



**Brief Bio-data of Dr. B. Chandrasekaran  
Director, CSIR-CLRI**

DR. B. Chandrasekaran, Ph.D., has been appointed as Director, CSIR – Central Leather Research Institute (CSIR-CLRI). Prior to this, he was a Chief Scientist and as Chairman of the HRD Cluster of CSIR – CLRI in development of curriculum and vertical growth integrating the skills with levels of education. He is a Leather Technologist and specializes in Cleaner Production with levels of education. He is a Leather Technologist and specializes in Cleaner Production Technologies, Leather Education, Leather product Design & Development, CAD Techniques for Leather Product Design, Organizational Development, Consultancy in R&D and Organizational Excellence. His expertise lies in Inter- Institutional Cooperation and Global R&D Consultancy.

Dr. Chandrasekaran is the recipient of Kannammal Memorial Award for holding First Rank in the M.Tech, Sulabh International Award and the AIMO Award. Dr. Chandrasekaran is the Vice-President of Indian Leather Technologist's Association, and Life-Member, A.C. Tech Leather and Footwear Association (ALFA), ISO – Leather, American Leather Chemists Association and International Union of Leather Technologists and Chemists Society.

Dr. Chandrasekaran is the Project Coordinator for CSIR'S prestigious International Consultancy assignment in Ethiopia which focuses on capacity building of Leather industry Development Institute (LIDI), Ethiopia and he is instrumental in negotiating for similar services in the metal and engineering sector in Ethiopia. He was also invited by the Ministry of Industrialization, Kenya as expert in assisting them formulate a project for establishing Integrated Leather Industrial Park at Nairobi.

Dr. Chandrasekaran's strength lies in networking of all educational institutions in the country offering degree, diploma and certificate level courses for strengthening their infrastructure and standardization of the curriculum for academic and vocational programs paving way for "Make In India" Project of Govt. of India.

Dr.Chandrasekaran guided several Masters and PhD students and has 70 International peer reviewed papers to his credit with 15 patents and 3 copyrights.

He heads the largest sources of graduate engineer in leather related Technology education centers in the world with a total student and training strength of over 300 per annum and has designed a regulated mechanism of additional 250 Project interns from various academic institutions in the country.

Dr. Chandrasekaran is the coordinator for the National Monitoring Unit (NMU) for Department of Industrial Policies and Promotion (DIPP), Govt. of India.