

• BRIEF BIO SHIVANAND KANAVI

- Former **Vice President** of IT giant **TCS**, **Shivanand Kanavi** is currently **Adjunct Faculty in the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bengaluru**. He was born in Dharwad, Karnataka in 1953, in a family of highly accomplished Kannada writers. He is a theoretical physicist from **IIT Kanpur** and **Northeastern University, Boston** and has carried out research at **IIT Bombay** as well. He has published several research papers in peer reviewed international journals.
- After a teaching and academic work in Theoretical Physics at **Northeastern University, Boston; IIT Bombay and Bombay University**, Shivanand became an **Economic Consultant (1984-91)** and later turned to **Business Journalism (1992-2004)** and finally he worked in the corporate sector as **Vice President** in **TCS** for about ten years (2004-2013).
- He has widely traveled in India, US, Canada, Mexico, UK, France, Germany, China, Japan, Italy, Poland, Czech Republic, Kazakhstan, Taiwan, Singapore etc.
- Shivanand has authored a highly acclaimed book "**Sand to Silicon: The amazing story of digital technology**" (Tata McGraw-Hill 2004; Rupa & Co. 2006). The book was highly appreciated by leading scientists and technologists across the world including former **President of India Dr A P J Abdul Kalam**. The book has been translated and published in Kannada by the Govt of Karnataka. “**ಡಿಜಿಟಲ್ ಕ್ರಾಂತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಭಾರತ**”, ಕುವೆಂಪು ಭಾಷಾ ಭಾರತಿ (೨೦೦೬). It is being currently translated into Marathi and Bengali.
- He has edited a book “**Research by Design: Innovation and TCS**” (2007). The book was released in Feb 2007 by the then **President of India, Dr A P J Abdul Kalam**.
- Shivanand is one of the most knowledgeable writers on Indian IT, Manufacturing, Nuclear and Space programmes. He has been widely quoted in Indian and international press as a subject expert.
- He was awarded the **Madhu Valluri Award for Journalism** for the year 2004.
- He has been lecturing widely in IITs, NIAS, IISc, IEEE, TIFR, AIR, TV etc.
- Besides Science & Technology and Indian Industry, his interests include political economy, Indian history, darshanas. He continues to contribute columns frequently in the media.

