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cordially invite you to

The 31st Foundation Day Lecture

by

Dr. K. Radhakrishnan F.N.A.E; F.N.A.Sc

[Former Chairman, Space Commission/Secretary, Department of Space & Chairman, ISRO]
Honorary Distinguished Advisor, Department of Space/ISRO
Antariksh Bhavan, Bengaluru.

on

India and the New Space Age

at 4.00 P.M. on Monday, 26th November 2018

Venue:

Auditorium of the
CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (IICT)
Uppal Road, Hyderabad 500007

Please be in your seat by 3.50 P.M.



About the Speaker

Dr. Koppillil Radhakrishnan

Honorary Distinguished Advisor in the Department of Space/ISRO



Dr. Radhakrishnan was India's space chief during November 2009 - December 2014, shouldering the complementary roles of Chairman of Space Commission & Secretary of Department of Space and Chairman of ISRO. He is acclaimed for his strong and successful leadership of the 16,000 strong 'Team ISRO' to achieve 37 space missions including several historic feats in space missions from concept to fruition - notably, India's first planetary exploration mission to Mars (aka Mangalyaan). The other landmarks that ISRO achieved under his able leadership include flying the GSLV with India's cryogenic engine, a dozen operational flights of PSLV and new space capabilities for navigation, strategic communications, microwave radar imaging and tropical climate studies. The enlargement of space application to all central ministries, redefining the Chandrayaan-2 mission with an Indian lander and rover, as well as inking an agreement with NASA to jointly build an advanced Radar Imaging Satellite by 2020 are highlights of his leadership initiatives for the future.

A graduate in Electrical Engineering from Kerala University, Dr. Radhakrishnan started his career at ISRO's Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC) in 1971, as a design and development engineer of electromechanical devices for SLV-3. While at the VSSC, ISRO Headquarters and the National Remote Sensing Agency, he held key roles in avionics systems, space economics, technology management and space applications, including the setting up of five Regional Remote Sensing Centres, and heading the Integrated Mission for Sustainable Development. During this time, he also studied management at the IIM Bangalore, and obtained a doctorate from the IIT, Kharagpur for his thesis 'Some Strategies for the Management of the Indian Earth Observation System'.

Dr. Radhakrishnan is the recipient of several national and International awards including multiple honorary doctorates. In 2014, he was conferred with the 'Padma Bhushan', for his contribution to Science and Engineering, especially in the field of Space Science and Technology. In the same year, he received ISRO's Lifetime Achievement Award, and the international weekly journal of science Nature chose him as one of the "ten people who mattered". In 2016, Penguin India Random House published his biography "My Odyssey: Memoirs of the Man behind the Mangalyaan Mission".

PROGRAMME

Monday, 26th November, 2018

3.30 P.M.	Mixer	High Tea at Shantiniketan - CCMB
4.00 P.M.	Welcome and overview	Dr Rakesh K Mishra, Director, CCMB
4.25 P.M.	Introduction of the speaker	Dr Raghunand R Tirumalai
4.30 P.M.	Foundation Day Lecture	Dr. K. Radhakrishnan
5.30 P.M.	Vote of thanks	Dr Archana B Siva