OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTING EDUCATOR AWARD

Dr. Shyam Sunder, James L. Frank Professor of Accounting, Economics, and Finance, Yale School of Management and past President (2006), American Accounting Association (AAA), has received the Outstanding Accounting Educator Award of the American Accounting Association at the Annual Conference of the AAA held in Anaheim, California, in August, 2013.

The award, established in 1972, recognizes sustained contributions to accounting education from scholarly endeavors in research and teaching over a sustained period of time through educational innovation, excellence in teaching, publications, research guidance to graduate students, and significant involvement in professional and academic societies and activities.

Professor Sunder, an accounting theorist and experimented economist, is a pioneer in the fields of experimental finance and experimental macroeconomics. His current research includes the problem of structuring U.S. and international accounting and auditing institutions to obtain a judicious and efficient balance between regulatory oversight and market competition.

Prof. Sunder’s research is at the highest level of quality. He has received the AAA’s Competitive Manuscript Award in 1975; twice, in 1982 and 1998 respectively, he won the AAA and AICPA’s Notable Contribution to Accounting Literature Award. He was the AAA’s Inaugural Presidential Research Lecturer (1999) and the AAA’s Distinguished International Visiting Lecturer in Accounting (2000). Consistent with his commitment to strengthen other’s research, he has assumed numerous editorial responsibilities, including serving as a founding member of four academic journals, as well as serving as associate editor on the editorial board for approximately 20 journals, including all the major journals of the AAA.

Professor Sunder encouraged the launch of a new academic journal in India, Indian Accounting Review, and contributed the first article, Accounting and the Firm: A Contract Theory, in its maiden issue (June, 1997). He has been in the Advisory Editorial Board of the Review since 1997. As President of the AAA, Prof. Sunder gave keynote address on “From Norms towards Standards of Corporate Financial Reporting : Transition and Consequences” in our 8th International Accounting conference held in Taj Bengal in January, 2007. Besides, he also participated as a resource person in our Management Development Programme held in 2007 and many international seminars organized since then in Kolkata by the IAA Research Foundation.

On behalf of the members of the IAA Research Foundation, we congratulate Professor Shyam Sunder for receiving the Outstanding Accounting Educator Award (2013) of the AAA. We wish him good health and long life.

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