarayan Chellaram and Sons Charitable Trust to help alleviate the problems of the poor and the needy. Among the institutions he founded were the Seth Chellaram Kishindas Maternity Home, the Ramnarayan Chellaram College of Commerce, Seth Hundraj Chellaram Dispensary, Devibai Ramnarayan Rehabilitation Centre for cured leprosy patients and the Girdhar Ramnarayan Institute of Secretarial Practice.

Ramnarayan joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore on July 1, 1941. Soft-spoken and self-effacing, he preferred to work actively but behind the scenes, and did not aspire to occupy any official position. He was, however, Chairman of the Students Aid Committee.

Despite his reserve, Rtn. Ramnarayan held key positions in a number of organizations: President of the Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Bangalore Piece-Goods merchants Association, Sindhi Bankers Seva

Samithi and Vice-President of the Red Cross Society, Mysore State Bharat Scouts and the All India Piece-Goods and Yarn Merchants Association. He was also a member of the Distribution Advisory Committee of the All India Textile Control Board.

In recognition of his selfless dedication to the cause of humanity, this great philanthropist was awarded the Public Services Medal by the Maharaja of Mysore. Ramnarayan passed away on January 28, 1970 – a great loss to the community.



Rtn. P.P.P.J. Joseph

President : 1967-68

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A successful administrator, sportsman and writer, P.P.P.J. Joseph's involvement with Rotary spanned an active 30 years. Affectionately called Joe, he joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1951. He served as Secretary in 1957-58 and President in 1967-68. Coincidentally, the Club moved into its present premises, the Rotary House of Friendship, when Joe was President.

A man of many talents, Joe wrote, directed and produced innumerable plays. (He probably holds the world record for writing the maximum number of Rotary plays).

Sports and recreation were a lifetime hobby, and he was a Founder Vice-President of the Olympic Association.

He was also a member of several other sports associations and served on the Sports Council of India for three terms. He became the first and only Indian to be elected Vice-President of the World Leisure and Recreation Association, U.S.A.

Joe remained active till the very end. In 1981 he planned a cultural tour of Rotary Clubs around the world. Only July 8, after a much-lauded programme at the Rotary Club of Singapore, he retired to wake no more. His memory remains ever fresh, providing inspiration for every Rotarian.



Rtn. P. Gopalan Nair

Secretary 1967-68

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If any Rotarian could be singled out for setting up the Rotary House of Friendship in Bangalore, it is Rtn. P. Gopalan Nair. It was his own building, it was he who managed to get the plot in an enviable locality, it was with his initiative that the Rotary Club of Bangalore Charitable Trust was formed and it was he who doggedly worked at generating the funds and supervising the construction of the building.

His induction into Rotary was in 1956 at Hassan. Here, he was responsible for collecting Rs.90,000/- for the construction of a Rotary T.B.Clinic attached to the Hassan District Hospital. A Rotary Maternity Ward was also constructed at the Mission Hospital, at a cost of Rs.15,000/-.

In 1959, Gopalan Nair joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore. Two years later he was posted outside Bangalore, and on his return in 1964 rejoined the Club. He became Secretary in 1967-68. The construction of the half-completed Rotary House of Friendship was taken up by him together with the responsibility of collecting debentures and loans from Rotarians. Every member of the Club thus owes him an invaluable debt.

Gopalan Nair found time for active service to the community, too. He was President of the Kerala Samajam for three years. During his tenure, a school building costing Rs.3.5 lakh was constructed at Indiranagar, Bangalore. Today the school is recognized as one of the best in the city. He created another public trust, and an English Medium Nursery and Primary School was started in Domlur Layout in 1984.

In 1986 Rotary Club of Bangalore instituted 'The Spirit of Service



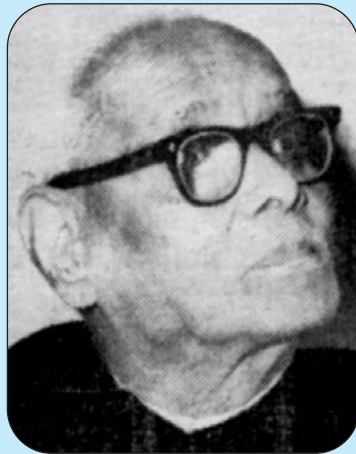
*Receiving award from
President S.G.Sundaraswamy*

Awards' to worthy recipients from among its members. Rtn. Gopalan Nair was conferred the first award.



Rtn. B.N. Gupta

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A stalwart in the journalistic field and an eminent public figure, Rtn. B.N.Gupta was a staunch supporter of Rotary. He joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore on October 27, 1956, and made admirable contributions to its community service activities.

The construction of the Rotary House of Friendship is a tribute to his organizational abilities, inspired doggedness and devotion to Rotary.

The dawn of independence witnessed BN becoming the Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the State Representative Assembly and a member of the Bangalore City Municipal Corporation, City Improvement Trust Board and Mysore

University Syndicate. Later, he retired from politics and became actively involved with the publication of Prajamata. Janavani, Janapragati and Mallige.

He played a key role in establishing the Visvesvwaraya Industrial and Technological Museum, one of the first of its kind in India. He was also instrumental in starting the Mysore Branch of the All India Manufacturers Organisation, and led a delegation of businessmen to Japan, under the aegis of the Mysore Chamber of Commerce. The consumer movement in Karnataka owes a great deal to BN.

To foster and encourage journalistic excellence, education, literature and research, BN formed the Janmabhoomi Trust. The University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore and Bangalore and Mysore Universities have been recipients of his munificence, through the Trust.

Inspired by an undying spirit of innovation and dynamism, BN experimented with the mechanics of an 'Intermediate technology' to promote economic growth and self-generating economy in rural India. In spite of his failing health, he devoted his time to Dr. Hardikar's Karnataka Health Institute at Ghataprabha.



Dr. R. S. Padmanabhan

President : 1971-72

District Governor : 1977-78

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A distinguished member of the dental profession, PDG Dr. R.S.Padmanabhan holds an eventful record of Rotary Service.

Right from 1960, when he joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore, Paddu as he is fondly called, plunged into Rotary activity. He became President in 1971-72. He has also served as District Governor's Group Representative and District Chairman of several committees. He was closely associated with the formation of the Rotary Clubs of Bangalore North, South, East and Ramanagaram.

Paddu has attended various Rotary International Conventions and in 1977-78 enthusiastically served as Governor of District 319.

Professionally, he has acquitted himself equally well. He is a founder member of the Bangalore Branch of the All India Dental Association. As Organising Secretary he was responsible for the success of three All India Dental Conferences held in 1951, 1959 and 1964. He was also Vice-president of the All India Dental Association. He played a key role in setting up the Dental Colleges in Bangalore and Manipal.

Paddu was elected Fellow of the international College of Dentists, U.S.A. in 1964 and President of the International College of Dentists, Indian Section, in 1983. In 1975 he achieved the rare distinction of being invited to the Pierre Fauchard

Academy, USA, for his outstanding contributions to dentistry.

As a result of hospitality extended by Dr. R.S.Padmanabhan to Mrs. Alice Jennings of Australia, she bequeathed Rs.30 lakh to our club emphasizing that the amount he used for literacy projects.



Rtn. PDG P.T. Kasturi

President : 1978-79

District Governor : 1982-83

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A Civil Engineer and keen sportsman, PDG P.T.Kasturi is the kind of Rotarian who typifies Rotary in action and spirit. Popularly known as PT, he joined the Club in 1969, and has been one of its most dedicated workers ever since. Elected Secretary 1974-75, he became President 1978-79. In 1979, PT led the group Study Exchange Team to District 777 in U.S.A.

The Rotary Ambulance and Mobile Dispensary Projects, the voluntary Blood Donation Campaigns, and the Village Adoption Schemes are some of the humanitarian projects in which he has actively participated. He has the distinction of having received two medals from the Karnataka Branch of

the Indian Red Cross Society, in appreciation of his yeoman services in the field of voluntary blood collection. The Rotary-TTK Blood Bank set up by the Club in collaboration with the TTK Group is a prestigious project for which PT, as Chairman has worked tirelessly for the successful completion of the project.

PT has served the district with distinction as Chairman of several committees. In 1982-83, he was the Governor of District 319. In appreciation of his excellent work as Governor of District 319, PT was designated R.I. President's Representative at 2 District Conferences in the U.K. during March 1984. He was selected as instructor to the International Assembly for 2 consecutive years in 1987 and 1988. He was the Chairman for RVC Committee set up by Rotary International for Asia Zone. Trustees of the Rotary Foundation awarded PT

“Distinguished Service Award” in 1986. PT was the Rotary Foundation Coordinator for Asia Zone 1995-97. In recognition of his dedicated and selfless work, PT was awarded “Service Above Self” award in 1995, by Rotary International.



Rtn. P.D.G. M.K. Ramachandra

*(President 1972-73;
District Governor 1984-85)*



Service has always been the hallmark of Governor M.K.Ramachandra. A dynamic industrialist and businessman, he is deeply involved with the Rotary movement.

Joining the Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1960, Ram went through the Rotary mill till he became President in 1972-73. One of his outstanding accomplishments was the Inter-District Business Relations Conference, held in 1968. He led a Group Study Exchange team to District 511, U.S.A. and has been extremely active in the District Committees during the past decade. In 1982-83 as Chairman of the District 319 International Committee, he organised a highly successful conference on “World Understanding

for Goodwill and Peace”. This was a follow-up of the R.I.President's Goodwill Conference in New Delhi earlier.

In 1984-85, he served as Governor of District 319, with the same enthusiasm and zeal that marked his Presidentship. Chairman of Polio Plus Committee and was instrumental in carrying out immunization against Polio for nearly 1,60,000 children. Implemented Family Welfare Project with funding from Rotary Foundation, USA in 20 slums of Bangalore.

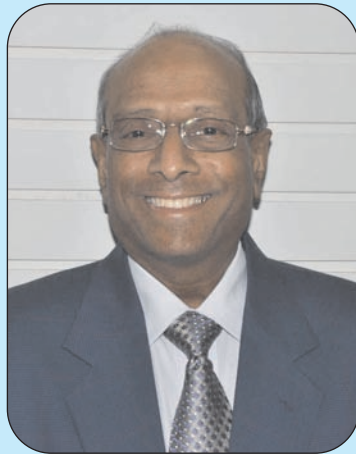
Widely travelled, Ram is a director of several companies. He has served as President of the Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industries, Chairman of the Karnataka State Finance Corporation for four years, and President of the Century Club. He was responsible for setting up the Department of Industrial Management at the Indian Institute of Science and has been actively involved with various financial and social institutions for a number of years. International

recognition has come, too, with a special invitation from the Japanese Government under the Programme for Productive Business leaders.

He is a past president, Greater Mysore Chamber of Commerce & Industry; Ex-Director, Andhra Bank; Ex-Director, on the Board of “The Vysya Bank Ltd” ; Director in many quasi Government companies in addition to his own companies; Served as a Member of the Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore(IIMB).



Rtn. P.H.F. C. V. Hayagriv



Rtn. C.V.Hayagriv is gifted with some kind of a Midas touch – whatever he touches turns into a gold mine. After proving this in his own profession as a jeweler, he repeated the feat in Rotary as well. As Chairman of Rotary Foundation Sub Committee in 1981-82, he turned out the richest haul till date- the maximum number of Paul Harris Fellows and Paul Harris Sustaining Members in one year from a Club. He is a major donor of the Rotary Foundation.

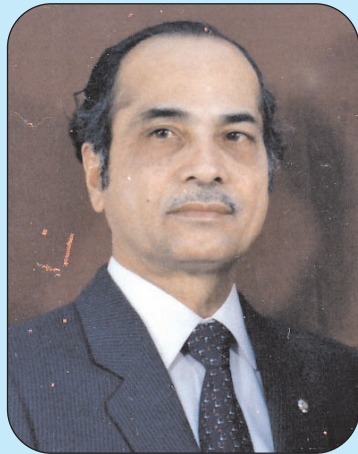
In appreciation of this stupendous achievement, Hayagriv received the Rotary Foundation Citation from Rotary International. And the District 319 Foundation Committee followed up with a Citation for meritorious Service.

Hayagriv joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore on April 18, 1966. A fervent believer in community service, he served as Chairman of several committees and was Treasurer in 1980-81. He is a major donor of the Rotary Foundation.

A highly successful businessman, Hayagriv is a Chairman of C.Krishniah Chetty & Sons Pvt. Ltd., one of the most trusted jewellery houses in the country. He is a pleasant conversationalist, well-versed in a wide range of subjects. He is also an enthusiastic sportsman, his favorite games playing golf and health walks



Rtn. PDG. PHF
M. Sreenivasa Rao



Rtn. PDG. PHF M.Sreenivasa Rao, popularly known as Sree was elected unanimously as District Governor nominee 1987-88 at the Conference at Tirupati during 1986.

He is a Graduate in Commerce (Gold Medallist), Law and Post-Graduate in Industrial Administration from the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and in International Marketing from Woolitch Institute of Technology, U.K. He is a fellow- member of the Institute of Costs and Works Accountants of India and of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India. Also a past National President of the Institute of Costs and Works Accountants of India.

He served United Breweries Limited, Bangalore, as President for over three decades and presently Director of many Public Limited Companies, both in the Private and Public Sectors.

Professionally, he is well known in the field of Management; having had credit of reviving and turning round many companies which were financially sick.

A keen Sportsman, M.Sreenivasa Rao is a very dedicated Rotarian who typifies Rotary in action and spirit. He joined Rotary Club of Bangalore in August 1968, and became President in 1980-81.

Sree has served the district with distinction as Chairman of several committees. In 1987-88 he was the Governor of District 319. In appreciation of his excellent work as Governor, Sree was honoured with the Rotary Foundation Citation for "Meritorious Service" in 1988.



Rtn. Capt. V.V.K. Mani

District Governor : 1997-98



Army and Advertising are poles apart. Yet the two have a vital role, the first to guard the Nation and the second the backbone of the Print Media. Fifty seven year old V.V.K. Mani popular as "Captain" to his friends was a versatile personality who had very effectively combined his role as an Army Officer and a space seller for one of the reputed National newspapers.

Capt. Mani had his initiation into the Advertising sphere after his graduation through the well-known J.Walter Thompson Company in the sixties. But his love for the country drew him away to the Indian Army which he served as a Commissioned Officer in the Regiment of Artillery during the Indo-Pak conflict for six years from 1963. He came back to his first love, Advertising, rejoining Hindustan Thompson Associates in a strategic position. He was Accounts Director responsible for planning and execution of campaigns for leading

advertisers. He later joined Focus Advertising Pvt. Ltd. As its Regional Manager (South) and was soon elevated to the position of General Manager of the Agency. He planned and executed many a campaign for advertisers, especially those dealing in consumer durables and industrial products. He joined the Hindu as Regional Manager in 1978.

What was striking about Captain Mani was his readiness to share his experience with the young generation desirous of entering the Advertising Field with a lot of unexploited potential. He was visiting Professor to Universities of Madras, Mysore and Bangalore, teaching Advertising and Newspaper Management to students of Mass Communication. He was also Faculty Member of Rajendra Prasad College of Mass Communication.

Captain Mani was known for his commitment to and close involvement in many organizations. A much sought after man, he was Past President of Advertising Club, Bangalore, Past Chairman, Public Relations Society of





*PDG Rtn. VVK Mani and Dr. Latha Jagannathan
explaining the workings of
Rotary TTK Blood Bank to Shri S M Krishna*

India, Bangalore Chapter, Member National Council of Public Relations Society of India, Past President of Bangalore Management Association, Past Chairman and Vice president of Southern Regional Council of All India Management Association.

He was also a very popular figure in Rotary activities in Bangalore and in Bangalore's elitist club circles. He was Past President of Rotary Club of Bangalore, Secretary of Bangalore Medical Services Trust, Past President of Bangalore Club, Member, Cricket Club, Madras, Member, Century Club, Bangalore and Member of the Karnataka Golf Association.

He was one of those in the ad world who was widely travelled within the country.

He travelled overseas including to Europe and Hamburg in West Germany

to attend a meeting of the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs. He visited Frankfurt, Berlin, London, Paris, Vienna, Rome, Zurich, Japan, Australia and the United States.

Married to Lakshmi, an officer with Union Bank of India. Has two children Rajesh Mani and Kavitha Mani, Kavitha is married to Sagar Muthappa whose father is Rtn. B.G.Muthappa who is a member of the Rotary Club of Bangalore.



Rtn. PDG Dr. Prithvi Raval



Prithvi Raval is a dental surgeon and a prosthodontist by profession. After his education in India, he did his post-graduate studies and Fellowship in the United States for a period of 3 years. He has a full time reputed private practice.

Dr. Prithvi Raval joined Rotary in 1976; was not new to the Club, being a Rotaractor and, son of Past Governor Dr. R.S.Padmanabhan. . He was the youngest President when he served the Club in 1987-88, and as District Governor during 2000-2001.

His banner collection of the entire Rotary World, each banner from one Rotary District was unique and was used as a backdrop at the Rotary District 3190 Conference.

For the services rendered, Rotary International has recognised his work with the highest award a Rotarian can get, the “Service Above Self” award.

He conceived and initiated the Burns Ward at Chinmaya Mission Hospital & built a One Floor to Anantha Shishu Nivas Orphanage. Since 1983 he has served as a Rotary International Volunteer 10 times ranging from refugee camps in the Philippines to the Central Valley of Amazon, Jamaica, Guatemala & Kenya in Africa. He has been recognized by the Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation by its highest awards 'The Service Above Self'; “Meritorious” & “Distinguished” Awards. The former two which he received before becoming a District Governor for the year 2000-01.

He conceived the idea of a Mobile Dental Van raising funds of US\$30,000/-. It ran for 7 years treating about 25,000 corporation school children. For the needy, he has established dental clinics for the tribal people in Gudalur at the foothills of Nilgiris, at the Lady Willingdon Hospital, Kullu-Manali and for the Spastic Society Children in Bangalore.



Breakfast with past RI President Frank Devlyn

As the Zone 5 & 6 Centennial Chairman for Avoidable Blindness for 2003-05 he initiated and put on rails a mega project of performing 75,000 Cataract surgeries and IOLs. 24,000 Surgeries have been undertaken by RCB as a lead club at a cost of US\$22 per surgery.



Founding India Chapter Chair for the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR)

Rtn. Prithvi Raval was instrumental in following up a legacy left behind by an Australian lady family friend who was introduced as a guest by Rtn. Dr. Padmanabhan in the 1960's. The club gained Australian \$100,000.

As the District Chair for The Rotary Foundation for 3 years he assisted the District Governors in raising more than

US\$450,000 to the Annual Giving Programs Fund. He is a 6 times Multiple Paul Harris Fellow.

PDG. Rtn. Dr. Prithvi Raval was chosen to represent our District RID 3190 to the Council on Legislation held at Chicago in April 2007.

He is Founding India Chapter Chair for



Bringing smiles to underprivileged children in Kenya

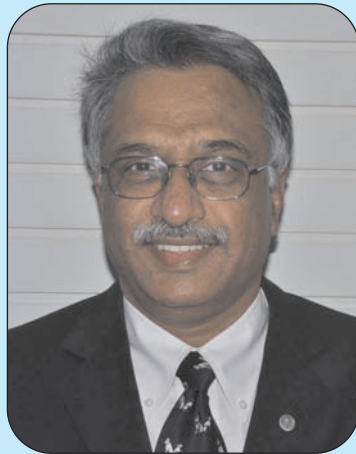
the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR) and undertook a solo motorcycle journey to Leh, Ladakh in Aug 2006. He is an International Board member of the Action Global Networking Group for Avoidable Blindness.



Dental treatment in remote areas of Guatemala



PDG Rtn. K. N. Prabhaskar



K. N. Prabhaskar, popularly called as Prabha, is a Chartered Accountant by profession. He did his schooling and Bachelor of Commerce from Bangalore and completed his Chartered Accountancy in 1977. He started his career as Finance Executive in a Canadian Company. After serving for two years he decided to set up his own practice. He is the Senior Partner with Ashok Kumar, Prabhaskar & Co., Chartered Accountants, specialised in Corporate Accounts, Taxation and Project Funding. He has an associate network across the country. He is a fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and also member of Institute of Internal Auditors.

Prabha joined Rotary in 1986. He was the President of Rotary Club of Bangalore. With a perfect attendance over the years, he has served the club in

various capacities before assuming office of the President. He was instrumental in setting up Rotary Muthappa Hospital and also additional facilities for a school during his tenure as President.

He has served Rotary District 3190 in various capacities. He was the District Chairman for various committees, District Secretary, Chairman for the 23rd Rotary District Conference, Assistant Governor and Member of the Nominating Committee to nominate District Governor. He has participated in many Districts as Discussion Leader including the District Leadership Development programme. He was Group Study Exchange Leader to IOWA, USA during the year 1999-2000.

He was nominated as the District Governor of District 3190 for the year 2003-04. Under the able leadership of Rotary International President Rtn. Jonathan Majiyagbe with the theme Lend a Hand, he gave an exceptional leadership to the District. Participation

of the Rotarians in the District was the highest during his leadership. The District created a history in conducting number of blood donation camps and the community service was at its peak. He set a new benchmark for District 3190 towards contribution to the Rotary Foundation. The District contributed US\$ 115,000 as Annual Giving with a per capita of US\$ 45, which was almost 90 percent higher to the previous year. The total contribution to the Rotary Foundation during his year was US\$ 170,000. RI recognized him by inviting him to represent Rotary International President for the District Conference at Kolkata Dist. 3290 during the year 2004-05. He was the District Trainer for the Rotary year 2005-06. He is also a recipient of Meritorious Service Award from Rotary Foundation



PDJ Rtn. S.S.Ramdas



Sondekoppa Sundaraswamy Ramdas was born on 19th November 1952 into an illustrious family of lawyers, being a third generation lawyer. Having had his early education in Bangalore, he graduated with B.A.(Hons.) in Economics and later studied law and obtained his LLB. Degree from Bangalore University.

Ramdas has been in active legal practice for the last 30 years. He has been designated Senior Advocate by the High Court of Karnataka. He is a Senior Partner of M/s Sundaraswamy Ramdas & Anand, Advocates, and a leading law firm in Bangalore.

Ramdas was an active member of the Rotaract Club of Bangalore North during his student days. He joined the Rotary Club of Bangalore in the year 1976 and held several posts at the Club level. He has also served as District Secretary, Chairman, District Conference Committee and Assistant Governor R.I.District 3190 for the year 2005-2006.

Besides his pre-occupation with the legal profession and his involvement with the Rotary Movement, he is closely associated with several educational, cultural, social and religious organizations.

His wife, Bharati, is also an advocate and actively involved in several social and cultural activities and has served as the Inner Wheel District Chairman during 1998-99.

Son Kamalacharan is a practicing lawyer and daughter-in-law Ranjitha is an Engineer. Daughter Maitreyi, after

completing her MBA Degree in Finance and Marketing, is presently employed at Reuters India Private Limited.

Ramdas, Bharathi and Kamalacharan are Paul Harris Fellows.



Rtn. A.N. Jayaram



Rtn. A.N. Jayaram is a distinguished member of the Legal profession, with a practice extending over 50 years. He took his B.Sc. and LL.B degrees from (the then) Mysore University and a Master's degree from a U.S. University on a Ford Foundation fellowship. He is an alumnus of The Hague Academy of International Law, Netherlands. He was designated as Senior Advocate of the Karnataka High Court in 1986.

While continuing with his active practice, he taught International Law to LL.B. and LL.M. students and served on the Senate and Academic Council of the Bangalore University. He was also the Principal of S.J.R. Law College for seven years.

In 1995, he was appointed as the Additional Solicitor General of India in the Supreme Court of India. He was appointed the Advocate-General for Karnataka and served between 1999 to 2004.

He was elected the President for two terms, both of the Bangalore Bar Association (the largest Body of Lawyers in India) and also of the International Commission of Jurists (Karnataka Section). He has served on the Executive Committee of the Bar Association of India.

He was named the International Observer by the International Commission of Jurists (Geneva) and the Inter Parliamentary Union (a world organization of freely elected Parliaments) to monitor and report on the trial of an Opposition M.P. in Sri Lanka. He was the leader of the delegation of Indian Lawyers, who visited China in 2004 at the invitation

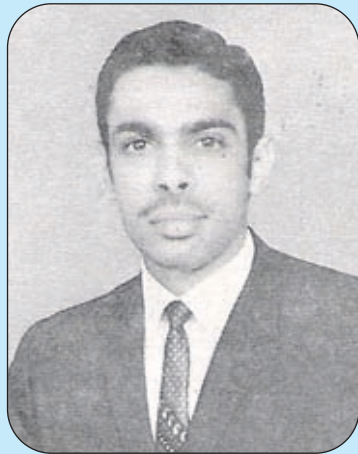
of the All China Lawyers Association.

He has attended / helped organize many Indian and International Law Conferences, Seminars, etc. He has been a Rotarian since 1984.

His other interests include Rural Education and Sanskrit. He is the founder-chairman of a School in the village of his birth providing free and quality education to about one thousand village children. He is connected with some charitable Trusts.



Honourable Justice *R. J. Babu*

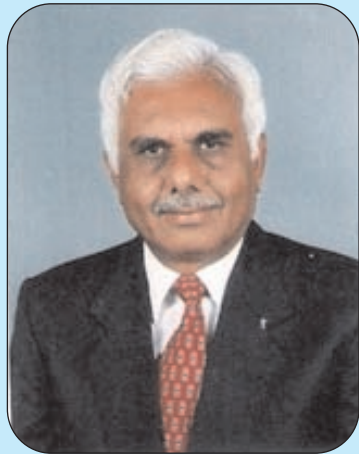


Rtn. R.J.Babu was born on 5-4-1932. After a brilliant academic career, he secured a Degree in Law and was enrolled as an advocate on 9-2-1968. Within a very short period, he built up a lucrative and rich practice. His preparation of the case and as an advocate was thorough and his presentation was clear and precise. He took keen interest in the activities of the Karnataka State Commission of Jurists which is an affiliate of International Commission of Jurists and also got elected as its President during 1989-90. He was a Lecturer in Political Science between the years 1965-67.

Rtn. R.J.Babu joined Rotary on 1-7-1968. He was a very active Rotarian and on his being elevated as Justice of Karnataka High Court, he resigned the Club on 30-6-1990.



Honourable Justice L. Sreenivasa Reddy



Sri. Sreenivasa Reddy was born on 20-5-1936 and comes from a very respectable Agricultural family. After his early education in Rashtreeya Vidyalaya, Bangalore, he graduated from St. Joseph's College, Bangalore and law from the Government Law College, Bangalore.

He enrolled as an advocate on 29-3-1962 and set up an independent practice. He was recognised for his forensic abilities. He was appointed as a Public Prosecutor in 1978 and in 1980, he became High Court Govt. Leader, and in 1982, he was appointed as third Additional Govt. Advocate which post he held till May 1983. He was appointed as a State Public Prosecutor in 1990 which post he held

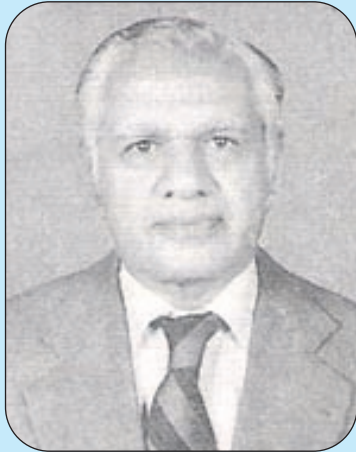
till he was elevated to the High Court Bench.

Rtn. L.Sreenivasa Reddy joined Rotary on 2-7-2990. He was a keen Rotarian, deeply interested in Social and Cultural activities. On being elevated to the High Court Bench as Justice, he resigned from the Membership of the Club on 30-6-1991.



Rtn. Dr. G. V. K. Rao

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A distinguished Civil Servant, Dr. Rao joined Rotary in 1981.

After a brilliant academic career, he entered the Mysore Civil Service in 1941. In his distinguished career of 38 years both with the Government of Karnataka and Government of India, he served in many capacities as, Member, National Planning Commission, Development Commissioner, Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka, Principal Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, etc.

He has also served as Member and Chairman, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore

and Director of many Public and Private Limited Companies.

Currently, he is the Chairman, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore. He is also Chairman, Member, Director of various Companies.

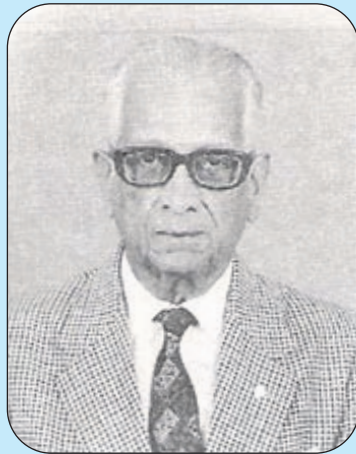
As a member and leader, he has served United Nations in Tanzania, Zambia, Kampuchea, Laos and as a special advisor of DG. FAO on "AID in kind to Africa".



PP Rtn. C. S. Seshadri

President : 1982-83

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Rtn. C.S.Seshadri, a respected and distinguished Civil Servant, was one of the few IAS Officers, who joined Rotary Movement very early in 1961.

Soft spoken Rtn. C.S.Seshadri served the Government of Karnataka in various capacities such as Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Bangalore; Divisional Commissioner, Districts of Gulbarga and Belgaum and Secretary to the Government of Karnataka. He was also the Chief Secretary, Government of Pondicherry. When National Extension services was introduced in Karnataka, he took charge of the scheme and made it a national success. He was also the Chairman of Karnataka State Finance Corporation. During his tenure as Chairman, KSFC, he did yeoman service in Industrial Development of the State.

He joined Rotary Club of Bangalore in 1961. He served the Club in various capacities and was its President during 1982-83. He has the distinction of being the Past President of two other clubs, i.e., Rotary Club of Pondicherry and Rotary Club of Gulbarga. He was the classmate of Maharaja of Mysore, Late Sri. Jayachamaraja Wodeyar and an authority on the History of Old State of Mysore.

He resigned from the Club in 1993 to settle down in Mysore with his son.



Rtn. V. Vishwanathan



Rtn. Vishwanathan is known to one and all as 'Vish'. He is a Chartered Accountant by profession, with added qualification of Company Secretary as well. He has work experience of over 33 years in India and overseas.

Vish has the distinction of having passed Chartered Accountancy examination when he was 20.5 years of age, when the legal minimum age for admission to the membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants was 21. From that young age, Vish has been in the corporate world, joining Godrej Soaps Ltd, at Bombay as a Management Trainee. His experience spans across Consumer Products, Chemicals, Engineering, Financials

Services and Information Technology industries. His longest stint has been with the IT industry, starting in 1991 when he joined Tata Elextel as Head of Finance. He rose to the level of an Executive Vice President when he was posted as Chief Financial officer for Tata IBM Ltd, a joint venture between Tata and IBM. He stayed with IBM for 10 years before returning to Tata group in 1996. He is currently with Tata Consultancy Services Ltd as Vice President and Head of Corporate Strategy.

His career has taken him to many places in the world including Doha, Dubai, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Australia, Japan, France, Germany, UK and USA.

Vish's leisure activities include Golf, Swimming, Reading, Music and Cooking. His family consists of his Ann Gita who is a Counselor specializing in Women and Children counseling, working with NGO's. Vish

and Gita have two children, Preetika - a charming 18 year old girl waiting to start her Engineering studies and Kaushik - a budding golfer of 13 years.

Vish has been a committed Rotarian for over a decade under the vocation-Business Development.