

## **Dr. D NAGESHWAR REDDY**

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Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy, Chairman and Chief of Gastroenterology at AIG Hospitals, Hyderabad, stands as a paragon of medical innovation, compassion, and relentless pursuit of excellence in patient care. Dr. Reddy is a globally renowned Gastroenterologist, who revolutionized the field of therapeutic endoscopy, transforming thousands of lives across the globe and made India a hub for world-class GI Endoscopy services.

Born on 18<sup>th</sup> March 1956, Dr. Reddy did his MBBS from Kurnool Medical College thereafter MD from Madras Medical College and specialization in Gastroenterology from the PGIMER, Chandigarh. He started as a professor of Gastroenterology at the Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences in Hyderabad and then at the Guntur Medical College before setting up the Asian Institute of Gastroenterology in 1994. Soon the institute became the first in India to be recognized by the World Endoscopy Organization as a Centre of Excellence. His groundbreaking inventions such as the Natural Orifice Transluminal Endoscopic Surgery (NOTES) procedure and the NAGI Stent have saved countless lives by offering a minimally invasive alternative to traditional surgery.

Beyond clinical excellence, Dr. Reddy's commitment to affordable healthcare is unparalleled. As the founder of the Asian Healthcare Foundation, he has bridged rural-urban healthcare divides, deploying India's first mobile endoscopy units and screening programs that bring life-saving diagnostics to underserved communities. His GI Endoscopy Technician Program has trained thousands, ensuring skilled care across the nation. His contributions extend to healthcare technology, where he has collaborated with IITs, IISc, and international research institutions to develop several diagnostic and therapeutic tools to treat gastrointestinal diseases.

An educator and mentor, Dr. Reddy has shaped the next generation of gastroenterologists, while his prolific research—over 1125 publications and 50 textbooks—enriches global medical knowledge.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Reddy spearheaded critical research, treatment protocols, and community initiatives, ensuring affordable COVID-19 care, free treatment for frontline workers, and vaccine strategy optimization. His scientific leadership and commitment to public health played a crucial role in shaping India's pandemic response. His leadership at AIG Hospitals produced critical research and protocols that guided national treatment strategies.

Internationally acclaimed, Dr. Reddy has been honored with the Rudolf Schindler Award by the American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy—the first Indian to receive this distinction—and the prestigious AAAS Fellowship, a testament to his scientific eminence. He has been awarded the Distinguished Educator Award by the American Gastroenterology Association, Master of the World Endoscopy Organization (MWGO), among several other eminent global accolades. In terms of national awards, Dr. D Nageshwar Reddy received the Dr. BC Roy award in 1995, Padma Shri in 2002, Padma Bhushan in 2016 and Padma Vibhushan in 2025. He was also awarded Dr Ambuj Nath Bose Prize by Royal College of Physicians, Harveian Oration 2025, London. In 2026, he had received the prestigious Dr Jivraj Mehta Award by the Association of Physicians of India for his contributions toward Medicine in India and The Christopher Williams Award by the British Society of Gastroenterology, Life Time Achievement award for Outstanding Leadership, mentorship, and lasting impacts on the field of GI endoscopy – 15th Expert Strategies in Endoscopy, Gastrointestinal and Liver Disorders, Kansas, Maryland Governor's Award, American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin, Baltimore, AIGO Award, Chicago and GUINNESS WORLD RECORD for being part of "The most viewers of an artificial intelligence in healthcare lesion live stream on YouTube

is 17999 and was achieved by National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences (NBEMS) and Dr Abhijat Sheth (both India) in Delhi, India on 25th February 2026.

Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy symbolized a beacon of humanity and healing, whose work embodies the spirit of the India and its rich cultural legacy of compassionate care for its entire people. His legacy inspires us to strive for a healthier, more equitable world.