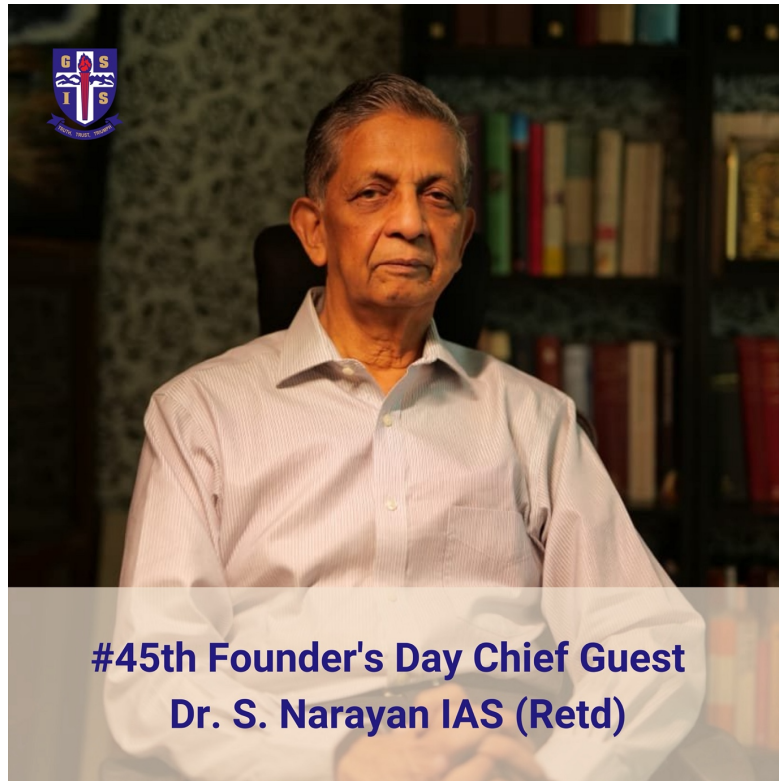


About our Founder's Day Chief Guest

Dr. S. Narayan



Dr. S. Narayan has nearly four decades of public service in the State and Central Governments (1965 to 2004), and belongs to Tamil Nadu cadre of the IAS (1965). He was collector of two districts and spent several years as Secretary Rural Development in the state. He was also Secretary Planning as well as Secretary Environment and Forests prior to working for several years in an intergovernmental organization on Rural Development in South and Southeast Asia headquartered in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Through his distinguished service in a variety of roles and his research experience, he has a deep understanding of the socio-economic context of Tamil Nadu. His special interests include public finance, energy policy, and rural development.

Public Policy, Administrative and Research Experience

- He was Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister of India between 2003 and 2004. His responsibilities included formulation of macroeconomic

policy for the Government, tariff, and taxation policies as well as initiatives for modernizing the capital markets.

- Prior to this assignment, he served the Government of India as Finance and Economic Affairs Secretary, Secretary in the Departments of Revenue, Petroleum, and Industrial Development. As Secretary, Petroleum and Natural Gas, he was responsible for policy formulation and implementation in the hydrocarbon sector.
- He has been the visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore since 2005. He was Chair professor at the Indira Gandhi National University from 2010 to 2015.

Publications

- Dr Narayan has authored two books, edited four books, and written numerous policy papers, reports, and book chapters.
- He also writes regularly both locally and internationally on issues relating to Public Policy, Governance, Public Finance, Trade and Energy.
- He is the author of 'The Dravidian Years- welfare and politics in Tamil Nadu' (OUP 2018), and recently (2020) has edited a book on Bangladesh at Fifty- Development and Challenges (Orient Blackswan).

Education

- Dr.S.Narayan obtained his Ph.D from the Indian Institute of Technology in New Delhi. He has an M.Phil (Development Economics) from Cambridge University and Master of Business Management (Finance) from the University of Adelaide. He graduated with an M.Sc (Physics) from the University of Madras (Madras Christian College).