



Mr. R.S. Agarwal of Emami Group awarded the prestigious Global Xaverian Award

**The award was conferred by the President & Governing Council of
St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association
at the Annual Reunion held on 27th December, 2014**

Kolkata, 29th December, 2014: Mr. R.S. Agarwal, Founder & Jt. Chairman, Emami Group of Companies was conferred with the prestigious **Global Xaverian Award** at a glittering function held at the Annual Reunion of **St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association (SXCAA)** at the College Grounds in Kolkata on 27th December, 2014.

The Global Xaverian Award was presented by Rev. Father J. Felix Raj SJ, Principal of St. Xavier's College (Autonomous) Kolkata and President of SXCAA and Fr. Jayaraj Veluswami SJ, Provincial of Calcutta Province honoring Mr. R.S. Agarwal for his outstanding achievement of spearheading Emami Group of Companies as one of the largest business houses in India and for his contribution towards his alma mater, industry and the society at large. During the occasion Father Felix Raj also lauded the ceaseless support extended by Mr. Agarwal for the development & expansion work of the college including the financial assistance of Rs. 4.25 crores by Mr. Agarwal. Mr. Agarwal has also pledged a further financial assistance towards development of the College and its other projects.

Speaking on the occasion, **Mr. R.S. Agarwal** said, "I feel honoured and privileged to have been conferred with this prestigious award as recognition of being a Xaverian and thus contributing towards the society. In my estimation, this award is dedicated as much to my alma mater. I would not deserve an award of excellence without the wisdom and confidence that I have imbibed as a Xaverian. It is the virtues that I have acquired as a Xaverian that have motivated me to excel, and thus contribute my best to the society."

A Chartered Accountant, Company Secretary, LLB and a Master Degree holder in Commerce, Mr. R.S. Agarwal has a brilliant academic track record. From a very humble beginning & with very limited resource, Mr. Agarwal, along with his childhood friend and business partner Mr. R.S. Goenka have driven Emami Group with exceptional & extra ordinary skills to make it a huge business conglomerate that enjoys a market capitalization of around Rs 25,000 cr. Emami Group has leadership presence in diversified business sectors like FMCG, newsprint, hospitals, edible oil, bio-diesel, realty, writing instrument, contemporary art, retail, power & cement.



Through his sheer grit, determination and visionary ideas, he has risen from the ground zero to a prodigious stature where Emami Group has successfully generated source of income for more than 20,000 employees. The Founder-Chairmen of Emami Group, **Mr. R S Agarwal & Mr. R S Goenka** are amongst top billionaires of India as ranked by Forbes.

Considered as a present day Management Guru who is innovative, an administrator par excellence and possessor of great consumer insight and far sight, Mr. R.S. Agarwal along with Emami Co-Founder, Mr. R S Goenka is considered as unparalleled achievers of the modern business. Mr. Agarwal's forte lies in identifying & capitalising on opportunities with speed & precision. His academic brilliance is an asset during times of major implementations.

He is attached with many philanthropic and social organisations and is equally adept at CSR and is associated with various Charitable Trusts. Mr. Agarwal is a sensitive poet, an avid reader & writer. '**Bhavdhara**' is a collection of his poems that has recently been published. He is also a passionate collector of art and owns an impressive and vast collection of many priceless works. . His life story been captured by Shri Arun Maheswari in '**Ek Aur Bhrahmand**' that was published in 2013.

Mr. R S Agarwal, an eminent voice in Indian industry has served as a Director of the West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation Ltd and was also President of Merchants' Chamber of Commerce. He currently holds the position of Chairman of the Advisory Council of MCC Chamber of Commerce & Industry and is also a Trustee of the Chamber.

The announcement to confer the Global Xaverian Award was made at the 5th edition of Beyond Boundaries, the annual global convention of St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association hosted by Melbourne Chapter in October 2014. Mr. R.S. Agarwal however could not receive the award at Melbourne due to health issues.

Beyond Boundaries is regarded as a great way to reconnect with fellow Xaverians from all across the world. This year's main focus has been Vision 2020, where the focus has been on the future plans of the alma mater.

The Global Xaverian Award had been conferred on Mr. Lakshmi Mittal of Arcelor Mittal last year.

About Emami Group:

Emami Group, a Rs. 10000 cr. Group of Companies, is a diversified business conglomerate with over 20,000 employees. It has significant presence with leadership positions in diversified industries such as **FMCG – Emami Ltd.**, the flagship company of the



Group & one of the leading FMCG companies in the country engaged in manufacturing & marketing of personal care and healthcare products like Navratna, BoroPlus, Zandu Balm, Fair & Handsome, Menthoplus Balm; **Bio Diesel and Edible Oil - Emami Biotech Ltd.** – the largest in Eastern India and the second largest edible oil company in India. It is also the only Bio-diesel manufacturer in the country; **Paper - Emami Paper Mills**, India's largest newsprint manufacturer; **Writing Instrument - CRI Tips**, world's 4th largest ball point tip manufacturer; **Realty - Emami Realty**, a leading real estate company; **Healthcare - AMRI Hospitals**, Eastern India's largest chain of hospitals; **Retail –Frank Ross and Starmark**, largest pharmacy chain & leisure stores in the East and **Contemporary Art - Emami Chisel Art**. It also has presence in **Solar Power**. The Group is setting up a 4 MTPA **Cement Plant** in Chhattisgarh with two split grinding units in West Bengal and Odisha of 1.5 MTPA each at a total investment of around Rs.3000 cr.

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