

## **DR R K PACHAURI**

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Dr Rajendra K Pachauri assumed his current responsibilities as the Chief Executive of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) in 1982, first as Director and, since April 2001, as Director-General. TERI does original research and provides knowledge in the areas of energy, environment, forestry,

biotechnology, and the conservation of natural resources to governments, institutions, and corporate organizations worldwide. He is also the Chancellor of TERI University since August 1998. In April 2002, Dr Pachauri was elected the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, established by the World Meteorological Organization and the United Nations Environment Programme in 1988 (Re-elected in September 2008). IPCC, along with former Vice President Al Gore, has been awarded the “Nobel Peace Prize” for the year 2007. He has been appointed as Director, Yale Climate and Energy Institute from July 2009. He was conferred with the “Padma Vibhushan”, second highest civilian award, for his services in the field of science and engineering in January 2008 by the President of India. To acknowledge his immense contributions to the field of environment, he was awarded the Padma Bhushan by the President of India in January 2001. He was also bestowed the “Officier De La Légion D’Honneur” by the Government of France in 2006. He has also been conferred with ‘Commander of the Order of Leopold II’ by the King of Belgians in July 2009; the ‘Commander of the Order of the White Rose of Finland’ by the Prime Minister of Finland in February 2010 and ‘The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star’ by His Majesty Akihito, Emperor of Japan in April 2010.