

## Brief Profile of Dr. M. Veerappa Moily

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### Career Background

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- Congress Working Committee Member- In charge of Andhra Pradesh and Assam.
- Chairman, Media Department, All India Congress Committee
- Chairman, Department of Policy Planning and Coordination, AICC
- Chairman, Group to Look into Future Challenges , AICC
- August 2005 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 - Chairman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Administrative Reforms Commission, Govt. of India. The Commission dealt with 13 Terms of Reference which include Civil Service Reforms, Police Reforms and reforms from the village unit to the Government of India. Submitted all its Reports which include reports on Ethics in Governance, Public Order, Terrorism, and Refurbishment of Personnel Administration.
- Chairman, Oversight Committee, Govt. of India. – a path breaking report was submitted to resolve the serious conflict arising in the country over the introduction of 27% reservations to OBCs in premier institutions of India.
- 2002 – 2004 Chairman, Revenue Reforms Commission – submitted a monumental report particularly on VAT which became the basis for introduction of the said system throughout the country. The measures recommended in his report opened up new horizon in the resource mobilization of the States.
- 2000 – 2002 Chairman, Tax Reforms Commission
- 1992 – 1994 Chief Minister of Karnataka
- 1989 – 1992 Minister for Law, Youth Service, Culture, Information, Parliamentary Affairs and Education, Govt. of Karnataka
- 1983 – 1985 Leader of Opposition, Karnataka Assembly
- 1980 – 1982 Minister for Finance, Planning & Tourism, Govt. of Karnataka
- 1974 – 1977 Minister for Small Scale Industries, Govt. of Karnataka
- Appointed to various committees by Indira Gandhi one of which led to the setting up of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD).
- Practiced law in the courts of Karkala, Mangalore, High Court in Bangalore and at the Supreme Court of India.
- Led the implementation of economic reforms in Karnataka in 1992 and also responsible for drafting & implementing the Karnataka Land Reforms Act in 1974. Dr. Moily is also an eminent Economist.
- Led several projects, policies and achievements of the State of Karnataka in ministries and sectors such as Finance, Irrigation and Power, Urban Development and Infrastructure, Housing and Rural Development, Empowerment, Education and Culture.
- Author of epic poem *Sri Ramayana Mahanveshanam* in five volumes containing 42,295 lines in Kannada. It has also being translated into Hindi published by Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts, New Delhi. A Tamil version of this epic is also under translation. Currently Sri Moily is also writing an Epic on Draupadi

- Authored '*Musings on India*' Part 1 & 2 in English containing articles on contemporary issues including public finance. Apart from this he also authored five novels in Kannada many of which have been translated to Hindi and English. His latest release is 'The Edge of Time' a translation of his Kannada novel 'Tembare' published by Rupa & Co, New Delhi
- Authored '*Unleashing India: A Road Map for Agrarian Wealth Creation*'.
- Authored '*Unleashing India: Water – Meeting our nation's needs*'
- Regular columnist for leading print publications and electronic media.
- Currently writing a book on the steps to be taken to make India an economic superpower by year 2020.

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### Career Summary

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- 40 years of experience in public service, policy-making, governance and politics.
- Detailed understanding of the Indian Economy, Fiscal Structure and requirements of States from a macro and micro perspective.
- Critical insight into the best practices of world economies.
- Experience of having formulated and implemented pioneering concepts in India's Education sector.
- Experience of representing the government in projects with leading organisations such as the World Bank, Asian Development Bank (ADB), Reserve Bank of India, Planning Commission etc.
- Ability to develop a comprehensive economic agenda that can unleash the productive potential of India's economy.

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### Summary of Achievements

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#### Finance:

- Presented the Karnataka State Budgets for 1992-93, 1993-94, 1994-95, 1980-81, 1981-82 & 1982-83.
- Set records of revenue surplus during every stint as Finance Minister.

#### Irrigation and Power:

- Led unprecedented and huge outlays in irrigation works and helped maximize the irrigation potential of Karnataka.
- Developed innovative financing schemes such as Irrigation bonds which were appreciated by the Reserve Bank of India and the World Bank.
- Cleared and conceived massive works on the power generation and power distribution system in Karnataka that substantially reduced the power shortage position in Karnataka.

- Established Krishna Jalabhagya Nigam scheme which mobilised Rs. 13,000 crores for irrigation projects.

#### **Rural and Urban Development and Infrastructure:**

- Formulated and implemented various drinking water schemes and employment guarantee schemes and housing schemes.
- Established the Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance to formulate and appraise infrastructure development projects, mobilization of funds from different sources, implementation of urban infrastructure projects, and capacity building/training on urban development issues.
- Initiated various projects such as the International Airport in Bangalore, International Convention Centre, Konkan Railway, and National Games in Bangalore.
- Sanctioned and implemented the Rs. 1200 crores ADB aid programme for the coastal region of Karnataka.

#### **Education:**

- Chief Architect of the new Common Entrance Test (CET) system launching an admission policy for technical education founded on merit, transparency and social justice. This system was adopted all over India.
- Established the nation's leading law institute, The National Law School University.
- Executed the Total Literacy Programme in the State of Karnataka.
- Worked with the World Bank to execute Universalization of Primary Education.
- Oversaw the reform in University Education in Karnataka. He established six universities such as Kannada University, Rajiv Gandhi Medical University, Visweshwariah Technical University, Karnataka State Open University, Mangalore University and Gulbarga University.

#### **Industry:**

- Laid the foundation for the growth of Information Technology industry in Bangalore through various incentives to Indian and multinational companies.
- Established the International Information Technology Park (ITPL) at Whitefield in Bangalore.
- Established the Electronic City, an IT industrial estate at Anekal, Karnataka. Electronic City now exports Rs. 65,000 crores worth of software per annum.
- Established the Peenya Industrial estate which is the biggest of its kind in Asia.
- Announced the new Industrial Policy in 1993, in tune with the liberalization policy of the Govt of India, which resulted in investment projects worth Rs. 87,000 crores in Karnataka.
- Sanctioned and facilitated the establishment of the major employment generating companies such as the Vijaynagar Steel Plant, MRPL, BSAF and Wipro in Karnataka.

**Personal Details:**

- Honorary Doctorate awarded by Russian Academy
- Honorary Doctorate awarded on February 16, 2009, by the Mangalore University
- B.A, B.L., Law Firm - Moily Associates
- Born on 12<sup>th</sup> January 1940 at Marpadi Village, Moodibidri, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka
- Married to Malathi with four children
- Languages spoken include Kannada, English, Tulu and Hindi.