

Excellence honoured by AIMA

The AIMA Managing India Awards 2012 were awarded to stalwarts who have contributed to their respective fields at a glittering ceremony in New Delhi last evening

To recognise the efforts of leaders who have contributed to the management of their respective fields, the All India Management Association (AIMA) honoured them with the AIMA Managing India Awards 2012. Honouring the awardees at Hotel Taj Palace on the evening of April 18 was Chief Guest Kamal Nath, Union Minister for Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation, Government of India. The third edition of these awards also had Nhlanhla Musa Nene, Deputy Minister for Finance, Republic of South Africa as the Guest of Honour.

Introducing the Lifetime Contribution Award for Prathap C Reddy, Executive Chairman, The Apollo Group, NK Singh Member of Rajya Sabha lauded the exceptional work done by Reddy in the field of healthcare. Preetha Reddy, Vice President, AIMA & Managing Director, Apollo Hospital introduced the award winner for the Indian Multinational of the Year which was given to The Aditya Birla Group. Receiving the award was Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman, The Aditya Birla Group.

Suhel Seth, Managing Partner, Counselage India announced Nita M Ambani, Chairperson, Reliance Foundation, as the winner of Corporate Citizen of the Year.

Arun Maira Member, Planning Commission, Govt of India introduced the award for E Sreedharan,

Former Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation for Outstanding Institution Builder of the Year. YC Deveshwar, Chairman, ITC Limited was the unanimous choice for the Business Leader of the Year award, announced by Shekhar Gupta, Editor-in-chief, The Indian Express. Reading the citation for Outstanding PSU of the Year Award, Vinod Mehta, Editor-in-chief, Outlook India drew attention to the focused strategic pursuits of the winner ONGC Ltd. The award was received by Sudhir Vasudeva, Chairman & Managing Director, ONGC Ltd. In the field of media, Prannoy Roy, Executive Co-Chairperson, NDTV was honoured with Outstanding Contribution to Media Award. While fashion designer Ritu Kumar introduced Malvinder Singh, Chairman, Fortis Healthcare (India) Ltd for the Emerging Business Leader of the Year Award, Mahendren Moodley, CEO-First Rand Bank India introduced Shivinder Singh, Vice Chairman of the company for the same award as a joint winner. The Microsoft Corporation was adjudged as the Multinational in India of the Year. Shikha Sharma, Managing Director & CEO, Axis Bank, winner of Transformational Business Leader of the Year was introduced by Harshavardhan Neotia, Chairman, Ambuja Realty Development Limited. Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, RP-Sanjiv



Chief Guest, Kamal Nath, Union Minister for Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation with award winners and office bearers of AIMA. (L-R seated) Prathap C Reddy, Executive Chairman, The Apollo Group; Zoya Akhtar, Director, Writer, Producer; Nita M Ambani, Chairperson, Reliance Foundation; N Musa Nene, Deputy Minister for Finance, Republic of South Africa; Y C Deveshwar, Chairman, ITC Limited and Shikha Sharma, Managing Director & CEO, Axis Bank. (L-R standing) Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA; Sudhir Vasudeva, Chairman & Managing Director, ONGC Ltd; E Sreedharan, Former Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation; Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, Managing India Awards Jury and Chairman, RP-Sanjiv Goenka Group; Malvinder Singh, Executive Chairman, Fortis Healthcare (India) Ltd.; Shivinder Singh, Executive Vice Chairman Fortis Healthcare (India) Ltd.; Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman, The Aditya Birla Group and Rajiv Vastupal, President, AIMA and Chairman & Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd

Goenka Group introduced Zoya Akhtar for Director of the Year Award. The jury for this year had names like Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, RP-Sanjiv Goenka Group (Chairman of the Jury); Rajiv Vastupal, President-AIMA and Chairman, & Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd; Harshavardhan Neotia, Chairman, Ambuja Realty Development Limited; Roopen Roy, Managing Director, Deloitte & Touche Consulting (I) Pvt Ltd; P Dwarakanath, Director, Group Human Capital, Max India Limited; Inderdeep Singh, President & Managing Director, Continental Device India Ltd; Vineet Agarwal, Joint Managing Director, Transport Corporation of India Ltd and Dr AK Balyan, Managing Director & CEO, Petronet LNG Ltd.



(L-R) Rajiv Vastupal, President, AIMA and Chairman & Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd; N Musa Nene, Deputy Minister for Finance, Republic of South Africa; Kamal Nath, Union Minister for Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation; Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, Managing India Awards Jury and Chairman, RP-Sanjiv Goenka Group; Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA



(L-R) Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA; Sizwe Nxasana, Global CEO, First Rand Bank; N Musa Nene, Deputy Minister for Finance, Republic of South Africa; Adi Godrej, Chairman, Godrej Group; Mahendren Moodley, CEO - First Rand Bank India; Allan Pullinger, CEO, Rand Merchant Bank; Deepak Premnarayan, Executive Chairman, ICS Group and Subodh Bhargava, Chairman, Tata Communications



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(L to R) Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, RP-Sanjiv Goenka Group; Prathap C Reddy, Executive Chairman, The Apollo Group; Preetha Reddy, Vice President, AIMA & Managing Director, Apollo Hospital; & Malvinder Singh, Executive Chairman, Fortis Healthcare (India) Ltd.; Rekha Sethi, Director General, AIMA; E Sreedharan, Former Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation and Rajiv Vastupal, President, AIMA and Chairman & Managing Director, Rajiv Petrochemicals Pvt Ltd

League of new heroes in management

Guiding lights and beacons of hope, winners of AIMA Managing India Awards 2012 are leaders in their own right who have helped build brand India. These achievers share their vision for the nation's future

The one thing that is common to all winners is that they all believe there is no substitute to hard work. The exceptional hard work done by individuals leads to success. The AIMA Managing India Awards aim to recognise such successful people who have made a fundamental difference, creating an edge above peers for others to emulate, who stand for ingenuity, knowledge and foresight and are worthy of emulation and admiration. This year too, the winners of the third edition of AIMA Managing India Awards 2012 are some such luminaries.

Sharing his thoughts on receiving the Lifetime Contribution Award, Prathap C Reddy, Executive Chairman, The Apollo Group, said, "Recognition is the greatest motivator and tributes like this encourage us to build India as a land of hope and a global beacon for medical miracles. Today, India is over 1.28 billion people and growing. There are many more challenges in the healthcare domain, and as leaders and pioneers, we are committed to addressing them and making healthcare more inclusive. My vision for the healthcare domain in India is to keep a billion hearts beating healthily; to see India emerge as the premier healthcare hub of the world, using compassion, innovation and technology to achieve an equitable and sustainable health-

care model." Another stalwart of the industry, Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman, The Aditya Birla Group accepted the award for his company as the Indian Multinational of the Year, by saying, "We look at the award as an unequivocal recognition of our group as a global conglomerate that is taking India to the world. For me, personally, it is a tribute to my father's (Aditya Birla) legacy of positioning India on the world map, way back in the 1960s."

On receiving the Corporate Citizen of the Year Award, Nita M Ambani, Chairperson, Reliance Foundation, reiterated the role that corporates can play in making India enter the league of nations. She said, "Profits are important but not by neglecting the needs of societies. As Mukesh says, we need to build social businesses at scale in India. Businesses that create value for stakeholders and also enhance the quality of life-not of just few but all Indians. Corporates can instill the confidence in Indians that we can do it. They can become the engines of the Indian growth story."

The Metro Man of India E Sreedharan, Former Managing Director, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation, the recipient of the Outstanding Institution Builder of the Year feels that public-private partnerships need to be made stronger which will "bring in better

efficiency, speedier completion and better service delivery. It is, therefore, necessary to create an attractive environment by changing the rules and protocols so that potential private parties get attracted to such projects."

Speaking about globally competitive Indian enterprises, Business Leader of the Year, YC Deveshwar, Chairman, ITC Limited, said, "Over the years, business and industry have made a determined effort to create world class products and services. Significant investments have been made in technology and in nurturing a culture of innovation. There is today a sharper focus on R & D and human resource development to build competitive capacities for the future. Buoyed by a series of economic reforms in the last two decades and the emergence of a global Indian market, business and industry have enormous opportunities to create a new paradigm of growth by creatively leveraging their competitive strengths."

Accepting the award on behalf of ONGC Ltd for Outstanding PSU of the Year, Sudhir Vasudeva, Chairman & Managing Director, ONGC Ltd, quipped, "When an award comes from a credible and reputed educational body like AIMA, it is like winning the Critics' Award as well as Most Popular Award together for Best film." The two winners for Emerging Business Leaders



Prathap C Reddy, Executive Chairman, The Apollo Group and Y C Deveshwar, Chairman, ITC Limited exchanging a light moment



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of Year, brothers Malvinder Singh, Chairman & Shivinder Singh, Vice Chairman, Fortis Healthcare (India) Ltd, said that the award is a recognition of the efforts of employees of Fortis and Religare. The two were of the view, "A rich nation is one whose citizens are healthy and productive.

No country can count itself among the world's developed nations, unless it is at the forefront on human rights and health measures." Transformational Business Leader of the Year Shikha Sharma, Managing Director & CEO, Axis Bank, talked about what transformation truly meant to her.



Arun Maira, Member, Planning Commission; and N K Singh, Member of Rajya Sabha at the awards function



Sudhir Vasudeva, Chairman & Managing Director, ONGC Ltd and Shikha Sharma, Managing Director & CEO, Axis Bank at the awards

She said, "The best transformations happen when teams come together to decide their own destiny and then proceed collectively to executing that ambition." Having won several awards this year for her film *Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara*, Zoya Akhtar won one more

award as AIMA's Director of the Year. On receiving the same, she shared, "It's overwhelming to be counted in the league of management leaders. Coming from the film fraternity, it's exciting to be in the company of such exceptional people."