



PROFILE OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTORS

1. MR. E NANDAKUMAR

Mr. E Nandakumar, erstwhile Executive Director of BPCL- Kochi Refinery, is a Chemical Engineer and trained in Strategic Business Management at the Harvard University, USA. He started his career with SAIL at their Bokaro Steel Plant. He also had 30 years of experience with the petroleum industry with vast experience in Project Management, Operations, Business Development and Marketing. He has served as a Director on the Boards of Cochin Port Trust, Cochin International Airport Limited, Petronet CCK and as an Independent Director in the State PSU, Malabar Cements Ltd. He was a member of advisory panel of various statutory and non- statutory bodies and involved in framing many of the safety standards for the Hydrocarbon industry as part of the OISD. He had participated as member/ leader in the safety audits of several refineries in India. He is involved with social initiatives like “Nanma” which is engaged in the capability enhancement of students from the economically backward section, Kochi Time Bank etc. Post superannuation, he worked for 3 years as a consultant in Vietnam.

2. DR. JUSTICE (RETD.) M JAICHANDREN

Dr. Justice (Retd.) M Jaichandren, holds Bachelor Degree of Arts, Masters’ Degree in Criminology at the Department of Psychology, University of Madras. He has in all, 46 years’ standing in the Bar and Bench, of which 12 years beginning 10th December, 2005, he served as the Justice in the High Court of Madras. Presently, the Senior Advocate of Supreme Court of India, he has many credentials acting as Honorary Professor of Law at Tamil Nadu Judicial Academy, Chennai, conducting cases of far reaching significance relating to issues involving Human Rights and Environmental problems besides undertaking many acclaimed roles such as recognition as “International Visitor” on Human Rights issues under invitation by United States of America representing the Country as Fellow of Session- 390, International Legal Perception on Human Rights’ held at Salzburg, Austria.

3. MR. V RANGANATHAN

Mr. V Ranganathan, a Chartered Accountant and Company Secretary, has expertise in advisory role on financial and taxation matters, acting as Consultant at EY for more than 20 years, besides being a visiting faculty at IIM Ahmedabad on the subject of mergers and corporate restructuring. Mr. V Ranganathan holds the position of Independent Director in few other prominent Companies including listed ones. He is a member in leading industry bodies and social service organisations such as Madras Chamber of Commerce, CII, ASSOCHAM, FICCI and a Trustee of Palkhivala Foundation, Chennai.





4. **PROF. (DR.) M K C NAIR**

Prof. (Dr.) M. K. C. Nair is presently serving as Director, NIMS-SPECTRUM-Child Development Research Centre, Thiruvananthapuram. He was formerly Vice Chancellor & Emeritus Professor Research Kerala University of Health Sciences (KUHS) Emeritus Professor in Developmental Behavioural & Adolescent Paediatrics, CDC Kerala Certificate of Modern Medicine Registration. He was the Founder Director of Child Development Centre, Kerala. Dr. Nair was the National President of the Indian Academy of Paediatrics- 2004, Indian Clinical Epidemiology Network-2005-07 and National Neonatology Forum- 2011-12. He was also the Founder Secretary of Growth & Development Chapter and Adolescent Paediatrics Chapter of Indian Academy of Paediatrics, both of which have established annual Oration Awards in his name. Dr. Nair was the first recipient of Doctor of Science in Medicine from Kerala. He received his training in research methodology from Newcastle University, Australia and he is a renowned researcher in developmental and adolescent Paediatrics. He has published many books in developmental Paediatrics, adolescent care counselling, parenting and premarital health counselling. He has written more than 200 articles in international and national journals.

5. **MRS. SHIRLEY THOMAS**

Mrs. Shirley Thomas has rich hands on all round Banking experience from Branch Banking to Network level senior management roles, started with State Bank of India (SBI) in 1984 as a Probationary Officer and had a long career of 37 years in SBI before retiring as General Manager in October 2021. She has expertise in various areas like SME business, retail business, commercial banking, stressed asset management, Enterprise and group risk management, Agriculture and Microfinance.

6. **MR. HIDEHITO JAY ARAKI**

Mr. Hidehito Jay Araki has majored in Marketing from San Diego State University (USA). He has an industry experience of about 38 years across the globe. He has previously held the position of CEO and MD in ADK Fortune Communications Private Ltd. He has also served as Independent Director for JTEKT India Ltd. He is the officially appointed India representative for Osaka Business Development Agency.

