

Dr Amitabh Rajan has recently joined as a Professor of Practice at I.T.S-School of Management, Ghaziabad. Dr Rajan, a distinguished IAS officer (1979-2014), has served as an Independent Director on the Board of the State Trading Corporation of India (2016-2019) and as Chairman of the Reserve Bank of India Services Board (2018-2022).

Dr Rajan has led major organizations in various sectors, including foreign trade, financial services, power sector regulation, public investment, and internal security and vigilance. He was the Home Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra for three years and served as a District Magistrate for five years. He has also worked at the highest policy levels in the Union Ministries of Finance, Personnel, and Social Justice.

Dr Rajan is the recipient of several prestigious awards, including the Government of India Award for Excellence in the Achievement of MOU Targets from the President of India (2003), the Indian Institute of Public Administration Award for Best Article in the Indian Journal of Public Administration from the Vice-President of India (2018), the SCOPE Meritorious Award for Best Managed Public Sector Enterprise from the Prime Minister of India (2008), and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir (2005). He earned his Ph.D. in Sociological Jurisprudence from Jawaharlal Nehru University, which was published as a book, and has taught at two central universities.

He has authored seminal articles on the jurisprudence of children's rights and the evolution of information rights jurisprudence, which were published simultaneously in the Indian Journal of Public Administration and the All-India Reporter. Other publications by Dr Rajan cover topics such as regulation theory, post-2008 financial technology, the institutional dynamics of governance reform, anti-corruption politics, and critiques of the neoliberal public management approach. His book, <u>Administrative Ethics: A Conceptual Framework</u> (Routledge, 2023), is among his notable works.

Dr Rajan has represented India at various international forums, including the Ministerial Conference of the Paris Pact, where he led the Indian delegation in the absence of the Union Finance Minister. He has also led the Indian delegation at SAARC Technical Committees in Pakistan and Bangladesh. Dr Rajan has been a member of the Council of Administration of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences, Brussels, and the Governing Council of the Asian Group for Public Administration, Beijing. Currently, he serves as the President of the International Chamber of Professional Education and Industry.

Dr Amitabh Rajan now focuses on intellectual pursuits related to ongoing paradigm shifts in finance, technology, and society. He has authored numerous research papers and is frequently invited to speak on these subjects. Additionally, he serves on various advisory boards, editorial boards, research councils, and governing councils.