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## IIT GANDHINAGAR DECENNIAL LECTURE SERIES

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# INFINITE VISION STORY OF GREATEST BUSINESS CASE FOR COMPASSION

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## Aravind Srinivasan

**Director (Projects)**  
**Aravind Eye Care System**



### The inspiring story of Aravind Eye Care System

When a crippling disease shattered his lifelong ambition, Dr Govindappa Venkataswamy chose an impossible new dream: Eliminate Curable Blindness. By 1976, he had personally performed over 100,000 sight-restoring surgeries. ....Today Aravind is possibly the world's largest eye care organization, driven by the mission to serve, a case study at Harvard Business School and the envy of the world.

“In the Aravind experience, I see the path that we need to take ....a transformation of Life into a powerful instrument of right action.”

*Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, Former President of India*

“Reveals the power of a model that combines business discipline with compassion. May the wisdom of Dr V and Aravind shared here inspire many such initiatives for the well-being of future generations.”

*Muhammad Yunus, Nobel Laureate*

### About Speaker

Dr Aravind Srinivasan graduated in medicine from PSG Institute of Medical Sciences, Coimbatore in 1992 and completed his residency in ophthalmology leading to Masters in Ophthalmology from Aravind Eye Institute and Postgraduate Institute of Ophthalmology, Madurai in 1996. Having worked in the medical field, he had a passion for management. As a result, he did his MBA with specialization in strategy from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA in the year 2000.

After his MBA, he took over as the Administrator of Aravind Eye Care System and was instrumental in bringing changes to the various facets of the organization. Apart from administrating the institution in all respects, his field of interest includes performing phaco surgeries and taking care of the outpatients. He is involved in teaching eye health management courses leading to capacity building, training, research activities and research administrators. He has presented in numerous International Conferences about the “Aravind Model” of high volume, high quality, cost effective eye care. He is also a visiting faculty of Indian Institute of Management and Indian School of Business and Mentor for the MBA students of Wharton School of Business.