Fifth Annual Function of SMART Journal Annual Awards (2013)

SMART Journal of Business Management Studies, which is an internationally Referred Journal, with ISSN Number (0973-1598- Print Version) (2321-2012 – online Version) and the Department of Commerce and Financial Studies, Bharathidasan University, jointly confer four awards, namely, SMART Journal Distinguished Educational Administrator Award, SMART Journal Best Paper Award, SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award and SMART Journal Young Management Scientist Award.

The Fifth Annual Function of SMART Journal Awards for the year 2013 was held at 9.30 a.m. at the A/C Auditorium, Bharathidasan University Main Campus, Trichy, on 4th January 2014.

Dr.M.Selvam, Founder-Publisher and Chief Editor of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies, in his welcome address, detailed the evaluation process of nominations received for the SMART Journal Awards.

Dr.Karuthiah Pandian IAS (Retd.), Director, Bharathidasan Institute of Management, Tiruchirappalli, delivered the Presidential Address and also presented the awards to the awardees. Dr.Karuthiah Pandian IAS (Retd.) also released the Decennial Issue of SMART Journal of Business Management Studies. In his presidential address, he stated that motivating
the teacher through awards would enhance the quality in education. **Dr.Sankaran Venkateswar, USA, Dr.Satya Chattopadyay, USA, Dr.Murli Rajan, USA and Dr.T.Velnamby, Sri Lanka** offered felicitations.

**SMART Journal Distinguished Educational Administrator Award** was conferred on **Dr. A.K.Khaja Nazeemudeen,** Secretary and Correspondent, Jamal Mohamed College, to honor his outstanding achievements as an educational administrator in introducing many courses in the field of Commerce and Management. His sincere service and commitment to his profession fetched him many honours. Jamal Mohamed College of Teacher Education, Jamal Mohamed College Ayesha Girls Matriculation School and Al-Ameen Industrial Training Institute are the concrete evidence of his vision driven guidance. In recognition of his legendary service, the International Tamil University Maryland, USA, has conferred the title of “Doctor of Letters” on him. As an able administrator of multiple educational institutions, Dr. A.K. KhajaNazeemudeen has rendered meritorious service.

**SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award** was conferred on **Dr.Justin Paul,** Graduate School of Business Administration, University of Puerto Rico, USA, to honor the outstanding achievements in the field of Commerce and Management. He had taken Post Graduate Diploma in International Business, Diploma in Foreign Exchange & Risk Management, M.Phil and Ph.D in the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay. He served at various educational institutions in Washington, Canada, Netherlands, France, Germany, Paris and Denmark. He also served at Indian Institute of Management (IIM) and South Indian Bank Staff Training College. He has authored and co-authored nine books in the area of Economics and Management. His research articles/papers have been published in 11 peer reviewed journals. He has delivered invited speeches at eleven international conferences and he has also presented research papers in 35 international conferences. He has visited more than 30 countries in the pursuit of academic activities. He serves as editorial advisory/reviewer positions in various national and international journals.

**Dr.N.Panchanatham,** Professor of Business Administration and Registrar, Annamalai University, has distinguished achievements in the field of management and research work. In recognition of his contributions, **SMART Journal Distinguished Life Time Achievement Award** was conferred on him. He has 33 years of teaching experience, inclusive of 23 years of academic research and 10 years in industry. His educational qualifications include MBA, Ph.D.,
Dr. E. Bhaskaran, Deputy Director of Industries & Commerce, Government of Tamil Nadu, was awarded SMART Journal Young Management Scientist Award for his contributions in the area of research in the field of Commerce and Management. He has finished B.E., M.I.E., M.B.A, Ph.D., C.Eng., and doing Post Doctoral i.e., Doctor of Science (D.Sc) at the University of Madras and Doctor of Literature (D.lit) at the Bharathiyar University. He has got best project award on the topic, ‘ROBOTICS’, during B.E (Mechanical Engineering) from Directorate of Technical Education, Government of Tamil Nadu. For the past 20 years, he worked as Assistant Engineer (Industries), Assistant Director (Modernisation), Deputy Director (EDP). He has published 53 papers in journals / proceedings / news papers / edited books with H-Index of 1, and given 70 invited talks. He has presented 46 research papers in UGC - sponsored International and National Conferences / Seminars - held throughout India and attended 214 training / conference programs.

The joint research paper of H. Chandra, Associate Professor in Commerce, PKR Arts College for Women, Gobichettipalayam and A. Selvaraj, Associate Professor, PG & Research Department of Commerce, Gobi Arts & Science College, Gobichettipalayam, published in the SMART Journal in the year 2013, has been selected for the SMART Journal Best Paper Award. The paper was selected for the award on the grounds of clarity in presentation, appropriate selection of tools and conceptual clarity.

The awardees delivered the acceptance speech. Dr. S. Sekar, Principal, Urumu Dhanalakshmi College and President, SMART Journal Awards 2013, delivered the Vote of Thanks.