



INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KANPUR

Satyendra K Dubey Memorial Award

K M Abraham

K. M. Abraham obtained his M.Tech. degree in Industrial and Management Engineering from IIT Kanpur in 1989. Prior to that, he had done his B.Tech. in Civil Engineering from the University of Kerala. Later he obtained his Ph.D. in Technology Planning from University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

An IAS officer of 1982 batch of Kerala Cadre, Dr Abraham has over thirty five years of experience in various positions as administrator, regulator, public sector management executive, etc. He is currently the Additional Chief Secretary (Finance) to the Government of Kerala.

In addition to administrative positions, Dr Abraham has also held academic assignments including serving as an adjunct faculty in IME Department at IIT Kanpur. He is a member of Board of IIM Kozhikode and of IITM Kerala.

Dr Abraham is known as an honest, upright, risk taking and hard working officer. When he was a whole time member of Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) from July 2008 - July 2011, his firm stand and action against Sahara group received a very high and wide commendations from all corners. He fought against the Sahara India Real Estate Corporation (SIREC) and Sahara Housing Investment Corporation (SHIC) for their raising a huge amount of money from the public and trying to bypass the strict laws on investor protection. It was because of his seamless efforts that SIREC and SHIC did not succeed in making a history of scams in financial market. He was also involved in several significant landmark cases in the securities markets involving fraud or violations by some major corporate groups.

He and his team have formulated many inclusive state policies such as those for people with disabilities, gender equality, and transgender to usher in a more inclusive and just society. He has been conferred with GFiles Governance Award 2014 for exceptional achievement and was selected by India Today among the top ten bureaucrats in the State of Kerala for the year 2014.

For his honesty, probity and exemplary dedication in maintaining the highest professional integrity, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur confers on Dr K M Abraham the Satyendra K Dubey Memorial Award - 2016.