

## **Mr Prabhakar Shankar Deodhar**



**(September 25, 1934– January 28, 2024)**

Mr Prabhakar Shankar Deodhar, FNAE, born on September 25, 1934 passed away on January 28, 2024. He was elected to INAE Fellowship in the year 2002 and was affiliated to Engineering Section VI (Electronics and Communication Engineering).

Mr PS Deodhar, Chairman Aplab Limited, Mumbai and Formerly Chairman, Electronics Commission, Govt. of India; Formerly Advisor (Electronics) to the P.M. had made significant contributions to the growth of the Electronics Industry in the country. In 1962, he set up the first private laboratory and Aplab Limited, founded by him developed ATMs for banks and machines for modernization of the retail sector, automated petrol pumps and cable fault detection machines. He also created a device that removes defects in cables and was responsible for manufacturing about 650 electronic devices and products. Along with his notable achievements in the industrial sector, he held the post of Chairman of the Central Government Electronics Commission from 1986 to 1988. He also was the chairman of the broadcast council in 1992-93 which set in motion the privatisation of the electronic media with metro channels. Mr Deodhar left a legacy of pioneering achievements in the country's Electronics and Information Technology sector as an engineering-scientist, industrialist and national policy maker.

May God bless his soul to Rest in Peace

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