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Dr Samuel Paul

Founder, Public Affairs Centre

Dr. Samuel Paul, graduated from the University of Madras with honours and obtained his Ph.D in economics at the Maxwell School of Public Affairs, Syracuse University, USA, where he also taught for two years. He was appointed professor of economics at IIM, Ahmedabad, in 1964, and became Director in 1972 at age 42. Building on the foundation laid by Vikram Sarabhai and Ravi Mathai, he expanded and diversified IIMA's programmes. The size and range of faculty too reached an all time high. He was responsible for the first national conference on management research, and a major international conference at IIMA. He established the Centre for Public Systems, with a focus on the management of government programmes.

He has authored several books including numerous cases and articles which have been published in India and abroad.

Professor Paul has also served on the boards of the State Bank of India, Industrial Finance Corporation of India, IIT, Mumbai and several committees of the Government of India in the Ministries of Education, Finance, Agriculture, Industry and the Planning Commission. He chaired the Ministry of Defence's Committee that led to the establishment of the Institute of Defence Management. The new Indian Institute of Forestry management was nurtured at IIMA under his care. At the United Nations, he was a special adviser to the UN Commission on Transnational Corporations. He was invited as a Visiting Professor by the Harvard Business School while still at IIMA. He also taught at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard and at the Woodrow Wilson School Princeton University.

He left IIMA in 1985 when he was invited by the World Bank to be its adviser on public sector management. He also chaired the evaluation committee of the international Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in Washington.

Upon his return to India in 1992, Dr. Paul focused his attention on issues of public governance and accountability. He pioneered the “Citizen report card” on public services. He founded the Public Affairs Centre in Bangalore which continues this work and has achieved worldwide recognition.

Among the awards bestowed on him are the Ford Fellowship, the Fred Riggs Award of the American Society of Public Administration, World Bank's Jit Gill Award for outstanding public service, and Padma Sri of the Government of India.

AIMA considers it a privilege to confer the AIMA-Kewal Nohria Award for Academic Leadership in Management Education on Dr Samuel Paul, an outstanding teacher, accomplished educational administrator and iconic institution builder.

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