

PRESS RELEASE

FAST India Honors Shri Baba Kalyani with the Industry Science Leader Award 2025

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FAST (Foundation for Advancing Science and Technology) proudly conferred the Industry Science Leader Award 2025 upon Shri Baba Kalyani, Chairman and Managing Director of Bharat Forge, at the India Science Festival. This prestigious award recognizes his extraordinary contributions to advancing India's industrial and technological ecosystem.

Shri Kalyani has transformed Bharat Forge into a global leader in engineering and manufacturing by integrating cutting-edge technologies and prioritizing research and innovation. Beyond his leadership at Bharat Forge, he has championed initiatives to strengthen India's R&D ecosystem, supported industry-academia collaborations, and invested in skill development to empower young innovators.

A strong advocate for sustainability, Shri Kalyani's efforts in green energy and advanced manufacturing have positioned India as a global leader in responsible industrial practices. As a member of the Prime Minister's Science, Technology, and Innovation Council, he has played a pivotal role in shaping India's science and technology policies.

The award ceremony featured congratulatory messages from prominent figures, including Dr. Ajay Sood, Principal Scientific Advisor to the Government of India; Ajai Chowdhry, Co-founder of HCL Technologies; and Jayant Patil, Senior Executive Vice President (Defence & Smart Technologies), L&T. Each emphasized Shri Kalyani's unparalleled vision and dedication to strengthening India's industrial and technological landscape.

Shri Baba Kalyani's recognition as the Industry Science Leader 2025 not only celebrates his numerous achievements but also honors his unwavering commitment to shaping India's future as a global leader in science, technology, and sustainability.

About FAST India:

The Foundation for Advancing Science and Technology (FAST India) is a non-profit trust dedicated to advancing Science and Technology (S&T) in India. The initiative is led by Ashish Dhawan (Founder, The Convergence Foundation) and Varun Aggarwal (Founder, Aspiring Minds and The Change Engine). FAST India is supported by a distinguished Board of Advisors, including luminaries such as Prof. Tarun Khanna (Jorge Paulo Lemann Professor, Harvard Business School), Prof. K. VijayRaghavan (Former Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India), and Dr. Soumya Swaminathan (Former Chief Scientist, WHO).

About India Science Festival (ISF):

The India Science Festival (ISF), hosted annually by FAST India, celebrates science and technology while fostering public engagement with the scientific community. With a mission to inspire and nurture an appreciation for science among young people and the general public, ISF acts as a catalyst for scientific curiosity and learning.

Beyond celebration, ISF serves as a unifying platform that breaks down barriers in the scientific ecosystem by bringing together diverse stakeholders. By building a robust public narrative for science and technology, ISF aims to place S&T at the forefront of India's public imagination.

For further details on ISF 2025, visit <https://www.indiasciencefest.org>. Learn more about FAST India and its initiatives at <https://www.fast-india.org>.