

# Infosys Science Foundation Announces Winners of the Infosys Prize 2010

Winners to be awarded ₹50 lakh in Recognition of their Outstanding Contributions to Scientific Research

**Bangalore, India – October 25, 2010:** The Infosys Science Foundation today announced the winners of the Infosys Prize 2010 recognizing outstanding contributions to scientific research that have impacted India. The winners across five categories – Mathematical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Engineering and Computer Science, Life Sciences and Social Sciences, were announced by the Trustees of the Infosys Science Foundation, Mr. N R Narayana Murthy, Mr. K Dinesh and Mr. S Gopalakrishnan at a press conference hosted at the Infosys Technologies campus in Bangalore.

The winners of the Infosys Prize 2010 were chosen by jury panels comprising of eminent scientists and professors from across the globe. In recognition of their outstanding contributions to scientific research, the winners will receive a cash prize of ₹ 50 lakh, a citation certificate and a gold medallion.

The award ceremony for the Infosys Prize 2010 will be held on January 6, 2011 in Mumbai, where Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India will present the awards to the winners.

The winners of the Infosys Prize 2010 are:

#### Mathematical Sciences

Professor Chandrashekhar Khare, Mathematics Department, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Los Angeles

### **Physical Sciences**

Professor Sandip Trivedi, Theoretical Physics Department, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai

#### **Engineering and Computer Science**

Professor Ashutosh Sharma, Chemical Engineering Department, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur

### Life Sciences

Dr. Chetan E. Chitnis, Principal Leader, Malaria Group, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Delhi

## Social Sciences

## Sociology

Professor Amita Baviskar, Sociology Unit, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi **Social Anthropology** 

Professor Nandini Sundar, Sociology Department, Delhi School of Economics (DSE), Delhi

Speaking at the event, Mr. N R Narayana Murthy said, "Scientific research is the key to sustaining India's growth, and it is critical for India to ensure that research remains an attractive profession for the nation's finest minds. The Infosys Prize aims to recognize and acknowledge outstanding work done by researchers, creating role models and thereby encouraging the youth to pursue careers in scientific research."





Applauding the winners, Mr. K Dinesh, President of the Board of Trustees of the Infosys Science Foundation said, "On behalf of the Infosys Science Foundation, I would like to congratulate all the winners for their research achievements. Science like business, is planned, executed, learnt and re-executed. Science has the power to transform all impertinent questions to pertinent answers. Progress towards development needs a balanced view of science and social sciences to alleviate human misery. The Infosys Science Foundation is a step in that direction for recognizing and rewarding world-class researchers."

The Infosys Prize was established as an annual prize across five categories to reward and recognize outstanding inventions or discovery or a cumulative body of work. It is amongst the largest in terms of prize money for any such honor in India, carrying a cash award of ₹50 lakh, a citation certificate and a gold medallion. The objective of this prize is to elevate the prestige of scientific research in India and to inspire young Indians to pursue a career in scientific research.

## About the Infosys Science Foundation

The Infosys Science Foundation is a not-for-profit trust set up by Infosys Technologies in February 2009 to promote research in sciences in India. The Foundation honors outstanding contributions in the fields of Mathematical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Engineering and Computer Science, Life Sciences and Social Sciences with impact on India, across various sciences. The annual award for each category is ₹50 lakh, a citation certificate and a pure gold medallion. The Infosys Science Foundation was established with a corpus of ₹45 crore contributed by Infosys executive board members and an annual grant from Infosys Technologies Ltd. Today the corpus stands at ₹100 crore. The jury panel for each category consists of eminent international personalities in each area selected by the trustees of the foundation. For more information, please refer – www.infosys-science-foundation.com

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