



## GITAM UNIVERSITY

Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, GITAM, ranks among the top universities in the country with three picturesque campuses at Visakhapatnam, Hyderabad and Bengaluru. These 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 147 UG, PG and Doctoral programmes in diverse disciplines such as Technology, Pharmacy, Science, Management, Humanities, International Business, Architecture, Law, Medicine and Nursing. GITAM alumni are occupying many coveted positions in the country and abroad.

GITAM has 20000, regular fulltime students and over 1200 research scholars hailing from almost all the states of the country. Well qualified and committed faculty of over 1200 provides world class education. GITAM is actively pursuing advanced research in several thrust areas of contemporary relevance.

With 37 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 AWARD

'GITAM Foundation Award' is instituted with a benevolent donation by Dr. M.V.V.S. Murthi, with 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 the 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 the services to humanity on that day.

## 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.



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". He was awarded "Padma Bhushan" in the year 1972 and "Padma Vibhushan" in 1989 by the Govt. of India.



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. He was awarded "Padma Vibhushan" by the Govt. of India in 2002.



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. He was awarded "Padma Shri" by the Govt. of India in 2002.



2016

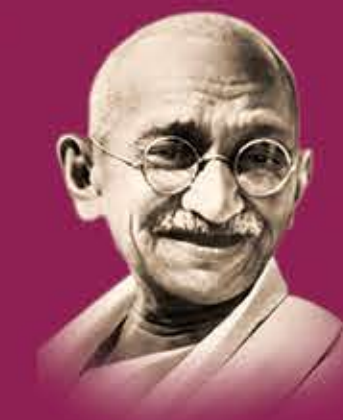
**Prof. C.N.R. Rao** is a world renowned scientist in Solid State Chemistry and Materials Science. He has published 1630 research papers and either authored or edited 50 books and received honorary doctorates from 60 universities. He was honoured with the highest civilian award "Bharat Ratna" in 2014.



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(Estd. u/s 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

VISAKHAPATNAM \* HYDERABAD \* BENGALURU

**Board of Governors & Board of Management**  
cordially invite you to grace the occasion



**GITAM**

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

at 3.00 pm on Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**Venue:**

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

## GITAM FOUNDATION DAY Celebrations 2017



Chief Guest  
**Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu**

Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu, the beloved Chief Minister of the Sunrise State of Andhra Pradesh, hails from an exceptionally hardworking middle class family of Naravaripalli village in Chittoor. Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu is India's pride, a man of the rural masses, an administrator harnessing the most sophisticated technologies, a visionary leader consistently striving towards creating a society without poverty.

His first two terms as the Chief Minister of AP from 1995 to 2004 were truly epoch-making. Known as the CEO Chief Minister, he introduced several market-based reforms and populist schemes which none of his predecessors had ever launched. Andhra Pradesh witnessed a great IT boom under the exemplary leadership of Shri Naidu. His Vision-2020 policy document for the all-round development of the state is testimony to his passion for making Andhra Pradesh another Singapore.

That magnificent vision is being made a reality today during Shri Naidu's new innings as Chief Minister of the residuary state of Navya Andhra Pradesh. Ever since he has taken office in 2014, the CM has been on a whirlwind mission – introducing unique IT, aerospace and defence policies; decentralising development across all regions of the state; evolving strategies for creating rapid employment opportunities; ensuring that the best businesses set up home in the state; and building the world class capital city Amaravati. His vision and approach have revitalised the people and infused life into every sphere of governance.

Shri Naidu has won a number of awards including IT Indian of the Millennium from India Today, Business Person of the Year by The Economic Times, South Asian of the Year from Time Asia and membership in the World Economic Forum's Dream Cabinet. He chaired the National IT Panel under the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi NDA government and was described as one of the "hidden seven", working wonders around the world, by Profit (Oracle Corporation's monthly magazine).



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### 37<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Celebrations

Venue: Dr. Yellapragada Subbarao Auditorium, GIMSR, GITAM University,  
Saturday, the 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2017

Chief Guest:

### Shri N. Chandrababu Naidu

Hon'ble Chief Minister  
Government of Andhra Pradesh

Distinguished Guest:

### Dr. Takaaki Kajita

GITAM Foundation Awardee

In the presence of:

### Dr. M.V.V.S. Murthi

President, GITAM

### Prof. K.Ramakrishna Rao

Chancellor, GITAM University

### Prof. M.S. Prasada Rao

Vice-Chancellor, GITAM University

will preside

## GITAM FOUNDATION Awardee -2017



**Dr. Takaaki Kajita**

Dr. Takaaki Kajita, a world renowned Japanese physicist, working on Cosmic Ray Physics, won the 2015 Nobel Prize in Physics for his revolutionary neutrino experiments at the Kamiokande and Super-Kamiokande detectors in the Kamioka mines of Japan.

Dr. Kajita shared the Nobel Prize in Physics with Canada's Arthur McDonald for showing experimentally that neutrinos have mass. His work showed that the laws on elementary particles have to be understood more deeply, because the Standard Model of Physics has proven to be incomplete.

Dr. Kajita received his doctorate in 1986 at the University of Tokyo and is a stalwart at the Institute for Cosmic Radiation Research. He became director of the Centre for Cosmic Neutrinos at the Institute for Cosmic Ray Research (ICRR) in 1999. He is also the Principal Investigator of the KAGRA gravitational wave detector and Principal Investigator at the Institute for the Physics and Mathematics of the Universe in Tokyo.

Innumerable honours have been bestowed on Dr. Takaki Kajita in recognition of a lifetime dedicated to research of the highest standards that has opened up great possibilities for humankind. These include The Asahi Prize (1988), the Bruno Rossi Prize (1989), the Nishina Memorial Prize (1999), the Japan Academy Prize (2012), the Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics (2015), Harvard Foundation Scientist of the Year in 2016 as well as honorary doctorates by Padova University, Aligarh Muslim University, University of Naples Federico, University of Delhi, University of Perugia, to name just a few.

Dr. Takaaki Kajita is presently Director of the Institute for Cosmic Ray Research, University of Tokyo.