



Rakesh Prakash Agarwal

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Rakesh Prakash Agarwal is one of the most distinguished business leaders and innovator in Western U.P. He is respected for his vision, business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit. He is one of those entrepreneurs who has potential to bloom an inchoate idea and venture.

Mr. Agarwal soon after obtaining his bachelor's degree in Paint Technology from HBTI, Kanpur, decided to take after his father, Mr. Raghunandan Prasad Sarraf, a renowned jeweller of his time and a pioneer of the jewellery business in western U.P. started in 1918. Initially handling this business was not easy for him as he had no formal education in this field but he had a strong heart and will power to face all the hardships. Thus, with his regular hardship and grace of God, he became successful in establishing the fair practice Jewellery organisation –Raghunandan Jewellers Pvt. Ltd. He is an epitome of boldness and courage. He has reached pinnacle of success by his innovative practices, hard work and positive vision. He has been continuously striving hard to reach skies while keeping his foot deeply rooted on the ground. With his strong determination he has been able to rise and make platform for himself and establish a niche for his firm in he business world of today. He is known not only for the successful orientation of his family business but also for his vision, his constant urge for quality education to all.

He is the Ex-Chairman of Bharat Institute of Technology, Meerut which is one of the most prestigious institutions in this region. Currently he is performing his role as an active member of the Board of Trustees. As a Chairman he has made tremendous contributions in making the institute reaching new heights of success. He has always been a constant source of inspiration and the institute has witnessed unprecedented growth during is tenure. He established U.P.'s biggest FILM institute named "Indian Film and Television Institute" in 2009, which he looks after as its chairman. The Institute inspired to promote young talent in the field of Media and Entertainment by imparting education in courses such as direction, cinematography, dancing, singing, acting, sound recording, mass communication etc. He believes that multifacet education with equitable heart and brain development is right of every child irrespect of its birth. Therefore, He established a school with vision BIT Global School.

He firmly believes in full dedication, honesty and foresightedness towards the work, without which success remains aloof. It is his strong

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determination and vision which has established a high niche for him in both Business and Academic world today. To acknowledge his business acumen and entrepreneurial spirit, one of the prestigious channel ZEE NEWS (UP) has chosen him as 'JEWEL OF UTTAR PRADESH & UTTARAKHAND, A FEW Amongst Those Who Drove Industrialization' in the year 2011.

He is a God fearing human being and belongs to a religious Hindu family. He firmly believes two principles– “Tamsomaa gotirgamay” and “Karmanye Vadhikaraste, Ma Phaleshoukada Chana”. According to him the nature is the biggest classroom for learning all the lessons of how to live a good life. He preaches that a person should become more kind and helpful as he grows in life just like a tree bends down more everyday as it grows taller. He possesses many qualities. He is smart, intelligent, hardworking, a true struggler, positive thinker, energetic, enthusiastic, humble, focused and ambitious with a strong will power and the list is never ending. He truly lives his dreams and always look out for new opportunities to grow bigger and better. He believes in learning and creating new employment opportunities to help make a better India. Mr. R.P. Agarwal found a strong support in the form of his wife Mrs. Mala Agarwal, M.A. in psychology in 1979. He has one daughter “Tina Agarwal” who has completed her masters degree from “Melbourne” Australia and one son “Tanmay Agarwal” who has completed his M.B.A. and now looks after the entire Raghunandan Jewellers.

He believes a lot in contributing to the society and is an active member of Red Cross Society, Kabir peace mission, Ismail postgraduate college, Alexander club, Meerut club, Meerut College, trustee of Neem Karoli Seva Ashram Trust and Vaishya Hindu (Agrasain) and Mantri of Sarrafa Association.