

# PROF. E.G. RAMACHANDRAN INSTITUTE CHAIR AT IIT MADRAS - METALLURGY DEPT



**Prof. E.G. Ramachandran in conversation with Prof B.S. Murty**

The Metallurgical fraternity lost an excellent teacher, an academician par excellence, a visionary, with the passing away of Prof. E.G. Ramachandran on February 14, 2018. He inspired not only everyone came in contact with him but also those who have heard of him.

Born in 1925, he obtained his PhD in 1947 (at the age of 22, an extraordinary accomplishment) from University of Sheffield. After serving Department of Metallurgy, IISc, Bangalore, as a faculty member for 9 years and National Metallurgical Laboratory, Jamshedpur as Assistant Director for 5 years, he moved to IIT Madras in 1961 as the first Professor of the Department of Metallurgical Engineering. He was also Director-in-charge of IIT Madras for a brief period. He superannuated from IIT Madras in 1985. He was instrumental in establishing the industrial metallurgy division in the Indian Institute of Metals and later became its President in 1980.



As the first Professor and the first Head, he shaped the Department of Metallurgical Engineering, IIT Madras, passionately over three decades as a prominent place for teaching and research. His academic excellence is evident from his publications, including those in NATURE in early 60's, which speak volumes about his exceptional research career.

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