

Mr Purushottam Agrawal honoured with Lifetime Achievement Award

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Mr Purushottam Agrawal; Chairman, Gencrest & Founder, Ajanta Pharma Ltd receives Jeevan Gaurav Navratna Sammaan by Maharashtra Rajya Agrawal Sammelan for his unparalleled achievements in the field of business as well as philanthropy



A charismatic, Visionary businessman and compassionate human being; Mr. Agrawal was the first to create a brand in the gripe water segment.

In addition to the success in business, Mr. Agrawal has also made his impressive mark in other fields of best practices,

environment consciousness and social services.

Coming from a very humble background in a small remote village in the state of Maharashtra, his entrepreneurial journey started with a borrowed capital of Rs. 10,000 in 1973.

His efforts turned a small repacking unit in a garage in Aurangabad into a pharmaceutical empire.

Ajanta Pharma operates in 45 countries, which includes US, Europe, Asia and most of the least developed countries in African continent.

The company, today, has a market capitalization of over Rs 13,000 Cr and employee strength of around 8,000 across the globe.

His astute business acumen has resulted in introducing several revolutionary 1st to the market products in India.

The combination of simplicity, down-to-earth behavior and ethical sense of conducting his business along with immense societal concern for the underprivileged section of our society gives him great recognition in the industry as well as society.

Mr. Purushottam Agrawal strives to serve through SAMTA FOUNDATION.

It aims at bringing social reform (EDUCATE, EMPOWER and ENABLE) with respect to healthcare, education and women's empowerment.

Today, Samta Foundation operates across the states of **Maharashtra, Gujarat, MP and Chhattisgarh.**

Samta Foundation has funded more than 300,000 cataract surgeries in last five years and is aiming to do an additional 100,000 from coming year.

It has also organized 5500 free and safe family planning operations in tribal district of Palghar.

The Foundation has conducted cataract checkup in all the prisons across Maharashtra and provided free spectacles to the inmates who required them.

Skin disease treatment for more than 6000 jail inmates across 20 prisons in Maharashtra was carried out and necessary medicines were provided.

The foundation has adopted 17 schools. This has benefitted more than 20,000 students by providing hi-tech computer education with e-Library facility to children from underprivileged sections of the society.

With specially design computer courses by in-house competent faculty many students have become employable in **Palghar district, Marathwada & Vidharba regions.**

A silent performer, he has contributed immensely to the economy and country as a whole.

He has also been honoured with several State awards, National awards and an international award. Recently, he was also presented with the "**Pharma Life Time Achievement**" award by PHARMAXCIL, Govt. of India.