

Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw

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A successful technocrat of global standing, Ms Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw heads India's leading biopharmaceutical enterprise, Biocon. She is highly respected in the corporate world and has been named among TIME magazine's '100 Most Influential People in the World.' She has also featured in Fierce Biotech's list of 'World's 25 Most Influential People in Biopharma' and is recognized among Forbes '100 Most Powerful Women' globally. U.S.-based Chemical Heritage Foundation recently conferred Ms Mazumdar-Shaw with the '2014 Othmer Gold Medal' and Germany-based Kiel Institute for the World Economy awarded her its coveted '2014 Global Economy Prize' for Business. Her most cherished awards are the national awards, PADMA SHRI (1989) and PADMA BHUSHAN (2005), presented to her by the President of India for her pioneering efforts in biotechnology.

Under her stewardship, Biocon has evolved from its inception in 1978 as an industrial enzymes company to a fully integrated innovation-led Biopharmaceutical enterprise committed to reduce therapy costs of chronic diseases like autoimmune, diabetes and cancer. As an emerging global biopharmaceutical enterprise, serving customers in over 85 countries through innovative products and research services, it is enabling access to affordable healthcare for patients, partners and healthcare systems across the globe. It has successfully developed and taken a range of novel biologics, biosimilars, differentiated small molecules and affordable recombinant human insulin and analogs from 'Lab to Market'. It has a rich pipeline of biosimilars and novel biologics at various stages of development, including a high potential oral insulin.

Ms Mazumdar-Shaw's commitment to affordable healthcare extends beyond business. She is passionately focused on innovation-led healthcare solutions for sustainable and affordable healthcare for the marginalized communities. Her philanthropic initiatives include an innovative microhealth insurance program based on delivering cashless healthcare through primary healthcare clinics in rural areas of Karnataka, an education initiative based on math education for school children in government schools as well as making quality cancer care affordable to a larger patient population. She has established the 1,400-bed Mazumdar-Shaw Cancer Center (MSCC) in Bangalore in partnership with renowned heart surgeon Dr Devi Shetty to deliver affordable world-class cancer care services to patients irrespective of socio-economic status.

More recently she has also established the Mazumdar Shaw Center for Translational Research (MSCTR), a non-profit research institute dedicated to developing scientific breakthroughs resulting in more effective treatments for a wide range of human diseases and conditions. Ms Mazumdar-Shaw is also focusing on ensuring access to affordable healthcare for the marginalized communities through telemedicine initiatives like eLaaj, preventive screenings for oral and cervical cancer etc.