

*"When Krishna Iyer speaks,
the nation listens"*

F. S. Nariman

*"Society is guilty
if anyone suffers unjustly"*

Justice. V. R. Krishna Iyer

JUSTICE V. R. KRISHNA IYER AWARD WINNERS

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Judge, Supreme Court of India.

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2021

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JUSTICE V.R. KRISHNA IYER AWARD 2023 & 2024



Inauguration & Presentation of Award

Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan

(The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala)

Presented to

Prof. (Dr) N.K. Jayakumar

&

Shri. Venkitesh Ramakrishnan

In the presence of

Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Anil Kumar

(Lokayukta, Kerala)

Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Nagaresh

(Judge, High Court of Kerala)

23rd November 2024, Saturday

2.00 pm to 6:00 pm

@ Mahtma Ayyankali Hall (V J T Hall)
Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram



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INVITATION

The LAW Trust had resolved to recognize and honour those who have contributed exceptionally to the welfare of the society by conferring them with its prestigious **JUSTICE V.R. KRISHNA IYER AWARD**, every year. The Award is instituted in the fond memory of the legend of judiciary, Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer, as a token of respect to him. The Award consists of a sum of Rs. 50,000/- and a memento engraved with Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer's picture and citation.

The Trust delightfully decided, in one accord, to confer its prestigious Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer Award 2023 on **Prof. (Dr) N.K. Jayakumar** who, in the capacity of being an eminent teacher in law showcased meritorious contribution to a number of reputed universities inside and overseas India spanning over five decades as a master of a dedicated life, inspiring author, legal scholar and jurisprudential advisor. To add to his honour, he extended paradigmatic service as a dynamic vice chancellor as well.

The Trust with complete gladness made up its mind to confer the Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer Award for 2024 on **Shri. Venkitesh Ramakrishnan**, for his invaluable contribution to the field of Journalism who realistically, promptly, unambiguously and unwaveringly portrayed the political, social, cultural and environmental realities in the most striking fashion. By conferring the Award on such iconic stalwarts, its aura gets embellished and its glory touches the zenith.

Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala, has graciously consented to give away the Award on 23rd November 2024 (Saturday), in the luminous presence of **Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Anilkumar (Lokayuktha)** and **Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Nagaresh (Judge, High Court of Kerala)** in a grant ceremony at Mahatma Ayyankali Hall, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram.

In tune with the Award giving ceremony a seminar and paper presentation competition on the topic "**Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer on Autonomy of Press**" is an excellent addition to the event. This provides an opportunity to delve deeper into the legacy and views of Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer, particularly in the context of freedom of press.

Your felicitous presence is solicited most profusely to make the ceremony a fruitful and momentous one.

With warm regards

Secretary
Adv. Prema Kumar K.

Chairman
Adv. Santhosh Kumar P.

PROGRAMME

SESSION-I
2.00 pm to 4.30 pm
SEMINAR

"JUSTICE V.R. KRISHNA IYER ON AUTONOMY OF PRESS"

	Prayer
Welcome Address	: Adv. S. Ajith Chairman, Legal Aid Committee, The LAW Trust
Inaugural Address	: Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Nagaresh Judge, High Court of Kerala
Presidential Address	: Dr. N. Krishna Kumar Hon'ble Secretary, Kerala Legislative Assembly
Special Address	: Shri. A. Saraf Addl. Commissioner, State GST Department Adv. Joseph John Member, Bar Council of Kerala
Moderator	: Adv. Jayakrishnan D. Chairman, Seminar Committee, The LAW Trust
Paper Presentation	: Advocates & Law Students
Concluding Remarks	: Dr. B. Rajendran Principal, KITTS

AWARD CONFERRING CEREMONY

SESSION-II
5:00 pm to 6:00pm

	Prayer
Welcome Address	: Adv. Santhosh Kumar P. Chairman, The LAW Trust
Presidential Address	: Adv. M. Shaheed Ahmed Patron, The LAW Trust
Inauguration & Presentation of Award	: Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala
Keynote Address	: Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Anilkumar Lokayukta, Kerala
Special Address	: Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. Nagaresh Judge, High Court of Kerala
Felicitations	: Dr. N. Krishna Kumar Hon'ble Secretary, Kerala Legislative Assembly Adv. T.S. Ajith Hon'ble Chairman, Bar Council of Kerala : Adv. N. Manoj Kumar Learned State Attorney & Member, B.C.I Shri P.K. Rajasekharan Literari Critic & Journalist Adv. Anayara Balu President, Thiruvananthapuram Bar Association
Acceptance speech	: Prof. (Dr) N.K. Jayakumar Shri. Venkitesh Ramakrishnan
Vote of Thanks	: Adv. Prema Kumar K. Secretary, The LAW Trust National Anthem