## ICFAI Business School, Hyderabad





The Dean, Faculty and Staff cordially invite you to attend

# Inaugural Session of The 14<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Thesis Conference (Virtual)

In collaboration with

#### Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research

(IGIDR) Mumbai

#### Inaugural Address by Prof. C. Rangarajan

Chancellor, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad

Former Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister and Former Governor, Reserve Bank of India

#### Special Address by Prof. S. Mahendra Dev

Director and Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research President, Indian Economic Association

#### **Presided by**

## Prof. J. Mahender Reddy

Vice Chancellor, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education, Hyderabad

Topic "Macroeconomics and Finance"

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Date & Time Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at 10.30 am

#### Google Meet Live Session : https://meet.google.com/swa-nrkv-ejz

Invitees are requested to log-in by 10.15 am





#### Dr. C. Rangarajan

Dr. Chakravarthi Rangarajan, the Chancellor of the University, is a leading economist who has played a key role both as an academic and as a policy maker in India. He has held several important positions which include Governor of Reserve Bank of India and Governor of Andhra Pradesh.

Dr. C. Rangarajan was the Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister till May 2014 in the rank of Cabinet Minister, a position he held since January, 2005, except during 2008-09 when he was a Member of Parliament (RajyaSabha). He was also the Chairman of the Twelfth Finance Commission.

After his Honours Degree from Madras, he obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. He taught at the Wharton School of Finance& Commerce, University of Pennsylvania and the Graduate School of Business Administration, New York University and served the International Food Policy Research Institute in Washington DC. He also taught at IIM-Aover a decade.

He was the President of the Indian Economic Association in 1988 and again was honored as the President of the centenary year (2017) of the association. He was also the President of the Indian Econometric Society in 1994. He is the only economist in the country with these three distinctions.

Dr. Rangarajan was recipient of several prestigious awards. Notable among them are the Honorary Fellow of the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, Alumni Award for Outstanding Leadership by the Wharton India Economic Forum and the Finance Man of the Decade by the Bombay Management Association. In recognition of his distinguished service to the country, the President of India honored him with Padma Vibhushanin 2002.

On June 29, 2020 he received Prof P. C. Mahalanobis National Award in official statistics, in lifetime achievement category, for 2020. This is in recognition of numerous distinguished and outstanding contributions he made to the Indian Statistical System.

He is currently Chairman, Madras School of Economics and President, C R Rao Advanced Institute for Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science.

We are privileged to have published his book Tracking the Indian Economy - A Collection of Articles, which will immensely benefit the students and the faculty in economics and business across the country and abroad. This book is available online on Amazon.

### Speaker



#### Prof. S. Mahendra Dev

Prof. S. Mahendra Dev has been the **Director and Vice Chancellor**, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR) in Mumbai, India since 2010. Prior to this position, he was **Chairman of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices**, Ministry of Agriculture from 2008 to 2010. He was **Director, Centre for Economic and Social Studies**, Hyderabad, India for 9 years from 1999 to 2008. He is Vice Chairman of the *Board of Trustees of International Food Policy Research Institute*, Washington, D.C. from 2018. He has been Board member of IFPRI since 2013. He was member and Acting Chairman of the *National Statistical Commission*, Government of India. He got the prestigious **Malcolm Adisesaiah Award** in 2016.

He is **President of the Indian Economic Association** for three years from January 2018. He was the **Conference President** of the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics in 2017. He is the **President-elect for the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual** conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, 2018.

He received his Ph.D. from the **Delhi School of Economics** and did his postdoctoral research at **Yale University**. His main areas of interest are development economics, agriculture policies, rural development and social sector.

He has **around 120 research publications** in national and international journals in the areas of agricultural development, poverty and public policy, inequality, food security, nutrition, employment guarantee schemes, social security, farm and nonfarm employment. **He has written or edited 19 books**. His well cited publication is "Inclusive Growth in India: Agriculture, Poverty, and Human Development" published by Oxford University Press. **His book "Perspectives on Equitable Development"** was released by the former Prime Minister of India.

He has been a consultant and adviser to many international organizations, such as UNDP, World Bank, International Food Policy Research Institute, UNESCO, ILO, FAO, ESCAP, UNICEF, DFID, and OECD. He has been a member of several government committees in India, including the Prime Minister's Task Force on Employment chaired by Dr. Montek Ahulwalia, Member of the Committee on Financial Inclusion chaired by Dr. C. Rangarajan, member of the Expert Group on Poverty chaired by Dr. C. Rangarajan. He is the **Chairman of the Committee on Terms of Trade on Agriculture** constituted by the Ministry of Agriculture.

## ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education

(Deemed-to-be University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

# Ph.D. in Management and Economics

Admission Procedure The candidates seeking admission to Ph.D. program (Full time / Part time) offered by ICFAI Business School (IBS) Hyderabad have to appear for IBSAT.

- IBSAT is an online aptitude test conducted by The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (a Deemed to be University under Section 3 of UGC Act 1956), for students seeking admission to the MBA / Ph.D. programs of IBS Hyderabad. IBSAT is an aptitude test based on Computer Based Test (CBT) format. The test is of 2 hours duration and is conducted in 4-5 sessions per day at test centers across India.
- GMAT<sup>®</sup> scores, CAT and NMAT scores are also considered. Candidates with GMAT<sup>®</sup> score of 500 and above and CAT percentile of 60 and above are exempted from IBSAT.
- IBS Alumni, M.Phil Degree holders and UGC NET qualified candidates are also exempted from IBSAT.

**Selection Process** The candidates who are short listed based on IBSAT / GMAT / CAT are called for selection process at IBS Hyderabad. The final selection is based on an aptitude test in Research methods, micro-presentation and Technical Interview.

#### Stipend

- All students admitted into the Full-time Ph.D. program will be given a fellowship of ₹25,000 per month.
- After passing the Ph.D. qualifying examination, the students will be paid a fellowship of ₹ 35,000 till the student defends the thesis proposal.
- Stipend of ₹40,000 per month will be paid to the student after successful defence of thesis proposal and up to the completion of four years of Ph.D. Program or completion of Ph.D. Thesis, whichever is earlier.

Contact for any clarification on program, eligibility, admission, the candidates may reach us on the *Email ID: phd@ibsindia.org* For more information visit www.ibshyderabad.org