

Congratulations to Professor V. R. Panchamukhi sir



CMDR extends its heartiest congratulations to Professor V. R. Panchamukhi sir, Founder Member of CMDR, Dharwad for being awarded Padmashree on the eve of 76th Republic Day by Government of India.

The credentials of Prof. V. R. Panchamukhi include:

Former Chairman: Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

Karnataka Rajyotsava Awardee - 2002

Managing Editor: Indian Economic Journal, Indian Economic Association

Managing Trustee: Indian Economic Association Trust for Research and Development

Former Vice-Chairman: Indian Economic Association Trust for Research and Development

Former Vice President: Sukhamoy Chakravarty Memorial Trust

Former President: South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Economic Association

President: Indian Economic Association (1994)

President: The Indian Econometric Society (1998-2000)

Convener: VIII World Economic Congress, New Delhi (1986)

Founder Director General: Research and Information System for the Non-Aligned & Developing Countries (now RIS for Developing Countries)

Member, Research Staff: United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Vienna

Research Professor: Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi

Professor of Economics: Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi University

Economic Advisor: Ministry of Finance, Government of India

Member Secretary: P. C. Alexander Committee on Import-Export Policies and Procedures

He has also served as a consultant to several UN bodies, including UNCTAD, UNDP, ILO, and multilateral organizations like the World Bank and IMF, as well as inter-governmental bodies such as the G-77 and the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

Advisory Positions:

Founding Member: Madras School of Economics

Founding Member: Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations

Member, Board of Directors: Indian Overseas Bank

Member, Board of Directors: Risk Capital and Technology Finance Corporation Ltd.

Member, Board of Directors: Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI Ltd); Nominee of IDBI

Member, Board of Governors: Sri Ram Centre for Industrial Relations

Member, Governing Body: Centre for Multi-Disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Dharwad

Member, Governing Body: Institute of Labour Development, Jaipur

Member, Governing Body: Indian Institute of Foreign Trade

Member, Governing Body: Indian Council of South Asian Co-operation

Member, Academic Council: Jawaharlal Nehru University

Current Roles:

Chancellor: Sri Gurusarvabhoma Sanskrit Vidyapeetham, Mantralayam, Andhra Pradesh

Executive Director: Gurusarvabhoma Samsodhan Mandir, Mantralayam

Chairman: The Indian Econometric Society Trust

President: National Institute of Vedic Science, Bangalore

Honorary Chairman: Board of Governors, Academy of Grassroots Studies and Research of India (AGRASRI) since 2021

Contributions to Economics:

Professor Panchamukhi has made significant contributions to economics, particularly in the application of game theory to international trade policy analysis. His collaborative work on 'Effective Rates of Protection and Domestic Resource Cost' with Jagdish Bhagwati and T. N. Srinivasan influenced trade policy regimes in the 1960s and 1970s. He also worked on development models and resource gaps for countries in the ESCAP region, contributing to resource transfer strategies in the 1970s. His analytical paper on the proposed Multilateral Agreement on Investment was utilized in WTO Ministerial Meetings in the 1990s.

Contributions to Sanskrit:

In addition to his economic pursuits, Professor Panchamukhi has authored multiple books in Sanskrit on economics and management and has composed numerous Sanskrit poems. As Chancellor of Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati, he initiated innovative programs such as Sanskrit–Science exhibitions, Sansk-Net, and the digitization of Sanskrit manuscripts. He also established a new department of Dvaita Vedanta at the university.

His research interests include the Bhagavad Gita and management, ancient Indian thoughts on development, the relevance of Sanskrit in modern times, and the intersection of Sanskrit and science. He has delivered lectures interpreting the Bhagavad Gita's principles in contemporary contexts, which were broadcast by SVBC TV (Sri Venkateswara Bhakti Channel, TTD).