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Philip Ng,
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POWERFUL

PRAMOD CHAUDHARI

CAPITALIZING ON CLEAN TECHNOLOGIES FOR A GREENER FUTURE

Pramod Chaudhari, a first-generation techno-entrepreneur, founded Praj Industries Ltd (Praj) in 1983. He always cherished a dream to launch something innovative that would contribute to the making of a modern India. In its journey of over 3 decades, he steered Praj into a leading global engineering company that develops cutting edge technology solutions for clean & green energy, environment & agri-led processing industries

ENCOURAGING THE SPIRIT OF INTRAPRENEURSHIP

Hailing from a middle-class background in rural part of Maharashtra, India, Pramod has grown in strength and stature, thanks to his conscious choices, drive to excel and belief in his conviction. Pramod is a distinguished alumnus of IIT Bombay and he credits his alma mater for strengthening his core values and exposing him to a world of new opportunities. He is also alumnus of Harvard Business School.

Before plunging into the business venture, Pramod gained invaluable industry insights during his stint at Bajaj Temo Ltd (now known as Force Motors Ltd) and Widia India that helped him develop strong techno-commercial acumen.

Very early on, Pramod recognized that advanced technology and innovation are important business imperatives and invested in biotech-based R & D facility – 'Praj Matrix'. Pioneering and illustrious work in area of 'clean technologies' with a special focus on sustainability and futuristic biotech solutions, has been the backbone of Praj's success, globally.

CREAM OF THE CROP

As an industry ambassador and a thought leader, Pramod has spoken extensively at global events like UN Leadership Forum on Climate Change. He has held coveted positions in prestigious industry forums, advocating policy reforms and technology advancements. As the former Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industry's (CII) National Bio-energy Committee, Pramod worked closely with Government

of India on various aspects related to development of bio-fuels. Pramod was President of the Mahratta Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Agriculture (MCCIA), Pune. He is currently the Chairman of CII Task Force on Bio-Energy for 2019-20.

Pramod champions the powerful premise that innovation and entrepreneurship changes the world for the better. He is a founder trustee of Pune International Center, founder member of the Indian Federation of Green Energy, and Inter-Institutional Inclusive Innovations Center (i4c). He is on the advisory boards of reputed engineering, technology and management institutes. These include the Board of Entrepreneurship Development Center at National Chemical Laboratory (NCL) Pune; and Board of Governors of National Institute of Industrial Engineering (NITIE) Mumbai, among others.

POWERING SOCIAL PROGRESS

Pramod's commitment to the causes of preventive healthcare, education and sustainable water resources development is evident in his support to under-privileged communities and the environment. He has been supporting a rural school in central Maharashtra to facilitate education by way of setting up laboratory and providing comprehensive faculty training.

ACCOLADES & RECOGNITION

He earned the prestigious BioSpectrum

Leadership Award for his extraordinary work in propagating the cause of biofuels in the past three decades. Sugar Technologists' Association of India; Maxell Foundation, Mumbai, and Army Institute of Technology, Pune, have each honoured him with a Lifetime Achievement Award. He has also been presented with the National Level Entrepreneurship Award by Jagatik Marathi Chamber of Commerce; Empresario Most Inspiring Entrepreneur Award by National Institute of Industrial Engineering, Mumbai; and the Arya Chanakya Maharashtra Rajya Udyojak Shreshtha Puraskar 2016 for employing best practice in Corporate Governance and Corporate Social Responsibility.


"He has been promoting the proliferation of sophisticated technologies in the bioenergy space with a commitment to foster clean and green technologies"