



Winners of the NDTV Gulf Indian Excellence Awards held in Dubai earlier this week. — Supplied photo

Prominent Indian business leaders of UAE honoured for excellence

Staff Report

DUBAI—Several of the UAE's most prominent Indian businesspeople were honoured at the NDTV Gulf Indian Excellence Awards held in Dubai earlier this week.

Hosted by India's leading TV news channel NDTV, the ceremony was supported by *Khaleej Times* as a Print Media Partner, and was attended by leading Indian and international business representatives as well as professionals from across the Gulf region.

The awards were presented under five categories: Transformational Business Leaders, Strategic Innovators of the Year, Creative

Entrepreneurs of the Year, Business Innovators and Global Business Leaders.

Among the Global Business Leaders honoured for excellence in their respective domains were, in alphabetic order, Adeeab Ahmed, CEO, LuLu International Exchange; Yusuff Ali M.A., Chairman, Lulu Group; Micky Jagtiani, Chairman, Landmark Group; Thumbay Moideen, President, Thumbay Group; Shaji Ul Mulk, Chairman, Mulk Holdings; Rizwan Sajjan, Chairman, Danube Group; B.R. Shetty, Chairman, NMC Healthcare; and Sunil Vaswani, Chairman, Stallion Group. The event also saw NDTV presenters host

three panel discussions with some of the prominent honourees and business representatives.

The first panel discussion, titled "Time to Bridge the Gulf," was moderated by NDTV presenter Vishnu Som and participants included Thumbay Moideen, President, Thumbay Group; Shaji Ul Mulk, Chairman, Mulk Holdings, Kulwant Singh, President, IBPC; and a *Khaleej Times* editorial representative. The discussion touched upon the various subjects where the UAE and India share a common interest, and explored ways to convert mutual relations into a strategic partnership. A second panel dis-

ussion hosted by NDTV anchor Manisha Natarajan saw panelists B.R. Shetty, Chairman, NMC Healthcare; Ram Buxani, President, ITL Group; and Harshad Mehta, Founder & Chairman, 7CS, share their views on the topic 'Heralding the UAE-India partnership in a new era'.

The event also saw Majed Al Suwaidi, Managing Director, Studio City; and Avi Bhojani, Group CEO, Bates Pangulf, discuss the reasons behind Dubai's emergence as leading destination for international moviemakers.

See khaleejtimes.com for the complete list of winners — business@khaleejtimes.com