SMART Journal Annual Awards – 2011

**SMART Journal Awards for the year 2011** and the Inaugural function of the International Seminar on “Financial Markets: Issues and Challenges” was held at A/C Auditorium, Bharathidasan University Main Campus, Trichy on 7th January 2012.

**Dr. M. Selvam**, Founder-Publisher and Chief Editor of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies in his welcome address stated that nominations for SMART Awards other than Best Paper Award were obtained from the academicians. SMART Journal Advisory Committee and the Subject Experts evaluated those nominations and the awardees were finalized.

**Dr. Vai. Palanichamy**, M.A., B.L., Ph.D., I.A.S (R), Former Tamil Nadu State Election Commissioner presented the awards to the awardees. He stated that motivating the teacher through awards would enhance the quality in education. He congratulated the SMART Trust for constituting the awards.
Dr.V.Rajagopalan, Syndicate Member, Bharathidasan University offered felicitations.

SMART Journal Distinguished Educational Administrator Award was conferred to Dr.(Mrs). K.Meena, Vice- Chancellor, Bharathidasan University recognizing her outstanding contributions in the field of education administration to enhance the quality of Commerce and Management Education. Previously she was Vice-Principal for 6 years; Principal for 15 years, syndicate member of Bharathidasan University for two terms. She is the Syndicate Member of Anna University, Director of a Private Matriculation School. She has authored 22 books in computer subject, 5 books in tamil, published papers in 75 national and international journals and participated in various organizations.

SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award was conferred on Dr.V.Alagappan, Senior Professor, Department of Commerce, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai honoring the outstanding achievements in the field of Commerce and Management. He has 38 years of teaching and research experience. He acted as Registrar of Madurai Kamaraj University for a period of three years, Syndicate member of Madurai Kamaraj University and Co-ordinator of School of Business Studies. He has published around 100 articles in the national and International journals. He has produced 58 PhDs and has authored two books.

Dr.Sundaram Janakiramanan, SIM University, Singapore who has obtained two Ph.Ds one in finance and another in Mining Engineering was conferred with SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award. He has the teaching experience of more than 30 years in three countries India, USA and Singapore. He has published more than 20 Research Articles in reputed journals, 6 cases and 7 working papers and has presented 40 papers in conference all over the world. In addition, he has published 3 books on innovative topics like Derivatives to his credit. He undertakes consulting activities for World Bank, Spectrum technologies USA, Country wide Financial Services, Australia and Standard Chartered Bank Singapore on E-Commerce and Banking.
The research paper of Dr. Ramachandran Azhagaiah, faculty of commerce and Raju Deepa, Ph.D Research Scholar, Kanchi Mamunivar Centre for Post Graduate Studies, Puducherry published in the SMART Journal in the year 2011 has been awarded the SMART Journal Best Paper Award. The paper was selected for the award on the grounds such as clarity in presentation, appropriate selection of tools, conceptual clarity.

Dr. (Mrs). K. Meena, Vice-Chancellor, Bharathidasan University in her Special Address and Acceptance Speech stated that award is the encouragement for further contribution to the education. The Vice-Chancellor also highlighted the present activities of the Department and encouraged the future plans of the department. The awardees Dr. V. Alagappan, Dr. Sundaram Janakiramanan and Raju Deepa delivered the acceptance speech.

Dr. S. Sekar, Principal, Urumu Dhanalakshmi College and President, SMART Journal Annual Awards – 2011 thanked the gathering.