

## FIFTEENTH SMART JOURNAL ANNUAL AWARDS – 2024 (06.01.2024)



### From the Left

**Dr. Balasundram Maniam**, Professor, Sam Houston State University, USA

**Dr. Sankaran Venkateswar**, Professor, Saint Mary's College of California, USA

**Dr. M. Selvam**, Vice Chancellor, Bharathidasan University

**Dr. V. Sujatha**, Principal, Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli

**Dr. M. Selvam**, Founder-Publisher and Chief Editor, SMART Journal of Business Management Studies

### **Award Conferred to**

**Dr. T. Ananth, Chairman**, Sir Issac Newton Educational Institutions, Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu

**Dr. Gandu Singaiah**, Professor, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya

**Dr. G. P. Dinesh**, Professor of Management, Vijayanagara Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ballari, Karnataka

**Dr. Divya Bharathi**, Associate Professor, Ballari Institute of Technology and Management, Bellary, Karnataka

**Dr.W.R.P.K. Fernando**, Department of Commerce and Financial Management, University of Kelaniya, Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

**Dr. Komal Khalid**, Associate Professor, Faculty of Economics and Administration, King Abdulaziz University, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Fifteenth SMART Journal Annual Award Function, for the year 2023, was held on 6th January 2024 at 10.00 a.m., through Hybrid Mode, at Cauvery College, Trichy, along with the inaugural function of the International Seminar **“Dynamics of Emerging Business Innovation and Trends – Academia Industry Role (DEBIT AIR 2024)”**.

**Dr. M. Selvam**, Seminar Director and Founder-Publisher cum Chief-Editor, SMART Journal of Business Management Studies, welcomed the gathering, explained the selection process of SMART Journal Awards and the importance of recognizing the academicians with awards. **Dr. M. Selvam**, Vice Chancellor, Bharathidasan University conferred SMART Journal Awards to six eminent personalities.

**SMART Journal Distinguished Educational Administrator Award** was conferred on **Dr. T. Ananth**, Chairman, Sir Issac Newton Educational Institutions, Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu for her outstanding contribution in educational administration especially management education. He has started Educational Institutions namely Sir Issac Newton Catering College and College of Education in the year 2003 at Nagapattinam. Through his consistent efforts and continued dedication in the venture, he was able to uplift the Institution to various segments.

**SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award** was conferred on **Dr. Gandu Singaiah**, Professor, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya. He has published more than 40 research articles in reputed journals; he has authored 5 books and attended 62 national and 12 international conferences. He has undertaken many research projects funded by various national and international agencies.

**Dr. G. P. Dinesh**, Professor of Management, Vijayanagara Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ballari, Karnataka was conferred with **SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award**. He is a highly qualified Marketing and Strategy Professor with more than 25 years of progressive career especially in teaching and research in Marketing and Strategy Courses. He has presented and published research papers at various National and International Conferences/Seminars/Journals.

**SMART Journal Young Management Scientist Award** was conferred on **Dr. Divya Bharathi**, Associate Professor, Ballari Institute of Technology and Management, Bellary, Karnataka. She has 50 National or International publications and one Patented Case Study. She has received various awards such as Excellence in Education by SHE INSPIRE Magazine & Hypedge, and Young Women in Management by Venus International Group.

**Dr.W.R.P.K. Fernando**, Department of Commerce and Financial Management University of Kelaniya, Kelaniya, Sri Lanka was conferred **with SMART Journal BDU COM Distinguished Alumni Award** in recognition of his professional achievements and contributions to the development of the department. He did his Ph.D. Degree from Department of Commerce and Financial Studies, Bharathidasan University.

The research paper of **Dr. Komal Khalid**, Associate Professor, Faculty of Economics and Administration, King Abdulaziz University, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia published in the SMART Journal in the year 2023, has been selected for the SMART Journal Best Paper Award.

The awardees delivered the acceptance speech.