

Profile of Raman Ramachandran Ph.D

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Dr. Raman Ramachandran retired as Chairman & Managing Director of BASF India Ltd (<https://www.india.basf.com/>), Head of BASF group companies in South Asia and subsequently lead PI Industries Ltd (<https://www.piindustries.com/>) as its Managing Director and CEO. During his stint of nearly three decades with global chemicals major (BASF), Raman held many positions of responsibility and led the strategic evolution of BASF as a leader in the agricultural products business in the Asia Pacific region. He has global experience having worked for 11 years based at Singapore with Asia Pacific regional responsibilities. He has a PhD from University of Adelaide, South Australia and subsequently pursued his research interests with International Organizations in Kenya, Philippines and at University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA. Raman was a member of the BASF's Asia Pacific Business Board, Vice-President, Crop Life Asia and Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industries, Chemicals and Petrochemicals industry group.

Raman was Robert S McNamara Fellow of the Economic Development Institute of World Bank in the year 1990. He was awarded FICCI's Chemical and Petrochemical sector's "Lifetime Achievement Award for contribution to Agrochemical Industry" in November 2021.

He is currently non-executive Chairman on board of Calibre Chemical Pvt Ltd (<https://www.calibrechem.com/>) and Independent Director of Proklean Technologies (<https://proklean.in/>). He is Newfield Certified Executive Coach and is currently pursuing his second coaching certification with Coaching Federation of India (CFI).

Raman is passionate about Management Education particularly in the context of helping practising managers to be successful by combining his years of corporate experience with academic experts at K J Somaiya Institute of Management. He plays competitive Table Tennis and was a long-distance runner.