



IIT-Kharagpur confers “Distinguished Alumnus” Award on Pennar Industries Chairman Shri Nrupender Rao

The Chairman of Pennar Group, Shri Nrupender Rao was honoured by his Alma Mater, IIT-Kharagpur with the Distinguished Alumnus Award in recognition of his achievements in the field of industry.

The convocation was held at IIT Kharagpur campus on the 22nd of August 2011, and Shri Manmohan Singh, Hon’ble Prime Minister was the Chief Guest and gave the award consisting of a Gold Medal, Certificate and Scroll. The convocation was also attended by Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Hon’ble Finance Minister , Govt of India, Shri M K Narayanan, Governor of West Bengal, and Shri Damodar Acharya, Director of IIT Kharagpur.

Shri Nrupender Rao is the founder Chairman of the Pennar Group consisting of Pennar Industries, Pennar Engineered Building Systems and Pennar Chemical. The Group which had sales of Rs. 1375 crores last year has interests in steel based engineered products, pre engineered buildings, additives for enhancing fuel performance and water treatment chemicals.

Shri. Rao is the recipient of Dr. Nayudamma Gold Medal for his contribution to Industrial Development in Andhra Pradesh and the “Entrepreneur of the Year” Award by the Hyderabad Management Association. Shri Rao is a past member of the Andhra Pradesh State Planning Board and was earlier was appointed by the A. P. Government as the Chairman of the Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation (APIIC) for two years. Shri Rao is past National President of Indo American Chamber of Commerce.