

Praj Maha-Intrapreneur Awards 2010 Announced

Two new awards introduced for 'Women Intrapreneurs'

1. **Pune, July 19th, 2010:** Praj Industries, global biofuels technology and process engineering Company announced the 'Maha-Intrapreneur Awards 2010' in association with Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM, Pune), Pune, who are the knowledge partners for this initiative. The awards are focused upon identifying and rewarding professionals who display 'Intrapreneural' skills and qualities in their actions and results in various organizations. The function was graced by the Chief Guest for the event Mr. Anand Deshpande, CEO and MD, Persistent Systems Limited, Pramod Chaudhari, Chairman, Praj Industries, [Dr. S.B. Mujumdar](#), Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University) Shashank Inamdar, CEO and MD, Praj Industries, Dr. M.S Raste, Vice Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Dr Dhananjay Keskar, Director, IBS, Pune, Dr. Vivek sane, Director, SIBM, Pune and Mr. V. Balasubramanian, Executive Vice President, KEC, Mumbai

There are two broad categories for the Awards - **A) Industry and Business** and **B) NGO/Semi-Government organization, Educational Institution, Society and Trust** with two awards for each category. In addition to this, a Lifetime Achievement award will be conferred for the Intrapreneurship qualities exhibited by an individual. This year one award has been added in each category to recognize Women Intrapreneurs.

The winners of this award will get recognition and appreciation on a bigger platform for their achievements and valuable contributions. The recognition will also help organizations initiate and encourage "Culture of **Intrapreneurship**" which in turn will go a long way in organizational development and institution building.

The website, www.mahaintrapreneur.com provides all the information as well as application forms. In the first phase, the applications will be scrutinized and evaluated by an independent Panel of Judges. Evaluation will be done on factors like Leadership, Innovation and Risk Taking, People Management, Strategy Formulation & Implementation, Business Processes and Results.

Last date for submission of duly completed "Application Form" is **15th September, 2010**

On this occasion, Mr. Pramod Chaudhari, Chairman, Praj Industries, said "We were delighted to see overwhelming response last year from industries, NGOs, and educational institutes to this award. We believe that more and more corporate will participate in this effort of Intrapreneurship development. To encourage women Intrapreneurs, we have included one award in each category for 'Women Intrapreneurs'."

Past Winners include:

- **Mr. Visvanathan Balasubramanian**, Executive Vice President – Global Technology Services, Zensar Technologies Ltd and
- **Mr Vinay Shrishrimal**, Director, Rohan Builders
- **Mr. Sudam Bhondve, Director** – Educational Project Incharge, Deendayal Navrachna Pratisthan
- **Principal Hemant Abhyankar**, Director, Vishwakarma **Institute of Technology** (An Autonomous Institute Affiliated to University of Pune)
 - **Dr. Sivaram**, Director, NCL, Pune,
 - **Prakash Kulkarni**, Executive Chairman, Gabriel India (formerly MD, Thermax Ltd)
 - **Dr. Dhananjay Kelkar**, Medical Director, Dinanath Mangeshkar Hospital & Research Centre and a Trustee of Jnana Prabodhini Medical Trust, Pune

About Praj Industries Limited

Praj is a Process Engineering and Technology Company offering innovative end-to-end solutions for biofuels, brewery, industrial processes and water and wastewater treatment systems. With over 25 years experience across 5 continents, Praj has acquired an international repute in offering cutting edge technology, engineering and plants. It has offices and presence in Bangkok(Thailand), Johannesburg(South Africa) and Sharjah (UAE), Houston(USA), The Netherlands and Guatemala, apart from India.

Praj has well equipped manufacturing facilities in Pune and at the port in western India. The units are accredited with ASME 'U' and 'H' stamp and ISO 9001-2008. Manufacturing is undertaken in accordance with international standards and codes.

The backbone of Praj's technology development is Praj Matrix, The Innovation Center. This Center has been conceived and established with the objective of providing future perfect technology and engineering solutions for biotech led processes. Matrix is equipped with state of the art laboratory and pilot facilities. Praj Matrix is currently engaged in scaling up of second generation bioethanol and biodiesel technologies from agri waste and algae.

About SIBM, Pune

Established in 1978, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune is in its 30th year of service to the student community. The flagship brand of Symbiosis, it is recognized as one of the best B-schools in

the country. SIBM, Pune is also ranked fourth among Indian business schools consistently for 3rd year by Business Today magazine. SIBM, Pune provides Corporate Education through its diploma programs to various corporates , Indian and MNCs . Combining theory with practical business, classroom teaching with Management Development Programmes, SIBM, Pune offers its students a classic mix of academic and business knowledge.

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