

Dr. Prathap C Reddy, Founder Chairman, Apollo Hospitals

An amazing personality of extraordinary talent, Dr. Prathap C. Reddy is counted amongst India's most eminent and recognized luminaries of medicine. He is admired for being an extremely innovative Indian entrepreneur and eminent cardiologist who founded the first corporate chain of hospitals in India, the prestigious Apollo Hospitals.

Dr. Reddy, the Founder Chairman of Apollo Hospitals through his visionary leadership harnessed the potential of technology and insurance to take healthcare to the masses with initiatives such as telemedicine in Aragonda, the world's first V-SAT- enabled remote village in Andhra Pradesh, the Apollo Reach Hospitals model, the innovative insurance project of Rs. 1 a day which created the platform for the Government of India's Universal Health Insurance programme.

He is widely acknowledged as the architect of modern Indian healthcare, who has wholeheartedly dedicated himself to bringing world-class healthcare within the economic and geographic reach of millions.

Dr. Prathap C. Reddy propagated Preventive Healthcare with the concept of Annual Health Checks. As a cardiologist, he recognised that the battle against disease had to go beyond hospitals and envisioned the Billion Hearts Beating Campaign, an endeavour that deploys innovative mediums to encourage Indians to stay heart-healthy.

Dr. Reddy has also been the Chairman of the Confederation of Indian Industry's National Health Council and advisor to its committees on Healthcare, Health Insurance, Public Health and Pharma. He was pivotal in the genesis of NATHEALTH - the Healthcare Federation of India.

He introduced 'Save a Child's Heart Initiative', a social initiative that is addressing the widespread issue of congenital heart disease amongst the children in India.

Dr. Reddy's extraordinary accomplishments have been recognized through numerous coveted awards, notably the Padma Bhushan and India's Second Highest Civilian Award, Padma Vibhushan, besides several Life Time Achievement Awards