

Press Release

Mani Group Pays Homage To Bharat Ratna, Late Dr Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam

Kolkata, 28th July, 2015: Mani Group, today, paid homage to the departed soul of the former President of India, **Bharat Ratna, Late Dr Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam** (15th October, 1931 - 27th July, 2015). The employees of the group along with Professor, Ms Manabi Bandyopadhyay, Principal, Krishna Nagar Women's College and the visitors of Mani Square assembled and paid a candle-light homage to Dr Kalam.

A portrait of Dr Kalam has been kept inside the Mani Square along with a Message Board where people can write their condolence messages. These will be kept there for 7 days.

"We are deeply saddened by the loss of the Hon'ble Former President of India, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam. He was the People's President, an ideal citizen, a great scientist, an inspirational author and an astounding motivator. Our deepest sympathies go out to his family", said **Ms Sudarshana Gangulee, Senior General Manager, Mani Group.**

Dr APJ Abdul Kalam was one of the most distinguished scientists of India with the unique honour of receiving honorary doctorates from 30 universities and institutions. He was awarded the coveted civilian awards - Padma Bhushan (1981) and Padma Vibhushan (1990) and the highest civilian award Bharat Ratna (1997). Dr. Kalam became the 11th President of India on 25th July 2002. In his literary pursuit four of Dr Kalam's books - "Wings of Fire", "India 2020 - A Vision for the New Millennium", "My journey" and "Ignited Minds - Unleashing the power within India" have become household names in India and among the Indian nationals abroad. These books have been translated in many Indian languages.

About Mani Group

Set up in 1980 by Sanjay Jhunjhunwala with a simple vision . . . building spaces for people who believe in quality . . . the Calcutta headquartered Mani Group has been touching lives for over 30 years through its real estate development ventures in prime locations in West Bengal and beyond. During the period, the group has delivered more than 6 million sqft to over 2,000 families and it currently has a further 11 million sqft under construction across multiple geographies. Today the group's operations have spread far beyond Calcutta with a pan-India footprint covering West Bengal, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Odisha. It has also diversified beyond real estate and has interests in retail, hospitality, education, healthcare and power.

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