



## **Immediate Release**

**FICCI congratulate Dr Prahlada on being conferred the Padma Sri by the Government of India.**

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FICCI very proudly congratulate Dr Prahlada on being conferred upon the Padma Sri by the Government of India. Dr Prahlada, formerly associated with the Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO) as Distinguished Scientist & Chief Controller R&D (Ae & SI) is currently a Member of FICCI's National committee on Science, Technology, and Innovation.

Dr Prahlada in his distinguished career has spearheaded the Akash (surface-to-air missile) Project as Project Director, and was Programme Director for the BrahMos. The Akash Project was awarded the first FICCI's R&D Awards in the recently held Global R&D Summit during November 2014.

Dr Prahlada also conceptualized and led the FICCI's flagship initiative with the Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO), the Accelerated Technology Assessment & Commercialization (ATAC) to create a commercial pathway to deliver technologies developed by DRDO for appropriate commercial markets for use in civilian products and services.

FICCI is proud to be associated with a leader and visionary that Dr Prahlada is. We wish to convey our best wishes to Dr Prahlada on this prestigious recognition.