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K.R. “Ravi” Ravindran, a distinguished business leader from Colombo, Sri Lanka, served as the 105th President of Rotary International during the 2015-2016 term, marking the first time a Sri Lankan held this prestigious position. As a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo since 1974, Ravindran has been deeply committed to Rotary’s mission of humanitarian service.

Professionally, Ravindran is the founder and CEO of Printcare PLC, a publicly listed company recognized as a global leader in the tea packaging industry. Under his leadership, Printcare has garnered numerous national and international accolades for excellence. Beyond his corporate endeavors, he has contributed to various boards and charitable trusts, including serving as the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti-Narcotics Association, the nation’s leading anti-narcotics organization.

During Sri Lanka’s civil unrest, Ravindran played a pivotal role as the national PolioPlus chair, leading a task force comprising government officials, UNICEF, and Rotary representatives. His efforts were instrumental in negotiating a ceasefire with northern militants, facilitating National Immunization Days, and contributing to Sri Lanka becoming polio-free in 1994.

In the aftermath of the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, Ravindran chaired the Schools Reawakening project, successfully raising over \$12 million to rebuild 25 schools, benefiting nearly 15,000 children.

Throughout his Rotary tenure, Ravindran has held numerous leadership roles, including RI treasurer, director, and Foundation trustee. He and his wife, Vanathy, are Level 4 Major Donors to The Rotary Foundation, reflecting their deep commitment to Rotary's philanthropic initiatives

Ravindran's leadership and dedication continue to inspire Rotarians worldwide, exemplifying a steadfast commitment to service and humanitarian efforts.