

MR. DARIUS FORBES

- An Industrialist



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Mr. Forbes was born on 2nd Oct. 1926 in Bombay in a family of lawyers, and was educated in Madras.

He is a specialist in Energy Conservation and Efficient use of process steam and fuel. Having pioneered the concept of energy efficiency in late forties, he surveyed over a hundred steam-using industries, saving valuable fuel and improving process steam usage. He started manufacture of industrial and medical instruments in a garage in Bombay, and ultimately set the pace for industrial development in Pimpri-Chinchwad, which is today most developed industrial area in the country.

He has spent his lifetime with J. N. Marshall Ltd. (Now Forbes Marshall) which has earned a unique place in the fields of steam engineering, control and

instrumentation, energy conservation and industry - institute - interaction. Incidentally, Forbess Marshall is completing 50 years of its proud existence this September. Mr. Forbes retired as Managing Director in October 1984 and as chairman Emeritus, is currently associated with the group in an honorary capacity. Even today he is the most popular Philanthropist - Industrialist in Pune region.

A firm Believer in organised industry providing Assistance to society, Forbes Marshall has a 22-Bedded Medicare Centre in Kasarwadi with a daily attendance of 100 out patients. It also provides health care to the 66,000 Residents of Kasarwadi.

For the past twenty-five years, Forbes Marshall is operating a Community Development Centre which provides to women excellent occupational care like hygiene, sanitation, education, tailoring, balanced diet habits. Besides, a Vocational Training Centre was also established by Forbess Marshall. This Centre has trained a few hundred youngsters in skills such as welding, carpentry, fitting etc..

Mr. Forbes is keen that industry uses its organisation skills in working

closely with the local civic bodies to provide its expertise in planning and effectively carrying out various civic amenities for the citizens.

Mr Forbes' keen involvement in education and training, genuine love for animals and birds and strong belief in cleanliness are too wellknown to need any mention. His enthusiasm in life is something extraordinary.

He has been the past president of :-

- Mahratta Chamber of Commerce & Industry

- The IIM Ahmedabad Alumni Association
- The Poona Chapter of Indian Society of Training & Development
- Instrument Society of India

He is currently on the governing councils of the KEM Hospital, Pune, and Dastur School Trust. He is also a Founder Director of The Bombay Community Trust - A Philanthropic Trust set up for Welfare of the Metropolis of Greater Bombay.

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