

Obituary

Prof. Pasala Dayaratnam



(November 23, 1932- November 11, 2025)

Prof. Pasala Dayaratnam, *FNAE* born on November 23, 1932 passed away on November 11, 2025. He was elected to INAE Fellowship in the year 1994 and affiliated to Engineering Section I (Civil Engineering).

Prof. Pasala Dayaratnam, Former Vice-Chancellor, Jawahar Lal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad and Professor and former Head, Civil Engineering Department, IIT Kanpur had made significant research contributions in the areas of Structural Engineering and Prestressed Concrete Structures. His work on the theory and application of engineering principles for the design and maintenance of civil engineering structures is well recognized. Prof Dayaratnam was a dedicated academician and institution builder and was widely respected as an outstanding teacher and mentor of students. He was a prolific writer and had authored several influential books used in engineering education providing a strong foundation in the fundamentals of Structural Engineering. A few notable titles of books authored by him include Prestressed Concrete Structures; Brick and Reinforced Concrete Structures; Design of Steel Structures; Structural Engineering and Cable Stayed, Supported and Suspension Bridges. He was a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers India and the Indian National Academy of Engineering. He received a lifetime achievement award from the Indian Concrete Institute in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the growth of concrete technology and construction.

May God bless his soul to rest in peace