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Arvind Mahajan graduated from the Delhi Public School in 1969, receiving education initially in tents and eventually in first rate physical facilities. He earned B.Com. (Honors) from the Hindu College in 1972, M.B.A. from the University of Scranton in 1975 and Ph.D. from the Georgia State University in 1980.

Dr. Mahajan currently holds the endowed Lamar Savings Professorship and is Professor of Finance and Mays Faculty Fellow at Texas A&M University. He is the Director of the Aggies on Wall Street Program and has served as the Associate Director of the Center for International Business Studies as well as of the federally funded Center for International Business Education and Research. He has served on the faculties of many universities as Honorary Visiting Professor including IIT (Delhi, 2003-2008), Johannes Kepler Universität, Linz, Austria (1992-2006), Group Ecole Supérieure de Commerce, Rennes as well as Dijon in France, among others. He has presented his research papers at more than a hundred international conferences and universities around the world.

He specializes in the areas of international and corporate finance and his articles have appeared in leading finance journals such as the *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *Journal of Financial Research*, *Journal of International Business Studies*, among others. He is associate editor or on the editorial boards of the *Journal of International Business Studies*, *Global Finance Journal*, *Journal of Asia-Pacific Business* and *Journal of Global Business and Competitiveness* and was Associate Editor of *Journal of Multinational Financial Management*, *Journal of International Finance* and *North American Journal of Economics and Finance*. He was Vice President of the North American Economics and Finance Association and has served many major finance and international business academic associations in various leadership capacities. He has also served on the Fulbright Scholars Awards Advisory Committee in Washington, D.C.

Professor Mahajan's many research and teaching related recognitions include the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Scranton, the George H.W. Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in International Teaching (presented by the US President and Mrs. Barbara Bush), Texas A&M University Honors Program Teacher-Scholar Award, the Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University's Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching as well as its Distinguished Teaching Award, the MBA Association's Dan Robertson Outstanding Faculty Award and has twice been given the Executive MBA Faculty Recognition Award.

The *Wall Street Journal* recently named him one of the most effective professors in its survey of all major Executive MBA programs in the world. His extensive industry experience includes serving as full time Senior Consultant to Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company of New York, and he has conducted numerous seminars for senior executives of major public and private sector organizations in Europe, Asia and the Americas. His biography continues appearing in numerous Who's Who publications in the US and Europe for more than two decades.

Never forgetting the motto "Service Before Self," Arvind has actively volunteered in the community he lives in and has generously given to issues important to him: young people's intellectual and physical development and wellbeing. He was President of the Coalition of Support for Public Schools, a grass root but influential activist group affecting policies in schools as well as congressional action in the Texas Legislature. Arvind continues to serve on many policy planning committees of the College Station Independent School District. He is married to Vanita, also a faculty member at Texas A&M University; they have one son who is graduating from Princeton University next month and one daughter who attends the University of Texas in Austin.

Notwithstanding his thirty-five years residing in the US, his bonds to India have anything but diluted. Despite significant demands on his time, he visits India at least twice and occasionally four times every year. And on virtually every visit, he tries to give back by conducting *gratis* seminars for corporate executives or sharing his research results at institutions like the IIT, IIM, Delhi School of Economics, IIFT, STC, etc. But his most pleasurable, fondest and "funnest" experience is the substantive time which he spends on each and every trip with his closest friends who happen to be his fellow Dipsites, reliving his youth again. Delhi Public School has evolved from a "tent" school to a major global brand franchise. Given his experience and that of his fellow Dipsites, it's not difficult to understand why!