

Mr.B.Santhanam,
MD,SaintGobain Glass India

Mr. B. Santhanam is the Managing Director of Saint Gobain Glass India. With his exceptional technical, human and conceptual skills he is an admired leader in the Indian Business environment. He started his career in Grindwell Norton in 1980, and soon became the youngest member of Management Board. When in 1996, Saint-Gobain decided to acquire the ownership of Grindwell Norton, Santhanam was chosen to develop a strategic blue print for the venture. He became the Founder Managing Director of Saint-Gobain Glass India. In a short span of six years, he led the transformation of a greensite into a world class integrated glass manufacturing complex, surpassing many records in quality, efficiency and profitability. His company has been rated by Hewitt Associates amongst the Best in India terms of HR practices, Leadership, and Value to Society. He is now the Vice Chairman of CII, Tamil Nadu State Council, a Member of the Management Council, Madras Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI), and a Member of the CII Governing Council Industry-Institute Interface. In recognition of the efforts, achievements, and managerial excellence of Mr. B. Santhanam in the Indian industry, IIT Madras and its Alumni are proud to present him this award.