

### **Profile of Dr. Ravindranath Kancherla**

Dr. K. Ravindranath is a world renowned expert in Surgical Gastroenterology and Laparoscopic Surgery. Acknowledged as a pioneer, with over 25,000 Laparoscopic surgeries, perhaps highest number in the Country, he was earlier working in some of UK's top medical institutions. Dr. K. Ravindranath realized the urgent need for a Liver transplant facility in India. Observing Liver transplants for Indians meant travelling to countries like UK and spending huge amounts of time and money. He was deeply touched when he saw the plight of hundreds of patients with terminal Liver diseases who endured all odds in Britain in hope of finding a donor. Thus, he bid goodbye to a highly lucrative career abroad and returned to India to set up India's first dedicated multi-organ transplant facility in Hyderabad in 1998. Today, under Dr. Ravindranath's dynamic leadership and guidance, Global Hospitals has become the premier healthcare center to perform multi organ transplants.

Born in 1954, Dr. K. Ravindranath, with a doctor's degree from Sri Venkateshwara Medical College, Tirupati, AP, went on to complete his Masters in Science from Madras University. In a span of five years, Dr. Ravindranath accomplished Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons from Glasgow & Edinburgh and become one of the most sought after surgeons in India and abroad.

Dr. Ravindranath has also gained the reputation of being a pioneer in various surgical and developmental projects. He developed India's most comprehensive Hospital dedicated for Gastroenterology and a center to efficiently conduct the complicated procedure of organ transplantation. With extensive experience in surgeries, Dr. Ravindranath has become an authority in liver, pancreatic and bile duct resections, revision gastric surgeries, and reconstructive coloproctology. He has trained over 700 surgeons in laparoscopic procedures.

He was called upon to grace the position of the Founder-Member & Treasurer of Endoscopic & Laparoscopic Surgeons Association of Asia in Singapore, and thus became the first Indian to occupy the coveted position. He was also the Hon. Secretary of the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons from 1998 to 2000.

Dr. Ravindranath was also the Vice President, Endoscopic & Laparoscopic Surgeons of Asia from 2002 to 2004. He officiated as the President of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons from 2002 to 2004. He was also the Organizing Chairman of Asia Pacific Congress of Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgeons of Asia in 2007.

Dr. Ravindranath has had the opportunity to work at the Oesophageal & Gastric Surgery Department at Memorial Hospital in Darlington, U.K. With his reputation as a fine surgeon and a fabled touch, Dr. Ravindranath was involved in Liver Transplantation procedures at Kings College Hospital, London, UK. He has had extensive experience of Hepatobiliary & Pancreatic Surgeries at Hammersmith Hospital, London. Dr. Ravindranath excelled in Colorectal Surgery at St. Mark's Hospital, London. His reputation as a specialist in Surgical Gastroenterology has gained acceptance across the globe. He has also served as guest faculty at workshops and conferences all over India and in countries like Australia, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, Japan, the U.K. and the U.S.

Dr. Ravindranath is spearheading Global Hospitals Group, which is the fastest growing chain of multi super specialty tertiary care Hospitals offering healthcare services of international standards. The Group currently has nine hospitals strategically located across the country

with more than two thousand beds. With India's largest multi-organ transplant centre and the country's best team of experts in a host of specialties, Global Hospitals with its world class hospitals, has given a new lease of life to many battling with end-stage diseases. Recognized for internationally reputed doctors and cutting-edge medical technologies, the Hospital has achieved several milestones by performing rare and pioneering surgeries like India's first successful Split & Auxiliary Liver Transplant, and first combined Heart & Kidney transplant. Led by a highly renowned team of specialists and visionaries, Global Hospitals continuously strives to make its expertise affordable by all segments of the society.

The Global Hospitals Group currently has state-of the art and world class hospitals offering advanced patient care, at Hyderabad, Chennai, Mumbai and Bangalore. Pursuing a rapid expansion path, the Group is soon poised to expand its services by opening new Hospitals at Kolkata and Bhubaneswar in the next eighteen to twenty four months. Plans are on the anvil to open Hospitals in all major cities which are Delhi, Ahmedabad, Lucknow, Chandigarh, Jaipur, Vizag and Coimbatore.