

Recently Mr. Clark also announced the appointment of Dr. M.G.K. Menon to the Board of Governors of IDRC.

Dr. M.G.K. Menon is the science adviser to Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and a member of India's Planning Commission. Dr. Menon's career in physics includes 20 years with the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, nine years as director. He was scientific adviser to the Ministry of Defence from 1974 to 1978, after which he was appointed director-general of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (to 1981), secretary to the National Department of Science and Technology (to 1982) and chairman of the Committee for Additional Sources of Energy (1981 to 1982). Dr. Menon is the recipient of many awards for science, including the Khaitan Medal (Royal Asiatic Society, 1973) and the GP Challenge Award (Indian Science Congress Association, 1984), and holds many honorary doctorates and fellowships.

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