

Brief Bio of Puran Dang

Puran Dang is the Founder and Senior Advisor of Minuteman Group, Inc., a consulting company started in 1980, focused on Technology Development and Human Resource Services primarily of scientific and technical personnel.

Mr. Dang is involved in many community, social, cultural, artistic, and entrepreneurial organizations. He is Chairman Emeritus and former Chairman of **MITHAS** (MIT Heritage of The Arts of South Asia) which is a function of the School of Arts & Music of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Dang is Founder and President Emeritus of Indian Institutes of Technology Society in New England (IIT-SINE), the first association of the alumni of IITs in the world. He also serves as the Life Time Trustee of IIT Kharagpur Foundation. Mr. Dang was one of the founding Charter Members of TIE-Boston. He served on the Board of Directors in the initial years, and was Chairman of Membership Committee. He has mentored many young men and women in joining and starting entrepreneurial companies.

Mr. Dang is Chairman of several humanitarian organizations serving the very poor in India: Ekal Vidyalaya, Vision Aid and Ambassador of Akshayapatra: Feeding Millions of poor children in India.

Mr. Dang has also played a major role in motivating and developing young college students to take part in the American political process. He was the Chairman of the Internship Program of IAFPE (The Indian American Forum for Political Education). During his term, a major effort was made to raise the profile of IAFPE and many college students were sent to The White House, Congressional Offices and Governors' Offices.

Mr. Dang has been bestowed many awards including the Distinguished Service Award by his alma-mater, IIT Kharagpur, Star of Boston and many more by the Humanitarian & Non-Profit organizations.

Puran Dang holds a B.Tech. (Hons) degree from IIT Kharagpur, B.Sc. Honors degree in Physics from Delhi University and an MBA from USA.

His wife, Dr. Kamlesh Dang, holds Ph.D. and MBA degrees and did lot of research in Microbiology including Post Doc research at Harvard School of Public Health, Boston.

