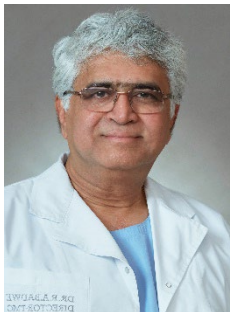


## **Rajendra Achyut Badwe**

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Dr Rajendra Achyut Badwe is Director of the Tata Memorial Centre, the oldest and largest centre in India. He has worked in cancer treatment, education and research for over three decades, and has been instrumental in transforming the face of cancer care in India. He works to improve outcomes of treatment through initiatives in public health, new discoveries, innovative research and long-term vision, including the establishment of six new cancer centres in various parts of the country, quadrupling the capacity of the Tata Memorial Centre to treat patients and provide high quality cancer care at patients' doorsteps.

He has contributed to public health initiatives for cancer control and advocated against tobacco, which led to bans on chewed tobacco in several states of India and promotes healthy lifestyle including increased physical activity and prevention of obesity — tobacco and obesity being the most common risk factors for cancer. His research has focused on finding innovative, low-cost solutions that can be readily implemented in resource-poor countries.