



**K. Muraleedharan**  
FOUNDER & CHAIRMAN

Muraleedharan's career in the UAE began 38 years ago as the accountant of a company from where he rose to partner within a short time span. Pursuing his entrepreneurial instincts, he ventured into business with the establishment of SFC Plus. Since then his core focus has been setting up a core team of leaders while front running their business growth including the launch of India Palace, a fine dining chain of restaurants that was recently honoured with HH Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum's Dubai Service Excellence Award for the best brand in the UAE.

With lateral growth in mind, Muraleedharan has started to nurture his business interests in India by launching hotels and quick service restaurants as well as expanding into various new sectors under the Muralya Holdings banner. Muraleedharan, inspired by his agrarian upbringing, has rekindled his passion for agriculture by investing in dairy development, a key focus of which will be generating mass employment opportunities and significantly impacting the local economies.

Muraleedharan is a passionate philanthropist. He independently established and solely funds the Muralya Foundation under which he works towards the uplift of the weaker segments of society.

His entrepreneurial achievements and social commitments have been applauded with accolades both abroad and in India, a few of which include recognition by 'Forbes Group' as 'One of the Prominent Indian Leaders in the Arab world' successively in 2013 and 2014. A public voting nomination led to the title of "NRI of the Year – 2014" jointly from Time Now TV and Ernst and Young for his philanthropic contributions in India.

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