

Dr. K Anji Reddy is a B.Sc.-Tech in Pharmaceuticals and Fine Chemicals from Bombay University and PhD in Chemical Engineering from National Chemical Laboratory, Pune. He is the Founder & Chairman of Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Limited (DRL).



Under Dr Reddy's leadership, DRL has been a pioneer and trendsetter in the Indian Pharmaceutical industry. DRL exports its products to over 100 countries and 80% of its revenues are from outside of India. The current turnover of the company is **1.5 Billion U.S. dollars**. It was the first Indian company to have obtained exclusivity for marketing a generic product consequent to a patent challenge in the United States and in 2006 became the first Indian company to market an authorized generic in that country.

DRL was the first non-Japanese Asian pharmaceutical company to list in the New York Stock Exchange.

At Dr Reddy's initiative, DRL is vigorously working on a new paradigm of bringing cutting edge science to improve already known safe and efficacious drugs to address unmet medical needs at a very affordable price. DRL was the first Indian company to manufacture and market a biosimilar therapeutic protein developed from the basic clone stage in 2001. In 2007, DRL became the first company in the world to develop and launch a biosimilar monoclonal antibody for the treatment of serious cancers.

Socially relevant initiatives

Dr Reddy has established several philanthropic institutions: Dr. Reddys Foundation for Human & Social Development, Naandi Foundation and more recently the NICE foundation. These organisations address socio-economic issues, including hunger and malnourishment, employment generation and livelihoods for the small and marginal farmers. A million lives have thus been impacted so far with these initiatives.

Dr Reddy has initiated serious effort in generating options for safe drinking water for the poor. Over 650 water treatment plants have been installed in various parts of India, providing safe drinking water to more than 3 Million villagers at an average cost per litre of 10 paise or .025 cents.

Key Positions

Dr. Reddy serves as a Member of the Prime Minister's Council on Trade & Industry, Government of India. He is also a Member of the Board of Governors of Institute of Chemical Technology, University of Mumbai.

Awards

Dr. Reddy has been the recipient of several awards and honors. Notable among them are The Federation of Asian Pharmaceutical Associations (FAPA)'s FAPA-Ishidate Award for Pharmaceutical research in 1998. He was voted Businessman of the Year by India's leading business magazine Business India in the year 2001. Dr Reddy was conferred with the "Padma Sri" in 2001 by the Government of India for his distinguished service in the field of Trade & Economic Activity and Industry.