

Press Release

Dr. Reena Ramachandran, DG, JKBS conferred 'Honorary Fellowship' by AIMA

Gurgaon, December 17, 2008: All India Management Association (AIMA) has conferred its highest honor "the honorary fellowship" on Dr. Reena Ramachandran, Director General, JK Business School (JKBS). Prof. V. N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, IGNOU presented the fellowship to Dr. Reena Ramachandran during AIMA's 12th Convocation on 2nd August, 2008.

The Honorary Fellowship is in recognition of Reena Ramachandran's exemplary leadership, foresight, vision, and entrepreneurial prowess, and her key role in shaping the management education landscape in India and globally. Her contribution towards facilitating transformation through education was also acknowledged and appreciated.



This honour is accorded to people of eminence who, besides paving an illustrious management career for themselves, have made significant contribution towards management profession through management publications/research, faculty contribution, outside the sphere of employment. The past recipients of 'The Honorary Fellowship' from AIMA include some very distinguished names such as Dr Manmohan Singh, Mr K B Dadiseth, Mr Kumaramangalam Birla, Mr Sam Pitroda, Mr. Shiv Nadar, CMD, HCL to name a few.

On the occasion, Reena Ramachandran said, "This is a great honour for me. I have always viewed management Education as vital for socio-economic transformation. While education drives the need for transformation, technology expedites the process of transformation, making it all pervasive. We've had some brilliant minds of our times come together at this AIMA forum and exchange views on transformation in various spheres. I am confident, we'll witness some of these great ideas translate into action and transform the world around us. "

Dr. Reena Ramachandran is also actively associated with many organizations for upliftment of women through education in India. In this process, she has established a special cell "Centre for Gender Studies" at JKBS. She has been appointed as chairperson of Steering Committee on Women in Leadership by AIMA. She has been the founder President of Forum of Women in Public Sector (WIPS). She has also been awarded by the Hon'ble vice president of India as "Mahila Shiromini". She was appointed by the then Union Human Resource & Development Minister, **Dr. Mulri Manohar Joshi as an expert member of the Committee set up by the Ministry of**

Human Resources to develop policy perspectives for management education in 2000.

In the field of management education, Reena Ramachandran is actively involved in providing 'world class research oriented quality education' at JK Business School.

She is also known as first women chairperson of a public sector company i.e. Chairman & Managing Director, Hindustan Organic Chemicals, a PSU under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, General Manager, ONGC, Cement Research Institute and Ministry of Science & Technology. With a varied professional experience of over thirty years in Textile, Drug, Cement, Petroleum and Petrochemical Industry including, management of small industrial units, transfer of technology and planning, and management of corporate affairs, Dr. Ramachandran also has over nine years research experience in the field of natural product chemistry, medicinal chemistry, textile chemistry and physical organic chemistry. elected member of over a score of technical, management and educational advisory committees, boards, and councils.

About AIMA: AIMA is an apex body of management associations with active support from the Government of India. AIMA is intended as a cause group –a body to pool management thoughts in the country, a forum to develop a national managerial ethos, an organization to facilitate the furtherance of the profession and its contribution to the society.

About JKBS:

JK Business School (JKBS) is the business education service provider founded to groom and develop efficient managers and business leaders. JKBS is backed by **JK Organization**, which is one of India's largest industrial groups, founded more than a century ago, with an annual turnover exceeding US\$ 2.5 billion. JK Organization has activities in different sectors ranging from manufacture of fibers & yarns, paper, cement, automobile tyres & tubes, engineering files, pharmaceuticals, sugar, dairy products, agro chemicals, as also being engaged in the field of computer software and education. JKBS is expected to generate leaders who can create, transform and sustain successful organizations throughout the world.

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