

Brief Bio-Data

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Dr Jayaraj Amin is a Professor and Chairperson of the Department of Political Science at Mangalore University. He obtained his Master's degree in Political Science from Mangalore University and M.Phil. and PhD from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Before joining Mangalore University, Prof. Jayaraj Amin had served in the research wing of Lok Sabha Secretariat, Indian Parliament, New Delhi.

For the last 30 years, Prof. Jayaraj Amin has been teaching in the post-graduate Department of Political Science and guiding research students for their PhD. His specialisation and area of interest is International Relations with a special focus on regional organisations. Prof. Jayaraj Amin has edited 2 books on the European Union and 1 book on Ambigara Chowdaiah. He has published many chapters in Books and research articles in International and national journals. He has presented papers in several national and international seminars and conferences in India and abroad.

Prof. Jayaraj Amin was a recipient of the Austrian Salzburg seminar fellowship; the Sri Lankan RCSS fellowship; the IESCP-sponsored Advanced European Union research fellowship in Germany and the European Commission-sponsored Erasmus Mundus Fellowship in the Netherlands. He had served as visiting faculty at the University of Leipzig and the University of Wurzburg in Germany; and, was a fellow at the University of Leiden, Netherlands.

Prof. Jayaraj Amin has to his credit the initiation and successful completion of three major and prestigious projects sponsored by the European Commission at Mangalore University, that is, (1) the India- European Union Study Centres Programme- an off-shoot of the India-European Union bilateral treaty (2) The Erasmus Mundus Academic Exchange Programme with several European

Universities (3) Jean Monnet Module project that has put Mangalore University in the global map of specialised centres teaching European Union.

Prof. Jayaraj Amin served as In-charge Vice Chancellor of Mangalore University from 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 to 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024. He was also a Dean of Arts Faculty and a member of the Syndicate and Academic Council at Mangalore University. He had earlier served as Director of the College Development Council (CDC) and Coordinator of Ambigara Chowdaiah Peeta at Mangalore University. He has also discharged his duties for several years as Chairman of the Department of Political Science, BOS, BOE, BOS on Indian Constitution, Human Rights, Environment and Gender Equity, Doctoral Committee, Anti Human Trafficking Cell; and, Chairman and member of several other academic and professional committees in Mangalore University and other Universities in Karnataka and outside. He has to his credit the organisation of several international and national conferences/seminars and webinars, special/ invited lecture series, round tables and workshops.

Prof. Jayaraj Amin has served as member secretary of NAAC peer teams for accreditation and assessment. He is the Vice President of the Association of European Studies in India; Associate member of the Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis (IDSA), New Delhi; Life member of the Indian Political Science Association; American Studies Research Centre, Hyderabad; Member of International Studies Association, University of Arizona and several other professional bodies.