

Ninth SMART Journal Annual Awards - 2017



On 06.01.2018, **Dr. Sankaran Venkateswar**, Saint Mary's College of California, USA conferred **SMART Journal Annual Awards – 2017**

From the Left:

Dr. M. Ravichandran

Dr. M. Selvam

Dr. Sankaran Venkateswar

Dr. Ershad Ali

Dr. Sandip Kar

Dr. K. Venugopal Rao

Dr. Murli Rajan

Dr. Pankaj Kumar Baag

Ms. Kavitha. P

Syndicate Member, Bharathidasan University.

Founder-Publisher and Chief Editor, SMART Journal of Business Management Studies

Saint Mary's College of California, USA.

Director, Auckland Institute of Studies, New Zealand.

(Recipient of SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award)

Chairman, International Institute of Management Sciences, Kolkata.

(Recipient of SMART Journal of Distinguished Educational Administrator Award)

Sri Krishnadevaraya Institute of Management, S.K University, A.P.

(Recipient of SMART Journal of Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award)

Kania School of Management, USA

Faculty, Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode.

(Recipient of SMART Journal Best Paper Award)

Fellow Programme Researcher, Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode.

(Recipient of SMART Journal Best Paper Award)

Ninth SMART Journal Annual Award Function was held, along with the Inaugural Function of the International Seminar, on 6th January 2018, at the A/C Auditorium, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, India.

Dr. M. Selvam, Seminar Director shared the details of the nomination process of the SMART Annual Awards. He thanked the SMART Trust, for its support, in conferring the annual awards.

Dr. Sankaran Venkateswar, Saint Mary's College of California, USA conferred SMART Journal Awards, on five eminent personalities. In his felicitation speech, he insisted the need for recognizing the academicians with awards of this kind.

Dr. Sandip Kar, Chairman, International Institute of Management Sciences, Kolkata was conferred the **SMART Distinguished Educational Administrator Award**. He has received the highest degree in Management, D.Litt. **Dr. Kar** is an Educationalist, Entrepreneur, Consultant and Chairman of the well-established International Institute of Management Sciences. He also founded S.P. Kar Institute of Management and Technology and IIMS School of Business, Kolkata. He is the Managing Director and Co-Founder of North Bengal Oncology Center. He has authored four books, published five articles in International Refereed Journals, besides five papers in edited books and presented nine papers in various conferences. **Dr. Sandip Kar** has put in more than 23 years of rich experiences, in multidimensional projects, skill development and capacity building. He is the member of the Editorial Advisory Board of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies.

Professor. Ershad Ali, Director, Centre for Research in International Education, Auckland, New Zealand, was conferred with the **SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award**. He has more than 30 years of rich Research, Teaching and Administrative experience. He worked with Malaysian High Commission, New Zealand, and international development agencies such as the World Bank, ADB and ILO. He is the promoter of Energy Technology Transfer and International Trade, from New Zealand and Australia to South Asia. He is also the Editor of a Web Journal and Executive Editor of Journal of International Education and Business. He has published 36 research articles, in refereed journals, written 10 books and presented 30 papers in various conferences. He is the member of the Editorial Board of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies.

Professor. K.Venugopal Rao, Sri Krishnadevaraya Institute of Management, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh, was conferred with the **SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award**, for his outstanding achievements in the field of Commerce and Management. **Dr. Venugopal Rao** is an expert member for All India Centre for Technical Education, National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Union Public Service Commission and Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University. He has published 48 research articles in refereed journals, authored five books and presented 31 papers in various conferences. He has put in more than 27 years of rich teaching and research experience. He serves in editorial, advisory and reviewer positions in many journals. He is a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies.

The research paper of **Ms. Kavitha. P**, Fellow Programme Researcher in Management, Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode and **Dr. Pankaj Kumar Baag**, Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode, published in the SMART Journal in the year 2017, has been selected for the **SMART Journal Best Paper Award**.

The awardees were given standing ovation while receiving the awards. **Dr. M. Ravichandran**, Syndicate Member, offered felicitations to the awardees. The awardees delivered the acceptance speech.