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Dr. G.S. Umamaheswara Rao is a distinguished Senior Professor in Neuroanaesthesia and Neurocritical Care with nearly four decades of experience at the prestigious National Institute of Mental Health & Neurosciences (NIMHANS), Bangalore. After completing his medical education, including an M.D. in Anaesthesiology at Sri Venkateswara Medical College, Tirupati, he embarked on a career dedicated to advancing neuroanaesthesia and neurocritical care. Dr. Rao served NIMHANS from 1982 until his retirement in 2020, leaving a legacy of excellence in clinical practice, research, and education.

Dr. Rao has undertaken specialized training internationally, including a one-year fellowship in Surgical Intensive Care at La Pitié Salpétrière Hospital, Paris, and a visit to the University of Western Ontario in Canada. His commitment to education and mentorship has been widely recognized, notably with the prestigious Dr. B.C. Roy National Award for Best Medical Teacher in 2016 and the Distinguished Teacher Award from the Indian Society of Neuroanaesthesiology and Critical Care in 2023. He was responsible for starting several courses in the department notably DM in Neuroanaesthesia, PDF in Neuroanaesthesia, PDF in Neurocritical Care and B.Sc. Anaesthesia Technology.

Dr. Rao's contributions to neuroanaesthesia are reflected not only in his clinical expertise and the number of scientific publications but also in his impact on generations of medical professionals, establishing him as a respected figure in his field.