

## **Dr. CDR. KARTIKAY SAINI-CHAIRMAN SPECIAL OLYMPICS BHARAT**

Dr. Commander Kartikay Saini has almost 30 years of distinguished Service behind him, both in the Armed forces as well as the corporate world. He is currently the Chairman of Scottish High International School and a Director of Hema Group of Industries, a 5,000 million turnover company.

An Alumni of The Sacred Heart Convent, Ludhiana and The National Defence Academy Pune, Dr. Cdr Saini is an Engineer and MBA by qualification with over 14 professional qualifications in different fields. His rich experience includes being the Joint Director Defence Procurement, CEO of Tobu India and CEO Eurotherm Hema Radiators, an Indo-German joint venture.



Dr. Cdr Saini is a highly decorated Officer with over 19 decorations in the Defence and Civil world including 'Gem of India', 'Rashtriya Gaurav Award', 'Shiksha Bhartiya Award', among others. Recently he was conferred upon the prestigious 'Derozio Award' for his exemplary contribution towards special needs children.

Continuing to hold sway, Dr. Saini's inexhaustible quest and contribution to the society has always been at the fore. Dedicated to the cause of Special Needs Children, he has been the frontrunner towards macro expanding the climate of awareness and has also been vaulting to set the tone for 'Acceptance' of special needs kids in the mainstream.

Dr. Cdr Saini has practiced philanthropy and compassion throughout his life and contributed to the cause of Special Needs intensively. Other than his mammoth National Level efforts for education, especially the under privileged, Integrated education for children with intellectual disabilities, he has pioneered research in intellectual disorders and heads the Autism Research Centre of India constituted under the Central Government Ministry.

Assuming the mantle as Chairman, Special Olympics Bharat, on 13th August 2015, Dr. Saini endeavors for a freewheeled platform for around 1 million athletes of India. In addition, he is also the Vice Chairman of Special Olympics Asia Pacific Leadership Council and the Chairman of Asia Pacific Unified Sports Committee. He is the Head of The Autism Research Centre of India since 2007.