

REPORT OF NON SPONSORED/LOCAL ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY CENTRES / OVERSEAS CHAPTERS

Name of Centre		ANDHRA PRADESH	
Title of Activity:		Padma Bhushan Dr. K L Rao Birthday	
Activity under Divisional Board		CIVIL	
Date:	15-07-2023	Venue:	ANDHRA PRADESH STATE CENTRE



Dignitaries

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Brief Details about the Programme:

10 AM - Joining the Program

10:10 AM – Started the garlanding to **Padma Bhushan Dr. K L Rao Statue**
Member of IEI



Past Mayor of Vijayawada : J Shankar garu

10:20 AM – J Shankar garu garlanding to Dr. K L Rao Statue



Er. M Narayana Prasad, FIE

10:25 AM – Er. M Narayana Prasad, FIE garu garlanding to Dr. K L Rao Statue



Past Committee Members : Er Radha Krishna & MRS Prakasarao garu

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Er. M Lingeswara Rao, MIE

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MRS Prakasarao garu told about the greatness of Dr. K L Rao garu, He worked as a professor in Rangoon, Burma. After completing his PhD he worked as assistant professor in the United Kingdom. He wrote a book called *Structural Engineering and Reinforced Concrete*. After returning to India, he worked as a design engineer for the Madras government. He held the post of director (designs) in Vidyut Commission-New Delhi in 1950. He was promoted as chief engineer in 1954.

He was elected as a member of parliament from Vijayawada constituency for the first time in 1961. He was elected as member of parliament three times from the Vijayawada constituency. On 20 July 1963, Rao was sworn in as a minister for Irrigation and Electricity in the union government. Under his regime as union minister for water resources, Rao designed many irrigation and hydro-electric projects. Nagarjuna Sagar Dam, the world's longest masonry dam on River Krishna in Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh and Nalgonda District of Telangana, also the Srisailem Dam i.e constructed across the Krishna River on the border of Mahabubnagar(presently Jogulamba Gadwal) District, Telangana and Kurnool district, Andhra Pradesh near Srisailem temple town and is the 2nd largest capacity working hydroelectric station in the country is to his credit. Rao worked as union minister in Jawahar Lal Nehru, Lal Bahadur Shastri and Indira Gandhi's cabinet.

In 1963, Rao was awarded the Padma Bhushan for his contribution in the spheres of irrigation and power. He had been president of the Central Board of Irrigation and Power and of the All India Engineers Association in 1958–59 and 1959–1960. He was vice-president of International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering (Asia) in 1957–61 and in 1961–65. He was awarded a doctorate in science by Andhra University in 1960. He was also awarded a doctorate by Roorkee University in engineering in 1968.

11 AM - End of Session