



Dr Pritam Singh Academic Transformational Leader Award 2025

Prof. (Dr.) T. G. Sitharam

Today, we honour a leader whose dedication to education and academic excellence has left an indelible mark on the landscape of higher education in India and beyond. He is an eminent academic leader, distinguished civil engineer, and visionary institution builder whose pioneering contributions have shaped engineering education and research in India. He presently serves as the **Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Government of India**, leading reforms and policy initiatives in technical education across the nation.

Prof. Sitharam obtained his **B.E. in Civil Engineering** from the University of Mysore, **M.E. from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore** in 1986, and **Ph.D. from the University of Waterloo, Canada** in 1991. Following his doctoral studies, he served at the University of Waterloo and later at the University of Texas at Austin, USA, before joining IISc Bangalore, where he has been a **Senior Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering** for over three decades.

He was the **Director of the Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IITG)** from **July 2019 to December 2022**, where his leadership brought unprecedented academic and research growth. Under his tenure, IIT Guwahati established **five new schools and five multidisciplinary centres**, significantly improved its global and national rankings, and strengthened its ecosystem of innovation, entrepreneurship, and industry collaboration.

Prof. (Dr.) Sitharam has held numerous leadership roles in national and international organizations, including **President, Indian Society of Earthquake Technology (ISET); President, International Association for Coastal Reservoir Research (IACRR); Member, Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB); and Board Member, Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and Central Power Research Institute (CPRI).**

Recognizing his immense contributions to Education Dr Pritam Singh Foundation (PRISM) is privileged to confer **Dr Pritam Singh Academic Transformational Leader Award 2025** to Prof. (Dr.) T. G. Sitharam.

**P Dwarakanath
President**

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