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Dr.K. Chockalingam, M.A., M.Litt. M.L., Ph.D., born in Kanniyakumari district in Tamil Nadu in India on 16 April 1945 is currently the Vice President of the World Society of Victimology. He was serving as Chair Professor in Criminal Law at the National Law University, Delhi until the end of February 2014 since May 2012. Earlier he was working as Professor of Criminology and Victimology at the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute of the Tokiwa University in Japan from September 2005 until the end of September 2011, after completing his three year term as the Vice Chancellor of Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli in Tamil Nadu state in December 2004. During his stay of six years at Tokiwa University, Japan he worked as Deputy Director of the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute for two years and finally as Director of the International Centre of the Tokiwa University. Prof.Chockalingam has received international and national awards for his contribution to progressive policy and programmes for crime victims and has been invited to lecture in universities in more than 30 countries (including Harvard and Oxford). He has more than 40 years of teaching and research experience at the University of Madras in India, at the Tokiwa University, Japan and later at the National Law University, Delhi in the field of Criminology, Criminal Law and Victimology. He is considered as pioneering the field of Victimology in India and was the Founder President of the Indian Society of Victimology and he held the position for 13 years.

Dr.Chockalingam started his career as a Lecturer in the National Institute of Social Defence, Govt. of India, New Delhi from 1978 to 1983. In 1983, he was selected to head the newly established Department of Criminology at the University of Madras, Chennai. From 1983 to 2001, he started and consolidated a Master's and Doctoral program, established an exchange program with the University of Illinois, undertook an extensive series of research projects and lectured all over the world. He was a guest lecturer at the Indian National Police Academy for many years. **Prof.Chockalingam has been a Life Member of Indian Institute of Public administration for more than two decades and was elected as a Member of the Executive Council of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) for two terms.** He was also elected/appointed to the boards of many national and international organizations. He was the keynote speaker invited by the Law Commission of Sri Lanka at Colombo to discuss the Draft bill on Victim Compensation and Assistance for Sri Lanka in June 2006.

In 2001, he was selected by the Government of Tamil Nadu to become the Vice Chancellor of Manomaniam Sundaranar University in Tirunelveli in Tamil Nadu. He won significant grants for the buildings and infrastructure for the University, established a new work culture including a mission statement that focused on learning lawfulness, and launched a Master's programme in criminal. Prof.K Chockalingam **earned a name as an Institution builder through his vision, innovation and hard work insisting on the slogan "Excellence in Everything" and created a new work culture among the faculty, students and non-teaching staff of the Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli.** Through his relentless efforts and dynamic leadership, he motivated the entire faculty and the administrative staff, and for the first time he submitted the university for NAAC assessment and **earned the B++ level of accreditation with an institutional score of 80-85%** in December 2003 by the **National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)** of India.

Participation in UN activities and international conferences

Prof.Chockalingam participated in the VII United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders held at Milan, Italy from 1 to 10 September 1985 and had the privilege of being there to witness and participate in the deliberations on the historic event of the adoption of the UN Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power by world countries for the first time, which led to the adoption of this instrument, called as *magna carta for victims* by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 29 November 1985. In the year 2000, he prepared the theme paper on '**Offenders and Victims: Accountability and Fairness to the Criminal Justice System**' for UNODC for the 10th UN Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders held from 10-17 April, 2000 at Vienna. He has been an invited expert on many UN and international activities, including the preparation of:

- UN Handbook on Justice for Victims on the Use and Application of the Declaration on Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power
- UN Guide for the Policy makers on the Implementation of the Declaration on Basic Principles of Justice for Victims of Crime and Abuse of Power
- UN Guidelines on Crime Prevention
- Draft World Crime and Justice report (UNICRI, 2003)
- Guidelines for Child victims and Witnesses (International Bureau for Children's Rights, 2003) - by UN Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

He has been a World Society of Victimology delegate to the Milan and Cairo UN Congresses on the Prevention of crime and the Treatment of offenders in 1985 and 1995. He has been a General Rapporteur for the 2000 International Symposium on Victimology of the World Society of Victimology (WSV) in Montreal. He presented papers in all the triennial conferences of the World Society of Victimology from 1985 until now. He participated in conferences in more than 30 countries in Asia and around the world. He was awarded the Max Planck Society's Research Fellowship at the Max Planck Institute for International and Foreign Penal Law, Freiburg in Germany three times. He was a Guest Professor at the Tokiwa University, Mito, Japan for four months in 1992-93. Subsequently he was Full Professor of Victimology at the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute of the Tokiwa University from September 2005 to September 2011, besides being the Director of International Centre of Tokiwa University from April to September 2011. He was a Visiting Expert of the United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of

crime and the Treatment of offenders (UNAFEI), Tokyo at the 144th International Seminar in January 2010. Recently he was an invited keynote speaker at the National Conference of Victimology held in the University of Balikpapan in Indonesia and also lectured at the faculty of Law at the University of Indonesia, Jakarta in April 2017.

Research Activities

Prof. Chockalingam has guided more than 50 research scholars and students for their Ph.D., M.Phil. M.A. and LLM dissertations, in the broad fields of Criminology, Criminal Law and Victimology.

He has directed 8 research projects on issues that have led to action by governments. For instance, his research on problems of women using Public Transport in Chennai showed that 63% of women between the ages of 15 and 35 had been sexually harassed and so the government increased the frequency of 'Women Only' Special buses during rush hours in Chennai city during 1992-93. He was instrumental to prepare a draft bill on *Assistance to victims of crime* as President of the Indian Society of Victimology by using the resources of National Law School of India University, Bangalore and the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC). Other projects in the past include:

- "A Psycho - Social and Legal Study of Rape Victims" funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi completed in 1993.
- "Victimisation Survey in four Major Cities in Tamil Nadu" funded by the University Grants Commission, New Delhi, completed in 2000.
- "Perception of victim vulnerability among the students of Madras University in Chennai and the Tonkawa University, Mito, Japan", funded by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Mito Japan, completed in 2007.
- Elder victimization and vulnerability – a three country project in India, U.S. and Germany funded by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Mito Japan, completed in 2009.
- Victims of Intimate Partner Violence in Chennai, India-A Psycho/Social Model approach, funded by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Mito Japan, completed in January 2012.

Publications

He has authored about 75 publications, including books, scientific articles and reports published in India and abroad. Examples of these are his books

- Readings in Victimology in 1985;
- Criminology book in Tamil language in 1997
- Child Victims of Crime (Co-edited) in 2001
- Human Rights, Criminal Justice and Constitutional Empowerment (co-edited) for the Oxford University Press in 2007.

Honours/ Awards/ Distinctions

Professor Chockalingam has received the following awards:

- 1983 The Indian Society of Criminology, **Fellowship Award**
- 1985 The Indian Society of Criminology, **Gold medal**
- 1992 Tokiwa University, Japan, **Tokiwa Gold Medal**
- 1994 The Indian Society of Criminology, **Dr. B.S. Haikerwal - Prof. Sushil Chandra Senior Social Scientist Award"** (presented by the then Home Minister of India Shri S.B.Chavan)
- 1998 Kumarappa-Reckless Award by the Indian Society of Criminology for his

significant contribution to Criminology presented by the then Home Minister of India Shri. L.K.Advani.

- 1996 Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology, “**Tamil Nadu Scientist Award**”
- 1996 American Society of Criminology’s Division of International Criminology, **Distinguished International Scholar Award**, presented at its Annual conference at Chicago.
- 2002 University Grants Commission of India, **U.G.C.National Hari Om Ashram Award** (citation presented by the Union Minister for Human Resource Development, India, Shri Murli Manohar Joshi).
- 2015 Paul H Appleby Award by the Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi for his distinguished services to public administration.. The award by IIPA is a tribute to Paul Appleby, a noted author of works in the field of public administration who helped in developing the vision of the institute in the early years of its founding.

Membership in scientific bodies and other responsibilities

- Life Member and Elected **member of the Executive Committee** of the World Society of Victimology from 1991- until 2012. Reelected again for the period 2012-2018.
- **Vice-Chair of the Organizing Committee** of the 13th International Symposium on Victimology, Tokiwa University, Mito, Japan from 2007 until September 2009.
- **Member of the Scientific Programme Committee** of the 13th International Symposium on Victimology, Tokiwa University, Mito, Japan from 2007 until September 2009.
- **Member of the Board of Directors** of the Institute of Victimology, Colombo, Sri Lanka from 2007.
- **Member of the Scientific Council of the International Victimology Institute (INTERVICT)**, Tilburg University, The Netherlands, 2007.
- **Founder President of the Indian Society of Victimology in August 1992** and held the position for 13 years until 2007.
- **Co-Director of the 7th, 8th, 10th and 13th Asian Post-graduate courses on Victimology and victim assistance** organized jointly by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Japan and the World Society of Victimology in August 2007 and August 2008, 2009 and 2010 and delivered a series of lectures.
- **Co-Director of the 13th Asian Post-graduate courses on Victimology and victim assistance hosted by the National Law University, Delhi in India** and organized jointly by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Japan and the World Society of Victimology in August 2013 and delivered a series of lectures.
- **Co-Director of the First and Second International courses on the “Development of a Comprehensive Victim Assistance Programme”** for the developing countries sponsored by the Japan Internal Cooperation Agency (JICA) and organized by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute, Mito, Japan in October-November 2007 and October- November 2008 and delivered a series of lectures in these courses.
- **Founder Trustee and Member of the Board of Trustees for the Thiruvalluvar Criminological Research Foundation, Chennai**, since 1987 and its Chairman from 2007.

- **Founding Member of the Executive Committee of the Legal Education and Research Society of India (LEARS), New Delhi since 2005, which founded the O.P.Jindal Global University, Haryana.**
- **Member of the International Advisory Board** for the Journal ‘Forum on Crime and Society’ published by the United Nations Centre for International Crime Prevention, Vienna , from 2001.
- **Member of the International Advisory Board and a Consulting Editor** for the Journal ‘International Perspectives in Victimology’ published by the Tokiwa International Victimology Institute of the Tokiwa University Mito, Japan from 2003.
- **Course Coordinator for the 13th Asian Postgraduate Course on Victimology and Victim Assistance** to be jointly organized by the National Law University, Delhi (NLUD), Tokiwa International Victimology Institute (TIVI), Japan and the World Society of Victimology (WSV) and to be held at the NLUD campus from 5 to 16 August, 2013.

Special Distinction:

The Indian Society of Victimology (ISV) established in 1992 has in its Executive Committee meeting held in February 2013 resolved unanimously to **institute its highest award in the name of “Professor K. Chockalingam Award” to be given to a scholar who has made significant contribution to Victimology** and the award is being presented during its Biennial Conferences once in two years. The first award was presented to Prof.G.S.Bajpai in 2014 at the 4th International conference organized by the Indian Society of Victimology at the University of Madras in 2014, to Professor Madhava Somasundaram at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata in 2016 and to Professor N.K.Chakraborty, Dean of Law School, Bhubaneswar at Nirma University, Ahmadabad in March 2017 at the 6th International conference on Victimology.