

## **Profile of Board of Directors**

### **Dr Palani G Periasamy, M.A., M.A., Ph. D - Chairman**

Dr Palani G Periasamy was a US based Non-Resident Indian. He obtained his Masters in Economics from University of Madras in 1962, Masters in Economic from University of Pittsburgh, USA in 1969 and Doctorate in Advanced Micro / Macro Economics from the University of Pittsburgh, USA in 1972. He was Professor of Economics in University of Pittsburgh, Baltimore, U.S.A. He was tenured as a Professor of Economics and Director of the Graduate School of Management at the University of Baltimore, Maryland, USA from 1974 – 1987. He was the Managing General Partner of Port Charlotte Inn Limited (Ramada Inn), Village Commons Shopping Centre, Chelsea Square Apartments and Transamerican Investors and Mid-Atlantic associates in USA. He was also Member, Board of Governors, Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai.

He had over the years held various positions including Member, American Economic Association, Member, Eastern Economic Association, Member, Atlantic Economic Society and Member, Society of Government Economists. He was Chairman, University Committee, School of Business 1979-80 and was President of Chesapeake Association of Economic Educators, USA. He was also the first Non-US President of the Association. He had been conferred with various awards, principal among them being “Outstanding Educator of America” award for two consecutive years in 1975 and 1976 and the “National Unity Award 1993” from the All India National Unity Conference, New Delhi. He is President of PGP International Inc. U.S.A

Since 1987, Dr Palani G Periasamy has been managing the activities of the PGP Group in India. He is also Chairman of several Public Companies including Dharani Sugars and Chemicals Limited & Dharani Finance Limited. He is also the President of PGP Educational and Welfare Society which is actively engaged in the field of education having set up Engineering as well as Science & Arts Colleges, Schools and Polytechnic. He was President of South Indian Sugar Manufacturers Association. He is also the Vice President of South Indian Chamber of Commerce.

**Mrs. Visalakshi Periasamy, Vice Chairman**

She is a resident of United States. She was appointed as Managing Director of Appu Hotels Ltd from 20.01.1995 and is now the Company's vice – Chair person and Chief Executive Officer. She is on the Board of Directors of Dharani Finance Limited. She is a Para Medical Specialist by Profession. She was working as Senior Medical Technologist in John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. She was also a Director in PGP International, an organization which had been managing Hotel under franchise from Ramada Inn in USA and also managing various properties and shopping complexes in USA.

**Mr. A. Sennimalai, M.Sc., MBA, Managing Director**

He was the Joint Managing Director from August 1998 and associated with the PGP Group of Companies for the last 25 years assisting the Chairman in his entrepreneurial endeavor. He holds a Master in Management. He is a Director in Dharani Sugars and Chemicals Limited. His association with the Company dates back from inception and is more than two decades now. He was actively involved in the execution of the Hotel Projects both at Chennai and Coimbatore. He was earlier the Managing Director of Dharani Cements Ltd.

**Dr. V. Janakiraman, M.B.B.S., A.B.I.M., Director**

He is a Non-Resident Indian from U.S.A. He is a Committee Member of PGP International Inc., U.S.A. He is a leading practitioner in Cardiology at various hospitals in Pittsburgh, U.S.A. He is a Director of the Company since 1996. Also an investor in the Company from the beginning.

**Mr. K. Kandasamy, B.A., B.L., MBA, Director**

He was appointed to the Board effective from 27.12.97. He has considerable experience in administration. He is now the Managing Director of Dharani Finance Limited.

**Mr. C. Ramachandran IAS (Retd), Director**

He was appointed to the Board with effect from 29.06.2007. After the Post graduate degree in Physics, he joined the Indian Administrative Service and had served since 1960 in important Government positions in Tamil Nadu like District Collector, Dy. Secretary (Industries), Joint Secretary (Industries), Secretary (Industries), Secretary (Labour) and Principal Secretary (Industries).

**Mr. Anoop Bali (Nominee Director of TFCI)**

Mr. Anoop Bali, Chief General Manager of Tourism Finance Corporation of India Limited (TFCI) was nominated as Director on the Board of Directors of this Company with effect from 01/04/2013. He holds Master's Degree in business Administration from University of Jammu. He has rich experience of 22 years in the areas of Project Finance, Project Development, Project Monitoring, NPA Management, Corporate Advisory etc. He has developed expertise in development and financial structuring of tourism related projects. He has been nominated on the board of some of the assisted companies of TFCI and is also an investment committee member of India Enterprise Development Fund (IEDF) of IFCI Venture Capital Funds Limited.

**Ms Ananthi Periasamy, Director**

Ms Ananthi Periasamy a Non Resident Indian possesses requisite knowledge, experience and skill for the position of Director. She is 38 years old and is a graduate B.A in Business Administration with Specialization in Management and Finance. She was appointed to the Board with effect from 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016. She is the daughter of Dr. Palani G Periasamy, Chairman and Mrs Visalakshi Periasamy Executive Vice Chairman.

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