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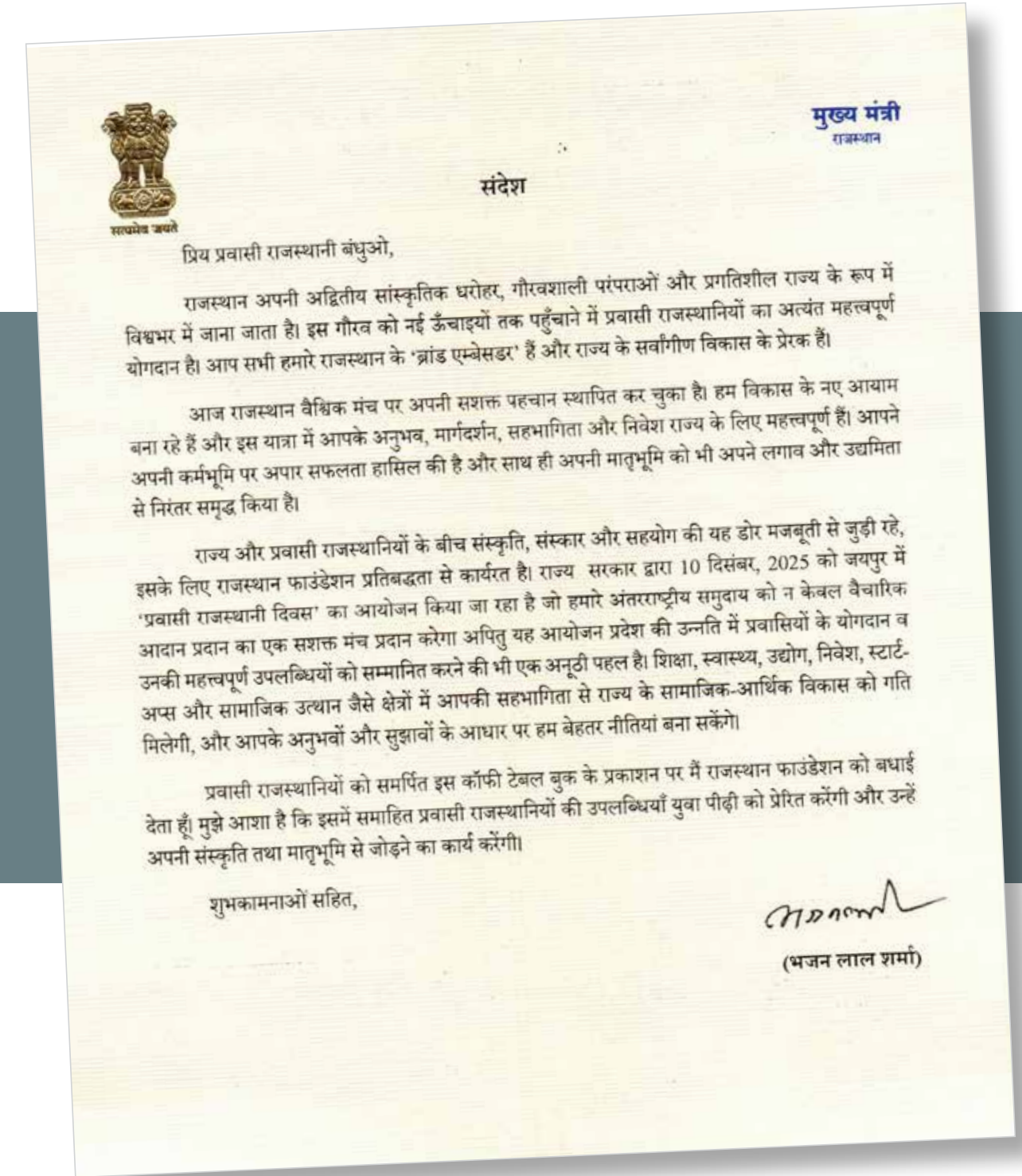
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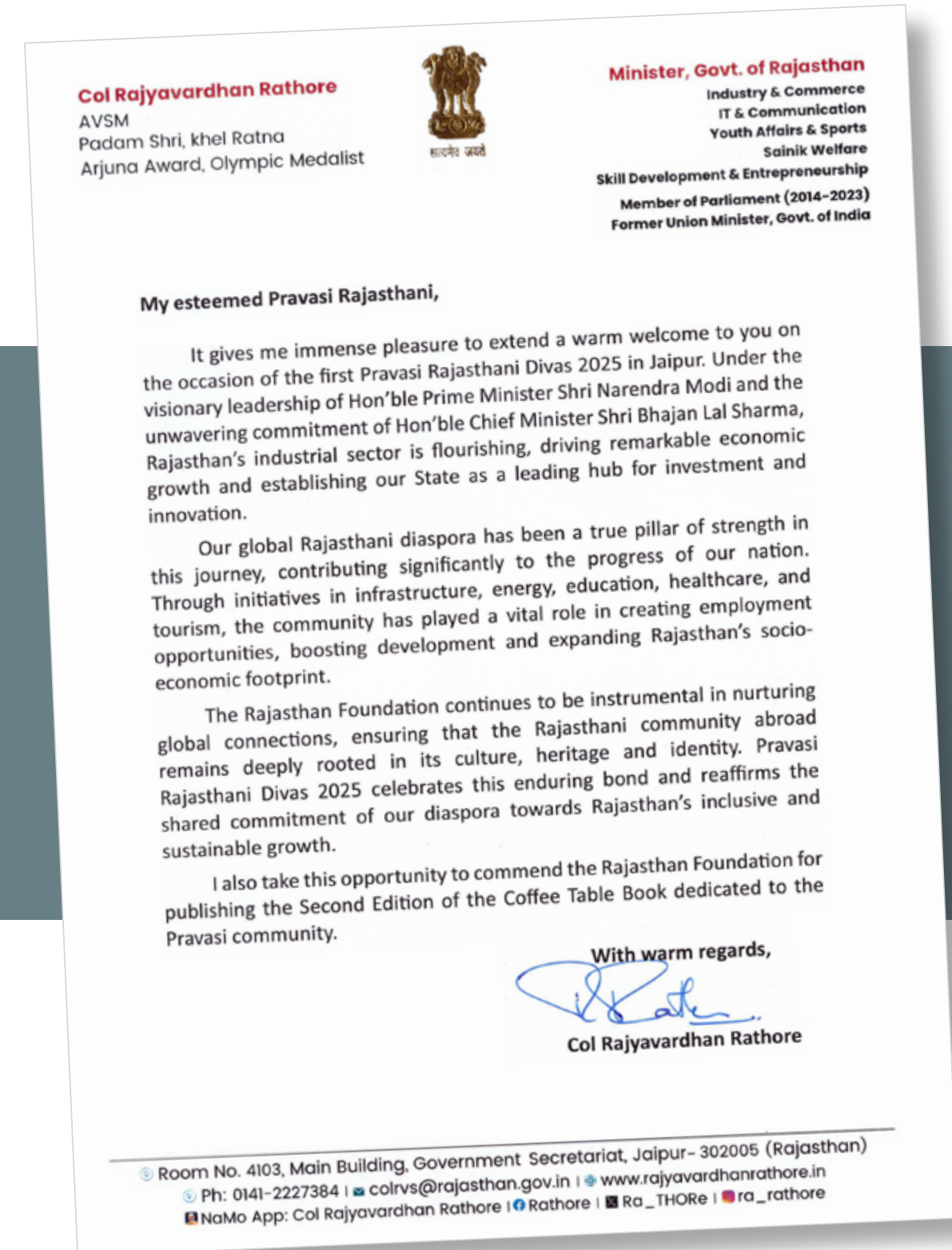
From the desk of  
**Hon'ble Chief Minister,  
Rajasthan**

**Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma**





From the desk of  
**Hon'ble Minister,  
 Industries & Commerce,  
 Rajasthan**  
**Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore**





From the desk of  
**Hon'ble Minister of State,  
 Industries & Commerce,  
 Rajasthan**  
**Shri K.K. Vishnoi**

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प्रिय राजस्थानी प्रवासियों,

राजस्थान फाउंडेशन द्वारा प्रवासी राजस्थानियों को समर्पित कॉफी टेबल बुक के द्वितीय संस्करण के माध्यम से आप से जुड़ कर मुझे अत्यंत हर्ष और गर्व की अनुभूति हो रही है।

आप सभी हमारे प्रदेश का गौरव हैं और उसकी पहचान हैं। जहाँ भी आप रहते हैं, अपनी मेहनत, प्रतिभा और संस्कारों से राजस्थान का नाम ऊँचाइयों तक पहुँचाते हैं। आपका योगदान हमारी मातृभूमि की प्रगति और समृद्धि की मजबूत नींव है।

प्रवासी बंधुओं ने हमेशा राजस्थान की संस्कृति, परंपराओं और विकास में अहम भूमिका निभाई है। विदेशों और अन्य राज्यों में रह कर आपने अपनी लगन और कर्मठता से प्रदेश की प्रतिष्ठा को नई दिशा दी है।

माननीय मुख्यमंत्री जी के प्रवासियों एवं राज्य के हित में लिए गए निर्णयों के कारण देश विदेश में राजस्थान फाउंडेशन के 26 चैप्टर्स क्रियाशील हो गए हैं जो एक ऐतिहासिक पहल है। इससे राज्य सरकार का प्रवासी राजस्थानी समुदाय के साथ जुड़ाव और सुदृढ़ होगा तथा हमसब मिलकर प्रदेश को मॉडल राज्य बनाने की दिशा में कार्य करेंगे।

दिसंबर माह में आयोज्य प्रवासी राजस्थानी दिवस सम्मेलन आपके अनुभवों और विचारों को साझा करने का एक महत्वपूर्ण अवसर है, जो राजस्थान को नई ऊर्जा और अवसर देने में सहायक होगा।

यह कॉफी टेबल बुक आपकी उपलब्धियों और अनुभवों का एक बेहतरीन संग्रह है जो सभी के लिए प्रेरणा का स्रोत है। मैं राजस्थान फाउंडेशन के इस प्रयास की सराहना करता हूँ और आप सब को बधाई एवं शुभकामनाएँ देता हूँ।

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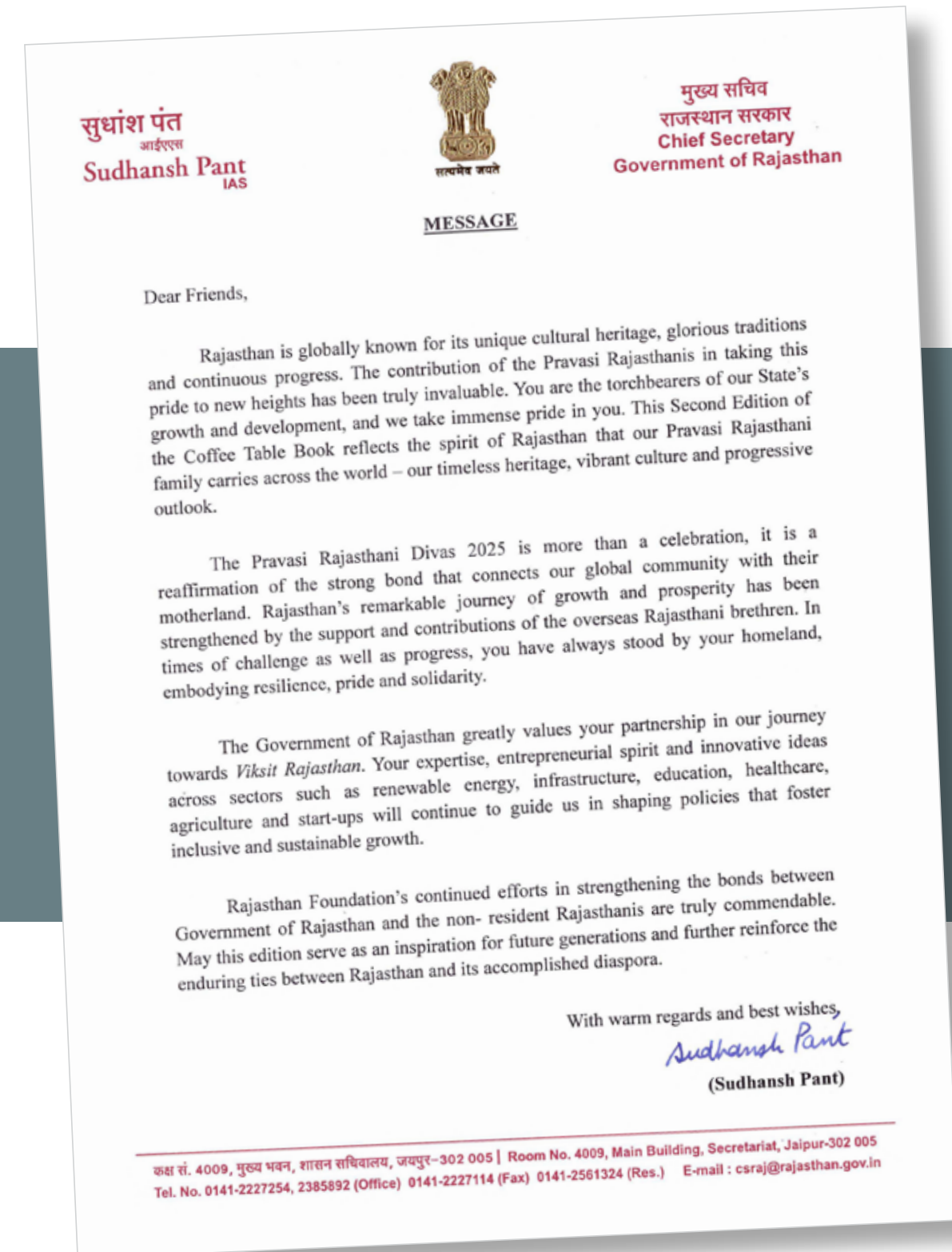
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 जय राजस्थान।

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From the desk of  
**Chief Secretary,  
Rajasthan**

**Shri Sudhansh Pant, I.A.S.**





From the desk of  
**Principal Secretary,  
 Department of Industries  
 & Commerce, Rajasthan**  
**Shri Alok Gupta, I.A.S.**

**Alok Gupta**  
 I.A.S.



Principal Secretary to Government  
 Department of Industries, Micro, Small &  
 Medium Enterprise (M.S.M.E.), State Enterprises  
 Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor & O.S.D., BIDA,  
 Investment, NRIs & BIP  
 Government of Rajasthan

**Dear Pravaasi Friends,**

It is with great pleasure that I share with you the Second Edition of the Coffee Table Book brought out by the Rajasthan Foundation for our esteemed Pravasi Rajasthani community. More than a publication, this edition stands as a vibrant tribute to the accomplishments, cultural legacy and inspiring journeys of our overseas Rajasthanis, whose contributions continue to glorify the State across the globe.

The Rajasthan Foundation is consistently working towards strengthening the bonds between the State Government and our global family. Its initiatives have brought Rajasthanis from across the world closer to their roots, re-affirming their sense of belonging and shared identity. Today, the Rajasthani associations across India and abroad stand as symbols of unity, service and cultural pride, upholding the values that define our State and the Nation.

We owe our sincere gratitude to Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma, under whose visionary leadership, the role of the Rajasthan Foundation has expanded immensely. Building on the momentum of the Pravasi Rajasthani Divas 2025, this year's initiatives provide renewed opportunities for our diaspora to engage with the State in meaningful ways—whether through investment, knowledge sharing or cultural exchange.

As we look to the future, I am confident that your active participation and partnership will help us unfold new opportunities and take Rajasthan to even greater heights.

With best regards,

  
 (Alok Gupta)



From the desk of  
**Commissioner,  
Rajasthan Foundation,  
Rajasthan**  
**Dr Manisha Arora, I.A.S.**

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Message

Dear Friends,

It is with great pride that we present the Second Edition of the Coffee Table Book dedicated to our global Pravasi Rajasthani family. The stories featured in this publication reflect not only personal success but also a strong sense of identity. These individuals exemplify the values of adaptability, integrity and cultural rootedness that continue to define the Rajasthani spirit in every part of the world.

The resolve of the Honourable Chief Minister of Rajasthan Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma ji to deepen engagement with the Non-Resident Rajasthani family has given a renewed direction to the work of the Rajasthan Foundation. What began as a platform for connection has matured into a global network that is both deeply rooted and forward-looking. With 26 chapters—14 within India and 12 overseas—the Rajasthan Foundation continues to serve as a meaningful bridge between the State and its diaspora.

Over the past year, the Rajasthan Foundation has focused on building lasting institutional frameworks that facilitate dialogue, encourage collaboration and recognise excellence. Initiatives such as the Knowledge Series, the Membership Drive, the Pravasi Rajasthani Connect Programme in both physical and virtual formats, the introduction of the online chapter membership module and an expanded digital presence have all contributed to strengthening this ecosystem. The celebration of Pravasi Rajasthani Divas has further anchored this engagement in a spirit of recognition and continuity.

As Mahatma Gandhi observed, *“A nation’s culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people.”* This volume is a quiet affirmation of that idea. It is a tribute to those who carry Rajasthan with them through their work, their values and their commitment to community.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Honourable Industries Minister Colonel Rajyavardhan Rathore whose consistent encouragement and strategic guidance have strengthened the work of the Rajasthan Foundation in tangible ways.

We are thankful to the Chief Secretary of Rajasthan, Shri Sudhansh Pant, whose leadership, valuable insight and continued support have been integral to shaping Rajasthan Foundation’s trajectory. Special gratitude goes to the Principal Secretary, Industries, Shri Alok Gupta who always motivates us to strive for excellence in all our endeavours.

We are equally grateful to the many individuals whose achievements form the heart of this publication. Their willingness to share their experiences has added depth, dignity and meaning to this edition.

As we mark the celebration of Pravasi Rajasthani Divas 2025 and confer the Pravasi Rajasthani Samman Awards, may this Coffee Table Book serve as a reminder that wherever Rajasthanis go, they carry with them the legacy of a State that values excellence and honours its own.

Warm regards,

  
(Dr. Manisha Arora)

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## Publisher's Note



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### Carrying the Flame: Virasat Bhi, Vikas Bhi

As storytellers, we speak often of legacy. For us, legacy is more than just a collection of stories. It is a living, breathing force, defined not solely by the lifetime of one extraordinary spirit, but by its passage from generation to generation—like a sacred flame that withstands the passage of time. Its form may change, its shape may shift, but its essence remains untouched. That is legacy, and it endures.

For decades, our beloved Founder and Chairman, the late Shri Chandmal Kumawat, was both the principal architect and proud custodian of Maneesh Media's legacy.

The inaugural edition of Rajasthan Foundation's special book – Virasat Se Vikas Tak – was initiated under his wise guidance. As a son of Rajasthan, he saw in it an evolving macrocosm that held within it the duality of strong cultural foundations and the momentum of modern progress, fuelled by its people.

We are grateful to the Government of Rajasthan and the Rajasthan Foundation for entrusting us with this monumental epoch-making project for the second time, allowing us to carry forward Chandmal sir's profound vision.

We remain steadfast in our conviction that true development does not mean choosing between past and present. It is about building the future upon the solid foundations of the past.

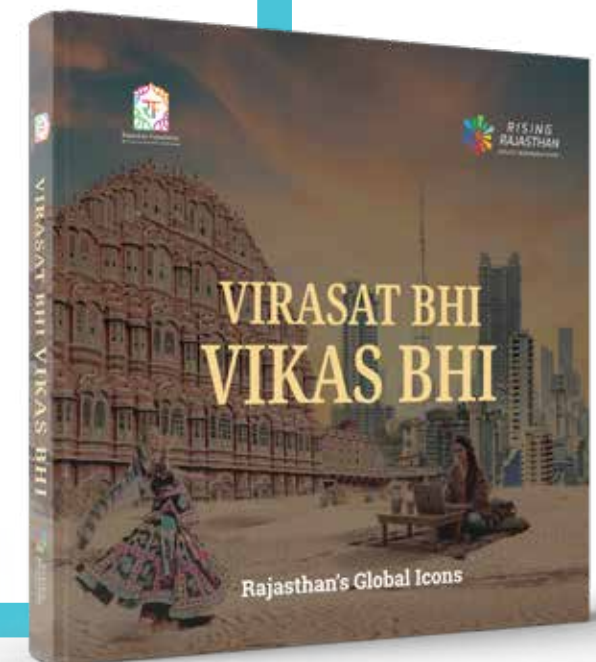
His passing does not signify the end of the story he dedicated his life to telling. We, the team he built and inspired, are now the bearers of that sacred trust. This second edition – Virasat Bhi, Vikas Bhi – is part of that unbroken chain, bringing extraordinary stories of individuals to the fore.

At the heart of this edition are the people of Rajasthan. They are the visionaries—the doctors, engineers, business leaders, innovators, and changemakers—who are scripting a new legacy of progress. The Rajasthani diaspora, thriving in every corner of the globe, serve as a living bridge, connecting the timeless wisdom of their homeland with the dynamic pulse of the world. Meanwhile, those who have chosen to build their lives within the state's vibrant borders remain the steadfast guardians of its culture and the engines of its grassroots growth. Together, they narrate the grand story of a vibrant, culturally rich, and progressive Rajasthan.

This book is our endeavour to capture that magnificent tapestry. We leave you with the wise words of the legendary storyteller Vijaydan Detha, known as 'Bijji', who rightly observed that the true history of this land is not confined to the stone of its forts, but lives and breathes in its folklore and in the everyday wisdom of its people. It is this living tradition that we celebrate in Virasat Bhi, Vikas Bhi.

May its bright light guide you, dear readers, towards your own horizons of progress.

The Maneesh Media Team



# RAJASTHAN: A CONFLUENCE OF LEGACY, CULTURE AND OPPORTUNITIES



*Rajasthan Foundation's domestic and global network is the beating heart of its success, each chapter a vital link for the diaspora to connect with their homeland. Its 26 chapters across India and the world serve as hubs for cultural celebration, community engagement and economic collaboration. In India, chapters are Delhi, Pune, Ranchi, Guwahati, Bhubaneswar, Indore, Mumbai, Chennai, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Coimbatore, Kolkata and Surat. International chapters extend from New York, London to Doha, Dubai, Munich, Riyadh, Tokyo, Singapore, Melbourne, Nairobi, Kathmandu and Kampala.*



When you live far away from your hometown, you often feel the need for an anchor that keeps you connected to your roots. Rajasthan Foundation (RF) is that anchor for its diaspora.

It satiates your nostalgia, giving a sense of belonging and connection to your culture and history. However, do not mistake it for just a platform. It

is more than that – a potent force that inspires you to give back to the place that shaped your identity. By creating opportunities for investment, collaboration, and cultural exchange, the Foundation transforms nostalgia into meaningful action. Through its chapters across India and the world, the Foundation ensures that every Rajasthani living abroad has a pathway to stay connected. In

doing so, it sustains Rajasthan's spirit globally and strengthens a shared pride that transcends borders.

**A Strategic Beginning**

The Foundation's establishment was a well-thought-out initiative by the Rajasthan government. Recognising that India's overseas diaspora was becoming a key global economic player. Quick

to capitalise on this, the government established the Rajasthan Foundation in 2001 under the Rajasthan Societies Registration Act of 1860. Though government-run, the Foundation combines political vision with professional administration under the Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma, who also chairs the Foundation and guides its strategy.

Leading its daily operations is Commissioner Dr. Manisha Arora. Under her stewardship, the Foundation has evolved into a multi-faceted link between the state and its diaspora. As Commissioner, she has modernised its approach through digital platforms, structured membership modules, and inclusive initiatives. Her leadership consistently prioritises cultural preservation, women's participation, and global connectivity. A Governing Body of ministers, senior officials, and eminent personalities provides oversight.

**Global Footprint, Global Impact**

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Rajasthan Foundation is more than a custodian of history; it is a bridge for collaborative progress.

Its initiatives reflect its commitment to preserving Rajasthan's rich culture, empowering communities, and fostering development, through Pravasi Rajasthani Meets, cultural workshops, and the Pearls of RRF scholarship, which supports female students and promotes gender equality. Economic engagement has been enhanced through diaspora-focused conclaves such as the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit 2024, where landmark initiatives included a dedicated diaspora welfare department, Pravasi Rajasthani Samman Awards, and single Points of Contact for diaspora issues in every district.

Kathmandu and Kampala. Together, these chapters form a cohesive global network, connecting the diaspora with their roots while enabling cultural exchange, networking and investment opportunities.

These chapters are far more than symbolic outposts; they actively assist the diaspora with issue resolution, host cultural festivals, organise business summits, and facilitate investment opportunities.

To sum it up, Rajasthan Foundation's goal is extraordinary – projecting the strength of the state's culture, education, and potential on the global stage, making it a key instrument in Rajasthan's prosperity and progress.

# Featured Personalities

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# ABHISHEK JAIN

## A Strategist’s Mind with a Mentor’s Heart

### Who is Abhishek Jain:

A master strategist, a generous mentor, a global professional.

### His Mission Statement:

To simplify complex taxation landscapes and empower businesses worldwide with clarity, compliance and confidence.



Abhishek Jain may have swapped the sands of Rajasthan for the dunes of Qatar, but he remains rooted in his values even as he rides the waves of international success in tax advisory. Originally from Khandela in the Sikar district of Rajasthan, where his family still resides, Jain has taken his lessons in integrity and perseverance and turned them into the cornerstone of his professional ethos. With over 18 years of extensive experience in providing corporate tax compliance and advisory services to leading domestic and international companies, the 43-year-old Jain is an inspiration to aspiring professionals everywhere. Today, he is the Chapter President, Rajasthan Foundation, Doha, Qatar.

### Architect of Tax Compliance & Advisory

Jain’s financial acumen has significantly shaped his career trajectory. During his management tenure at KPMG Qatar, he successfully led the Direct Tax service line. Jain has built a reputation for delivering complex projects within constricted timelines without compromising on the standards.

He can deftly decode corporate tax, withholding tax and comprehensive tax among other jargons with his expertise spanning critical global markets including the US, European Union, CIS countries and the Middle East. No wonder, he has earned himself the ‘sought-after’ advisor status among multinational corporations. His client work spans multiple sectors including financial services, construction, logistics, energy and retail, requiring both technical precision and strategic foresight.

### Calculated Advisor, Infinite Mentor

Jain is definitely as skilled as they come when it comes to traditional tax advisory. However, his skills extend beyond that to encompass strategic counsel on double taxation treaties, withholding tax issues and cross-border structuring. His detailed approach and acumen enables him to find innovative tax planning solutions that effectively minimise leakage while protecting profitability, and creating secure pathways for business growth.

Behind this astute finance expert, lies the gentle guru, who guides young professionals and teams, encouraging environments of learning and innovation. His leadership approach blends technical mastery with practical business understanding, making him not just an advisor but also a true partner in success stories, be it of young professionals or clients.



### The Jain Dossier

- **Tax Strategist:** 18+ years of corporate tax experience across the US, EU, CIS and Middle East
- **Industry Expert:** Advisory portfolio spanning financial services, logistics, energy, construction and retail
- **Global Leader:** Former management lead for Direct Tax Services at KPMG Qatar
- **Academic Credentials:** Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting & Taxation, Member of the IMA (US) and ICAI CA finalist

### The Achievements Brief

- Successfully led the Direct Tax service line at KPMG Qatar with distinction.
- Advised a multitude of multinational corporations on double taxation treaties and withholding tax issues.
- Successfully completed numerous tax due diligence and audit assignments, safeguarding client interests.
- Recognised for consistently delivering high-quality compliance and advisory solutions within tight deadlines.
- Acknowledged as a reliable thought leader in corporate tax planning across the Middle East and beyond.



## AJAY AGARWAL

# Balancing Ledgers, Enriching Lives

### Who is Ajay Agarwal:

The numbers guy, a giving mentor and philanthropist.

### His Mission Statement:

To unite financial excellence and human values, driving positive change across industries and communities.

At the relatively young age of 48, Ajay Agarwal has already accomplished much. He is at the helm of Rel Integral Accounting and Auditing Limited, a firm well recognised for its chartered accountancy, auditing and business advisory services in the UK and India. His portfolio spans start-ups to multinational corporations across industries such as IT, pharmaceuticals, oil, real estate, education, leisure, film production, insurance and charitable organisations. Hailing from Jaipur, Agarwal has made a mark for himself in a very competitive sector not just because of his financial wizardry but also his trustworthiness. It has enabled him to establish long-lasting collaborations with trade bodies, banks, private equity funds and high-net-worth individuals, be it in London or Jaipur. Today, he is the Chapter President of Rajasthan Foundation, London, UK.



### An Exemplary Mentor

He is a distinguished Fellow of both the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), UK and holds an MBA from the University of Wales. As the Chairperson of ICAI's UK chapter for nearly a decade, Agarwal was instrumental in its evolution as a professional body, expanding on its connectivity.

With experience comes wisdom and with wisdom comes responsibility to pass it on to the next generation. Having spent over two decades in the field, Agarwal embraces his role as a mentor with conviction, shaping a new generation of chartered accountants and financial professionals ready to navigate the intricacies of the global economy. His thought leadership has been featured in esteemed professional publications such as the Indian Chartered Accountant Journal and the UK Accountancy Magazine, where he has shared valuable insights on finance, governance and cross-border collaboration.

### Purpose Meets Progress

Agarwal has built a successful financial ecosystem that generates goodwill not only through his professional reputation but also through

his commitment to create social impact. He champions causes that support child education, healthcare, hunger alleviation, diabetes awareness, environmental sustainability and genetic research. As a Patron of the Bharat Jyoti School in Lucknow, he supports the education of nearly 100 underprivileged children, empowering them with opportunities to transform their futures.

He has also served as Treasurer and Board Member of the International Association of Human Values (IAHV) UK, a charity inspired by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar and dedicated to humanitarian projects worldwide.

Beyond conventional boundaries, Agarwal has distinguished himself in philanthropy by preserving and promoting the traditional Indian sport of Kho-Kho. As Director of Sports Promotion & Development with the Kho-Kho Federation of England, he is not only reviving this ancient sport, but also bringing India's cultural wealth to the global stage.

A resounding voice in the finance and accounting world, Agarwal has been a panellist on Zee Companion Insight, engaging in powerful debates on key financial issues that affect the UK and India.

### The Agarwal Dossier

- **Financial Maestro:** Founder of Rel Integral, advisor to industries, banks, trade bodies, private equity funds and high-net-worth individuals
- **Altruistic Mentor:** Patron of Bharat Jyoti School; past Treasurer of IAHV UK; advocate for causes spanning education, health, hunger relief and sustainability
- **Sports Advocate:** Director of Sports Promotion & Development at the Kho-Kho Federation of England
- **Thought Leader:** Published contributor to leading accountancy journals in India and the UK
- **Global Voice:** Featured on international media platforms, speaking on taxation and financial fairness

### The Achievements Brief

- Fellow Member, ICAI (India) & ACCA (UK)
- Chairman, ICAI UK Chapter (2010–2019) and current Mentor
- Treasurer & Board Member, IAHV UK
- Director, Kho-Kho Federation of England
- Author of professional articles; featured in Indian CA Journal and UK Accountancy Magazine

# AJAY AGARWAL

## Enterprise with Purpose

**Who is Ajay Agarwal:** A Jaipur-born industrialist and philanthropist shaping Odisha’s business and social landscape.

**His Mission Statement:** To blend enterprise and service, creating lasting impact in education, healthcare and community development.

Ajay Agarwal, born in Jaipur, is the son of the late Shri Ramdas Ji Agarwal, a three-term Rajya Sabha MP and national leader of the BJP, after whom Jaipur’s Ramdas Agarwal Marg is named. Completing his education in Odisha, he entered the family’s industrial ventures and soon emerged as a respected industrialist. His reach, however, extends far beyond business. In Odisha, he has become a leading figure in Rotary International, Friends of Tribals Society (FTS), and several charitable trusts, while also remaining deeply connected to Rajasthan as President of the Rajasthan Foundation Bhubaneswar Chapter. His leadership reflects both professional achievement and deep-rooted service to society.



**Rotary as a Force for Change**  
Ajay Agarwal has been at the forefront of Rotary International, serving as District Governor in Odisha and later as Endowment & Major Gift Advisor for Zone 6, covering ten states of India. His elevation as an Arch Klumph Society member marks the highest recognition for contributions to The Rotary Foundation. As President of the Bhubaneswar Chapter of Friends of Tribals Society, he expanded the network of Ekal Vidyalayas to over 4,500 schools, educating more than 80,000 children in Odisha. He now serves as Vice Chairman, East Zone, of FTS. He also heads the Biju Bhagawan Mahaveer Foot Centre, which provides free artificial limbs and runs the Rama Foundation, which operates dialysis centres, scholarships and cancer awareness initiatives. His work unites healthcare, education and youth empowerment into a model of sustainable social service.

**Business with a Social Conscience**  
While rooted in Odisha’s business landscape, Ajay Agarwal’s vision has always carried a strong social dimension. He has been recognised repeatedly by the Government of Odisha for his contributions to export and industry, serving two terms on the Executive Body of the Engineering Export Promotion Council. As an active member of the Utkal Chamber of Commerce, North Odisha Chamber of Commerce and Federation of Indian Granite and Stone Industry (FIGSI), he has strengthened trade while simultaneously ensuring that business success translates into social good. His dual role as entrepreneur and community builder has made him a respected voice across industries and civil society.

### The Agarwal Dossier

- **Past District Governor**, Rotary International District 3262, Odisha
- **Arch Klumph Society Member**, Rotary International
- **President**, Rajasthan Foundation-Bhubaneswar Chapter
- **Vice Chairman** (East Zone), Friends of Tribals Society, Ekal Vidyalaya
- **Executive President**, Biju Bhagawan Mahaveer Foot Centre, Bhubaneswar
- **Chairman**, Rama Foundation (dialysis centres, scholarships and healthcare)

### The Achievements Brief

- **Odisha Navaratna Samman** by Governor and Chief Minister of Odisha
- **Recognised** by Government of Odisha for business and export leadership
- **Expanded** the FTS in Odisha to 4,500 schools, serving 80,000 children
- **Elevated** as Arch Klumph Society Member, Rotary International’s highest donor recognition
- **Honoured** for contributions to healthcare through dialysis centres and prosthetic services
- **Led** Rotary International District 3262 as District Governor with impactful community projects
- **Strengthened** ties between Rajasthan and Odisha through cultural and social leadership

# AJAY MAROO

## Publisher, Philatelist and Parliamentarian

**Who is Ajay Maroo:** A seasoned media leader, social reformer and political voice from Jharkhand.

**His Mission Statement:** To use the power of journalism, education and cultural institutions to strengthen democratic values, encourage social development and represent Rajasthan's legacy on national platforms.



Ajay Maroo was born on 29 October 1958 in Ranchi into a Marwari family originally from Kishangarh, Rajasthan. His father, Sita Ram Maroo, a renowned social worker and entrepreneur, established Ranchi Prakashan Private Limited, which grew into the largest publishing house in South Bihar. From food grains to electrical goods and finally to media, the family's journey symbolised determination and innovation. Ajay, the youngest of four siblings, imbibed his father's values of service and dedication. Educated at St. Xavier's School, Marwari High School, and later Doranda College, he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce in 1979. In 1984, he married Kalpana and together they raised two sons and a daughter, all of whom have carried forward the family's values of education and enterprise. Inspired by his father's RSS legacy, Maroo entered politics through the BJP in the 1990s. Today, he proudly leads the Rajasthan Foundation Chapter (Ranchi) as its President.

### A Publisher and Media Leader

Maroo entered the family's publishing business at the age of 15, learning the nuances of journalism and management. In 1996, he became the editor of Ranchi Express, the oldest and most widely circulated Hindi daily of the region. Known for fearless reporting and editorial integrity, the paper shaped discourse in Jharkhand and Bihar. Today, while engaged with the family's real estate ventures, Maroo continues to be regarded as a strong voice of Hindi journalism. His career stands as a testament to the power of regional media in shaping national narratives.

As editor of Ranchi Express, he travelled with Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee to countries including Jamaica, Trinidad, France, Malaysia, Mauritius and the USA, gaining global exposure. In 2002, he became the first BJP Rajya Sabha Member of Parliament from Jharkhand. He remains active in the BJP's state leadership, including electoral responsibilities for Ranchi's Vidhan Sabha and Lok Sabha constituencies.

### Community Builder and Social Contributor

Beyond publishing, Maroo's contributions to education, health and culture are extensive. As President of Sanskrit Vihar, he has overseen the operation of eight rural schools, serving more than 4,000 students with an emphasis on values and quality education. He also developed the Surya Upasna Bhavan on the Ranchi-Jamshedpur highway, which has become a major cultural and tourist landmark. Between 2009 and 2015, he served as President of Nagarmal Modi Seva Sadan, Jharkhand's largest charitable hospital with 250 beds, where he now chairs the Medical Board. His patronage of the Krishna Janmotsav Samiti and leadership in organizing Janmashtami and kite festivals have made him a cultural torchbearer in the region. Maroo's leadership



extended into civic life. From 2001 to 2008, he was President of the historic Ranchi Club Limited, founded in 1886, where he still serves on the Master Plan Sub Committee. His ability to balance tradition with modern governance has made him a respected institution-builder in Jharkhand.

### The Maroo Dossier

- **Media Leader:** Editor of Ranchi Express, the highest-circulated Hindi daily in Jharkhand
- **Social Builder:** President of Sanskrit Vihar schools and former President of Nagarmal Modi Seva Sadan hospital
- **Civic Leader:** Longest-serving President of Ranchi Club (2001-08)
- **Political Role:** First BJP Rajya Sabha MP from Jharkhand (2002-08), BJP whip in the Upper House



- **Academic Credentials:** Graduate in Commerce, St Xavier's College and Doranda College
- **Cultural Role:** Patron of Krishna Janmotsav Samiti and organiser of major cultural festivals in Ranchi

### The Achievements Brief

- Directed and expanded Ranchi Prakashan Pvt Ltd, making Ranchi Express the region's largest daily
- Provided education to 4,000+ rural students through Sanskrit Vihar schools
- Strengthened healthcare by leading a 250-bed charitable hospital in Ranchi
- Mentored civic institutions such as Ranchi Club and cultural organisations
- Represented Jharkhand in Rajya Sabha, contributing to national committees and party leadership

# ALOK BHARGAVA

## Global Leader in Agri-Trading

### Who is Alok Bhargava:

Chartered Accountant, entrepreneur  
and visionary in international agri-  
commodity markets.

### His Mission Statement:

To build transparent and sustainable  
supply chains that connect farmers and  
buyers across continents.



Alok Bhargava, a merit-holder Chartered Accountant from Udaipur, Rajasthan, is a globetrotting leader whose career spans over 25 years in agri-commodity trading. From starting in Tanzania in 1995 to founding Praramb Agri Trading DMCC in Dubai in 2016, he has become one of the most respected figures in global agri-business. Known for his transparent handling of trade and wide market expertise, Alok has built enduring networks across Africa, Asia and beyond. His mantra — “Have a dream, believe in it, pursue it” — reflects the determination that has driven his journey from humble beginnings to global leadership.

### Rajasthan Roots and Global Journey

Born and raised in Udaipur, Alok draws inspiration from the values instilled in him by his family and Rajasthan's cultural heritage. His father, Ramesh Bhargava, moved from Dholpur to Udaipur in 1964, where the family remains based to this day. Though his work takes him across continents, Udaipur continues to anchor him. Frequent visits home strengthen his connection with his roots, while the simplicity, resilience and warmth of Rajasthan remain at the heart of his leadership.

His professional path began in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, where he served as Financial Controller for an international group in 1995. Soon after, he ventured into commodities trading, expanding into Kenya and across Africa. By 2005, he had established Dubai as his global hub, leading expansion into multiple countries including Nigeria, Ethiopia, Vietnam and Russia. In 2016, with decades of expertise behind him, he launched Praramb Agri Trading DMCC, today a trusted supplier of sesame seeds, pulses, spices, cashews and more — with a reputation for reliability and integrity.

### Professional Leadership and Community Impact

Alok's achievements extend far beyond business. Through Praramb Agri Trading, he has positioned Dubai as a hub for sustainable and transparent agri-trade, building one of the largest supply chains for sesame seeds in the Far East. He is a sought-after speaker and moderator at international agri-trade conferences, where his insights shape global industry dialogue.

Equally dedicated to community leadership, Alok has served as President of the Rajasthan Business and Professional Group in Dubai and is the Founder of the Brahmin Community there. Most recently, he was elected Vice President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Dubai Chapter, an initiative of the Government of Rajasthan. His contributions reflect a blend of professional excellence, diaspora engagement and cultural pride.



### The Bhargava Dossier

- **Founder & Director:** Praramb Agri Trading DMCC, Dubai
- **Specialist:** Sesame seeds, pulses, cashews, flaxseeds and spices across Africa, Canada and Russia
- **Community Leader:** Past President – Rajasthan Business and Professional Group, Dubai
- **Cultural Builder:** Founder – Brahmin Community, Dubai
- **Diaspora Representative:** Vice President – Rajasthan Foundation, Dubai Chapter

### The Achievements Brief

- 1995: Began international career in Tanzania as Financial Controller
- 2005: Expanded global agri-trade network from Dubai
- 2016: Founded Praramb Agri Trading DMCC
- Ranked 26<sup>th</sup> in India in CA Intermediate exams
- Honoured with Most Iconic NRI Award and Maharana Award
- Awarded Dubai Re-Exporter of the Year (2018) by Dubai Government
- Named Ambassador of International Fair Trade by World Book of Records, London
- Featured in *Forbes* and *Financial Times Africa* for business leadership

# PROF. ALOK CHOUDHARY

## Powering Innovation through Data

### Who is Prof. Choudhary:

A pioneering computer scientist, educator and entrepreneur shaping the future of big data and AI.

### His Mission Statement:

To harness data and technology to drive scientific discovery, societal progress and entrepreneurial growth.



Prof. Choudhary is one of the most influential figures in computer science today, seamlessly bridging academia and entrepreneurship. As the Henry and Isabel Dever Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Northwestern University, he has led groundbreaking research in high-performance computing, data-intensive science and artificial intelligence. At the same time, he has built successful companies that bring cutting-edge innovations to market, proving that rigorous research and entrepreneurial instinct can thrive together.



#### From Theory to Transformation

With his native roots in Jaipur, he is a student of the Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani. Prof. Choudhary went on to earn a Ph.D. in electrical and computer engineering from the University of Minnesota. He began his academic career at Syracuse University before moving to Northwestern, where he established himself as a global authority in parallel computing and data sciences.

His vision has always been clear: data is the new oil and computing power is the engine that transforms it into insight. He has authored more than 500 papers, supervised dozens of Ph.D. students and received the National Science Foundation's prestigious Young Investigator Award. His work has been instrumental in reshaping how scientists and engineers use supercomputing to tackle problems ranging from climate modelling to particle physics. But Prof. Choudhary is not confined to theory. He is also a serial entrepreneur who believes in turning ideas into real-world impact.

He co-founded several companies including AccelChip, a pioneering EDA tools company later acquired by Xilinx and 4C Insights, a data science-

driven marketing analytics company acquired by Mediaocean in 2020. More recently, he has been involved in ventures at the intersection of AI, social media and commerce, extending his influence well beyond academia.

#### Educator, Builder, Visionary

What makes Prof. Choudhary's story remarkable is his ability to inspire the next generation. At Northwestern, his Center for Ultra-scale Computing and Information Security (CUCIS) has trained students and researchers who now occupy leadership positions across academia, industry and government. He has also been deeply committed to diversity in STEM, mentoring students from underrepresented backgrounds and advocating for inclusive growth in technology fields.

For Prof. Choudhary, entrepreneurship and teaching are two sides of the same coin. Both are about unlocking potential, whether in students, in teams, or in the technologies that transform industries. His philosophy is rooted in constant curiosity, resistance in the face of challenges and the conviction that technology should serve society, not just markets.

### The Choudhary Dossier

- **Henry** and Isabel Dever Professor, Northwestern University
- **Ph.D.** in Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Minnesota
- **B.E.**, Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani
- **Founder/Co-founder:** AccelChip (acquired by Xilinx), 4C Insights (acquired by Mediaocean) and other ventures in AI/data analytics
- **Author** of 500+ research papers, mentor to scores of Ph.D. students

### The Achievements Brief

- **National Science Foundation Young Investigator Award** recipient
- **Pioneered** advances in parallel computing, high-performance computing and big data
- **Founder** of AccelChip and 4C Insights, both acquired by global leaders
- **Elevated** Northwestern as a hub for ultra-scale computing research
- **Advocate** for diversity and inclusion in STEM education

# AMARA RAM JANGID

## A Craftsman of Legacy

### Who is Amara Ram Jangid:

An entrepreneur, a philanthropist and a community builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To blend craftsmanship, enterprise, and compassion in creating a legacy of dignity for workers and pride for Rajasthan across the globe.

From the humble village of Bhikamkor in Rajasthan to the flourishing business hubs of Ajman and Dubai, Amara Ram Jangid's story spans over four decades of grit, craftsmanship and compassion. Born into a family of woodcraft artisans, he inherited a keen eye for detail and artistry that quietly shaped his entrepreneurial journey. Although Amara Ram has lived in the UAE for over four decades, his bond with Rajasthan remains unbreakable. The enduring values of hard work, compassion and service instilled by his parents continue to guide his every action. Today, his two sons, Pradeep, an architect and Manish, an interior designer, actively manage the family businesses while upholding its founding vision and values.

#### Entrepreneurial Visionary

Amara Ram's professional journey began with humble beginnings at Eastern Ltd. followed by his contribution to the founding team of Al Zahra Hospital in Sharjah during the early 1980s. It was during this formative phase that he laid the foundation for his future by establishing a small carpentry workshop—an enterprise that would evolve into a cornerstone of his entrepreneurial legacy. In 1992, with the support of H.H. Sheikh Faisal bin Khalid Al Qassimi, this modest initiative grew into Rajasthan Furniture Industries LLC in Ajman. Later, he expanded into Rajasthan Interior Solutions & Engineering LLC in Dubai, marking his presence as a leading entrepreneur in the UAE.

His ventures go beyond furniture, reflecting innovation, trust and community. In 2008, he introduced modern warehousing and staff facilities, ensuring better living standards for his workforce—a reflection of his belief that employees are the backbone of success.

#### Champion of Community and Workers

While business success has been remarkable, what sets Amara Ram apart is his unwavering service to society. For over 40 years, he has been dedicated to the welfare of blue-collar workers in the GCC, providing legal and financial aid to those in distress, supporting families of deceased workers and arranging the repatriation of mortal remains with dignity. His efforts extend to education, where through the Shilpi Foundation in Jodhpur, he has empowered talented but economically disadvantaged students from the Vishwakarma community to pursue their dreams.

One of his most notable recent contributions was facilitating the release and safe return of a young worker from Rajasthan who had spent three years in a Saudi prison – a reflection of his resolve to stand by his community in their most difficult hours.



### The Jangid Dossier

- **Entrepreneurial Pioneer:** Founder & Chairman, Rajasthan Furniture Ind. LLC, Ajman; Rajasthan Interior Solutions & Engineering LLC, Dubai
- **Community Leader:** Patron, Shilpi Foundation; Trustee, RBPG Dubai; Founder, VPBG Dubai Role: CFO, SAGCO – MENA's largest container glass manufacturer
- **President:** Dubai Chapter, Rajasthan Foundation

### The Achievements Brief

- India-UAE Summit Award for Excellence in Joinery & Furniture (2018)
- All Media Council International Award (2019)
- Best Furniture Company, UAE (2019)
- Maharana Award, UAE (2022)
- Recognised for over 40 years of contribution to UAE's development and the Indian diaspora community

# ANJUL SHARMA

## Sipping Success with Purpose



### Who is Anjul Sharma:

An entrepreneur, tea connoisseur and cultural connector crafting mindful experiences through flavour and purpose.

### Her Mission Statement:

To redefine wellness through sustainable, artisanal tea blends that nourish people and the planet alike.

Anjul Sharma, Co-Founder and Director of SereniTEA Infusions, is among the few Indian-origin entrepreneurs in Australia who have brewed passion into a purpose-driven brand. Based in Melbourne, SereniTEA is a celebration of the Indian heritage of tea-making — revived with a modern sensibility that values wellness, sustainability and mindful living. Anjul’s entrepreneurial journey is steeped in authenticity: every blend tells a story of connection — connecting growers to buyers, heritage to innovation and enterprise to ethics.

### Brewing a Mindful Journey

Born and raised in Rajasthan, Anjul carried the essence of her homeland when she moved abroad — warmth, resilience and hospitality. Her professional career began in the corporate world, where she gained experience in marketing and brand management before taking a bold step towards entrepreneurship. Together with her husband, she co-founded SereniTEA Infusions, a boutique tea company that specialises in premium, hand-blended organic teas sourced ethically from across India and crafted for discerning global palates.

Under her leadership, SereniTEA Infusions quickly carved a niche in Australia’s competitive wellness beverage industry. Each product is designed not just for taste but for the experience — a moment of calm in an increasingly fast-paced world. Anjul says, “Tea is more than a drink; it’s a ritual that connects people. My dream was to create something that makes people pause and savour life again.”

Her company stands out for its sustainable packaging, small-batch blending and fair-trade sourcing, reflecting her deep respect for both the environment and the community. SereniTEA’s philosophy — “Sip. Savour. Sustain.” — mirrors her belief that mindful choices can lead to collective change.

### Empowering through Flavour and Purpose

Beyond her business, Anjul is a passionate advocate for women entrepreneurs and creative sustainability within diaspora communities. She regularly mentors young professionals and partners with wellness retreats, eco-markets and cultural festivals to promote mindful consumption.

She also collaborates with artisans and small producers from India to highlight the craftsmanship

behind the tea — from hand-plucked leaves in Assam to rose petals from Pushkar — creating an authentic India–Australia connection through every cup.

During the pandemic, SereniTEA Infusions launched an initiative called “Brew for Hope”, donating a portion of sales to mental health awareness and rural women’s self-help groups in Rajasthan. For Anjul, giving back is not a separate project — it’s the foundation of doing business ethically. “The true measure of success,” she says, “is how many lives you can uplift through your work.”

Her efforts have earned recognition from sustainability advocates and lifestyle media across Australia and India, positioning her as a voice of mindful entrepreneurship.



### The Sharma Dossier

- **Co-Founder & Director**, SereniTEA Infusions, Melbourne
- **Advocate** for sustainable business and women-led entrepreneurship
- **Former** corporate professional turned ethical brand builder
- **Deep-rooted** connection to Rajasthan’s heritage and craftsmanship
- **Mentor** and wellness ambassador promoting mindful consumption

### The Achievements Brief

- Co-founded SereniTEA Infusions, a leading sustainable tea brand in Australia
- Recognised by lifestyle and wellness media for promoting conscious living
- Launched “Brew for Hope” initiative supporting women’s self-help groups in Rajasthan
- Built cross-cultural brand presence connecting India’s tea heritage with global wellness trends
- Featured speaker at entrepreneurship and sustainability forums in Melbourne
- Honoured for her contributions to community development and diaspora engagement



## ANKUR AGGARWAL

# Building Brilliance in Real Estate

### Who is Ankur Aggarwal:

A finance expert turned  
visionary real estate leader.

### His Mission Statement:

To redefine luxury real estate  
through innovation and global  
collaborations.

Born in Jaipur and armed with a B.Com (Hons) from Delhi University, Ankur Aggarwal carved his early career as a Chartered Accountant. As the managing partner of AAC, a renowned Indian CA firm, Ankur became a trusted advisor in taxation, audit and corporate law. With sharp insights and a flair for leadership, he soon transitioned from financial services to establishing BNW Group, one of the UAE's most dynamic real estate firms. Today, Ankur is recognised for blending financial precision with entrepreneurial vision, taking luxury real estate to new horizons.

#### Shaping the Skyline

As Chairman and Founder of BNW Group, Ankur has transformed the UAE property sector with projects worth AED 22 billion under management. His landmark contributions include developing Al Marjan in Ras Al Khaimah, branded residences like Taj Wellington Mews and FashionTV Acacia and conceptualising the “Bricks to Brilliance” convention—a platform inspiring excellence across the real estate industry. Partnering with actor-entrepreneur Vivek Oberoi, he has fused financial expertise with creative innovation, positioning BNW at the forefront of luxury living.

#### Redefining Leadership

Beyond real estate, Ankur has cultivated an ecosystem of global investors, design-led collaborations and strategic partnerships. His leadership style—visionary yet pragmatic—has set new benchmarks in transparency, sophistication and customer satisfaction. Recognised across platforms from *Construction Week Middle East* to *Arabian Business*, he continues to inspire as a young leader who is shaping the very future of real estate.



### The Aggarwal Dossier

- **Founder & Chairman**, BNW Group
- **Ex-Managing Partner**, AAC Chartered Accountants
- **22 billion AED** assets under management
- **Creator** of “Bricks to Brilliance” convention

### The Achievements Brief

- **Visionary of the Year**, Pillars of Real Estate Awards (2025)
- **Icon of UAE**, India Today Group (2024, 2025)
- **CEO of the Year**, Arabian Business (2023)
- **Featured in MORE Magazine** and *Arabian Business Indian Aces* (2025)



# ASHISH GARG

## Dubai’s Diamond Voice

### Who is Ashish Garg:

A trade leader, industry advisor and community builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance the global diamond and jewellery trade by promoting ethical practices and supporting cultural and community growth.

Born in Jaipur, Rajasthan, into a family with jewellery-making roots dating back to 1918 in Samod, Ashish Garg represents the fourth generation of jewellers carrying forward the legacy with global relevance. At 47, he stands as one of the most influential voices in Dubai’s diamond and jewellery industry, leading the Middle East arm of the billion-dollar KGK Group. As Head of Business at KGK Diamonds & Jewellery, he has helped build Dubai into a key hub for exports from India to the Gulf, advancing bilateral trade and raising India’s profile on the global jewellery map. His leadership also extends to industry governance and community service, marked by his positions as Board Director of the Dubai Gold & Jewellery Group (DGJG) since 2020 and General Secretary of IPF Rajasthan – UAE Chapter since 2023. Honoured with Dubai’s prestigious Golden Visa in 2022, he is widely recognised as both a business statesman and a cultural bridge-builder.

#### Trade Leadership and Policy

Ashish Garg’s professional journey reflects more than two decades of consistent leadership in the global jewellery trade. Since 2003, he has played a central role in transforming Dubai into a strategic hub for the KGK Group, ensuring consistent multi-million-dollar exports of diamonds and jewellery from India to leading Gulf retailers. His efforts have strengthened India’s economic presence in the region, supported artisans and provided Indian craftsmanship with access to international markets.

As Board Director of DGJG, he represents the diamond sector at the highest levels, shaping trade policy, addressing industry concerns and advocating compliance. His role in promoting awareness of Anti-Money Laundering (AML) laws has been pivotal, ensuring ethical standards across the industry. Since 2022, he has also served on the Dubai Customs Valuation Committee, providing expert assessments that safeguard fair revenue practices and transparent trade. His insights are highly valued by government bodies, industry organisations and high-net-worth individuals who seek his advice on matters ranging from inheritance valuations to major investments.

During the COVID-19 lockdown in 2020, Ashish showcased another dimension of leadership. Understanding the crisis faced by industry workers and artisans, he organised large-scale

food service initiatives, ensuring no worker was left unsupported. This humane response cemented his reputation as a leader who places community welfare alongside business excellence.

#### Rajasthan Roots, Global Impact

Despite being based in Dubai, Ashish remains closely connected to Rajasthan. His family’s migration from Samod to Jaipur in 1918 laid the foundation for the jewellery business he continues to expand globally. As General Secretary of IPF Rajasthan UAE, he has actively engaged with the diaspora, organising cultural and welfare programmes. He has facilitated discussions with visiting Indian ministers, advocated for diaspora issues and led charitable initiatives, including blanket distribution drives for labour communities.

His contributions to cultural promotion have helped showcase Rajasthani identity on international platforms. At the same time, his professional expertise makes him a regular speaker and panellist at trade shows, seminars and industry forums such as the VOD Dubai Jewellery Show. By blending his entrepreneurial achievements with community engagement, Ashish embodies the balance between heritage and modernity. His leadership demonstrates how a professional rooted in Jaipur’s traditions can rise to global prominence while never losing sight of the values of service, ethics and cultural pride.



### The Garg Dossier

- **Business Leader:** Head of Business, KGK Diamonds & Jewellery (Middle East)
- **Policy Advocate:** Board Director, Dubai Gold & Jewellery Group
- **Trusted Expert:** Member, Dubai Customs Valuation Committee
- **Community Leader:** General Secretary, IPF Rajasthan UAE

### The Achievements Brief

- **2003–present:** Built KGK Middle East into a leading Gulf hub
- **2020:** Appointed Board Director, Dubai Gold & Jewellery Group
- **2020:** Organised food service for workers during Covid-19 lockdown
- **2022:** Conferred the Dubai Golden Visa by the UAE Government
- **2022:** Joined the Dubai Customs Valuation Committee
- **2023:** General Secretary, IPF Rajasthan UAE, leading diaspora initiatives
- **Ongoing:** Recognised speaker and advisor at global trade forum



PROF. ASHUTOSH SHARMA

The Architect of Indian Innovation

Who is Prof. Sharma:

A visionary scientist and policy leader shaping India’s scientific and innovation landscape.

His Mission Statement:

To advance science with creativity, compassion and purpose for national and global good.

Hailing from Jaipur, Prof. Ashutosh Sharma is one of India’s most distinguished scientists who blends invention with imagination. Currently the Institute Chair Prof. at the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, he has spent his career pushing the boundaries of science and technology while nurturing India’s innovation ecosystem. As the former Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Science and Technology (2015–2021), he redefined policy directions that linked research with real-world applications. An alumnus of IIT Kanpur, with a PhD from the State University of New York at Buffalo, Prof. Sharma has been instrumental in shaping the country’s scientific vision. His blend of intellect and empathy, rigour and creativity, has made him a guiding force in both academia and governance.



Science with Purpose

Prof. Sharma’s research bridges diverse fields—nanotechnology, soft matter, thin films and functional materials—each with profound industrial and societal impact. With more than 350 publications and several patents, his work reflects both academic excellence and applied innovation. As a mentor and institution builder, he founded and led key centres at IIT Kanpur, including those focused on nanoscience and advanced imaging. His leadership helped catalyse national missions in clean energy, innovation and frontier research during his tenure as Secretary, DST. For him, science is not a pursuit of prestige, but a pathway to serve people and empower progress.

Beyond Science: The Art of Thought

Prof. Sharma stands out as a rare mind who unites science with the arts, embodying both analytical rigor and creative depth. His reflections on philosophy, poetry and ancient history enrich his scientific work, reminding us that true knowledge

is not complete without empathy. Through his personal website dedicated to art and thought, he continues to share this vision — that discovery must always be touched by humanity.

Beyond his own research, Prof. Sharma has played a leading role in shaping the scientific community. He serves on the editorial and advisory boards of renowned journals such as ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, Carbon and Chemical Engineering Science. Equally committed to the future, he actively mentors young scientists and supports startups, building pathways for innovation and growth in India and beyond.

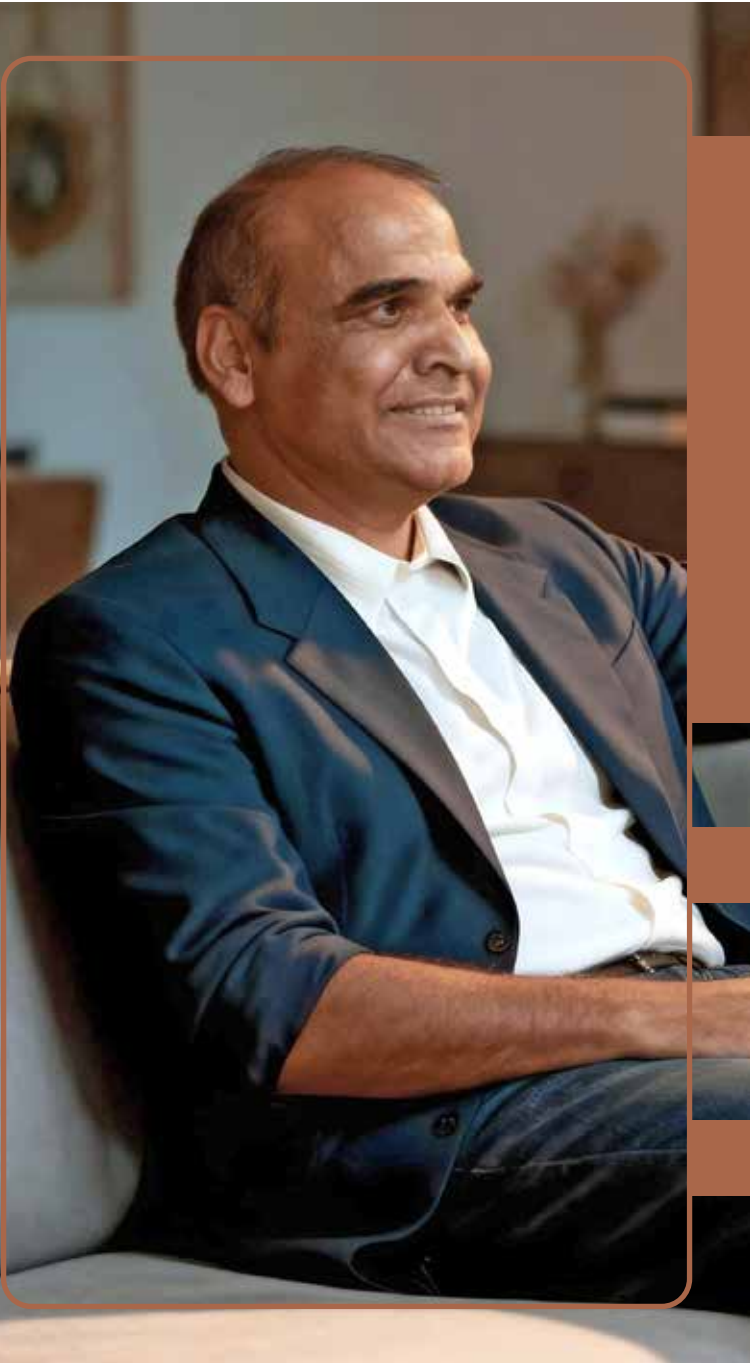
As President of the Indian National Science Academy (2023–25) and Co-Chair of S20/G20, Prof. Sharma carries his influence onto the global stage. Fluent in the language of both equations and ideas, he inspires the next generation by showing how imagination fuels discovery — and how knowledge fulfills its purpose when it uplifts humanity.

The Sharma Dossier

- **Institute** Chair Prof., Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
- **Former** Secretary, Department of Science and Technology, Government of India (2015–2021)
- **President**, Indian National Science Academy (2023–2025)
- **Co-Chair**, S20/G20 Science Engagement
- **Ph.D**, State University of New York at Buffalo

The Achievements Brief

- Recipient of the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology
- Infosys Prize in Engineering and Computer Science
- TWAS Science Prize, The World Academy of Sciences
- Bessel Research Award, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany
- UNESCO Medal for Contributions to Nanoscience and Nanotechnology
- Homi J. Bhabha Award and Meghnad Saha Medal, Indian National Science Academy
- Conferred six honorary D.Sc. degrees from Indian and international universities
- Recently received Padma Shri Award



# BABU LAL YADAV

## Trailblazer in Forensic Mental Health

### Who is Babu Lal Yadav:

A distinguished nurse, academic and mental health advocate with over three decades of service in India and Ireland.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance psychiatric nursing practice, strengthen mental health care systems and mentor future generations of healthcare professionals.

Born on 9 September 1967 in a small village in Alwar district, Rajasthan, Babu Lal Yadav rose from humble beginnings in an agricultural family to become a respected nursing leader in Ireland. With academic foundations in B.Sc. Nursing from Rajasthan University and M.Sc. in Psychiatric Nursing from NIMHANS, he later enhanced his expertise in Ireland with a Certificate in Forensic Psychiatric Nursing from RCSI and a Master's in Nursing by Research from UCD. Today, he serves as Clinical Nursing Manager 1 at the National Forensic Mental Health Service, Central Mental Hospital in Dublin. An Irish citizen since 2009, he is also a Fellow of the Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (FFNMRC SI), marking international recognition of his professional excellence.



### Rajasthan Roots and Global Journey

Yadav's story begins in Goonta village, Bansur Tehsil, Rajasthan, where his childhood was shaped by poverty, farming duties and the challenges of pursuing education in a joint family setting. Despite obstacles, he excelled academically, eventually completing his postgraduate training at NIMHANS, India's premier mental health institute. From 1991 to 2003, he served Rajasthan as a Public Health Nurse Instructor and later as Lecturer in Nursing at SMS Medical College, Jaipur. As a teacher, he trained and inspired hundreds of nursing students. In 2003, he moved to Ireland seeking better opportunities and entered the Health Service Executive (HSE), where he continues to serve with distinction. His journey represents the determination of a Pravasi Rajasthani who carried the values of resilience and service from rural Rajasthan to the global stage.

### Professional Sector and Impact

In Ireland, Yadav has contributed significantly to forensic psychiatric nursing through leadership at the Central Mental Hospital, Dublin. He has presented papers at national and international conferences, published three research articles in peer-reviewed journals and serves on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Mental Health*. He also serves as a reviewer for leading international nursing journals. A life member of the Indian Society of Psychiatric Nurses and an active member of the Psychiatric Nurses Association of Ireland, he has helped shape discourse on psychiatric nursing globally. Beyond academia and practice, he engages actively in local community, sports and democratic organisations, reflecting his belief that healthcare professionals must contribute to wider society.

### The Yadav Dossier

- **Clinical Nursing Manager 1:** National Forensic Mental Health Service, Central Mental Hospital, Dublin
- **Former Lecturer:** College of Nursing, SMS Medical College, Jaipur (1999–2003)
- **Former Public Health Nursing Instructor:** Department of Health & Family Welfare, Rajasthan (1991–1999)
- **Editorial Board Member:** *Journal of Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Mental Health*
- **Reviewer:** International peer-reviewed nursing journals
- **Professional Memberships:** Psychiatric Nurses Association of Ireland, Indian Society of Psychiatric Nurses

### The Achievements Brief

- **1998:** M.Sc. in Psychiatric Nursing, NIMHANS, Bengaluru
- **2005:** Certificate in Forensic Psychiatric Nursing, RCSI, Ireland
- **2011:** M.Sc. Nursing by Research, University College Dublin
- **2020:** Fellowship, Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (FFNMRC SI)
- **Research:** Three international peer-reviewed journal publications
- **Mentorship:** Guided hundreds of nursing students in India and Ireland



# BAJRANG BOTHRA

## Building the Future, Sustainably

### Who is Bajrang Bothra:

Co-Founder & Managing Director, EPACK Prefab Pvt. Ltd., Delhi-NCR

### His Mission Statement:

To revolutionise Indian infrastructure through innovation, efficiency and sustainable prefab solutions that empower modern India to build faster and greener.

Born into a business-minded family in Rajasthan, Bajrang developed an early fascination for structures and design. After completing his education in commerce and management, he joined his brothers to establish EPACK Group in Greater Noida in the late 1990s. What began as a humble venture in insulated panels gradually expanded into a full-fledged infrastructure solution provider serving sectors ranging from industrial warehousing to institutional campuses and healthcare facilities.

### The Vision that Built Steel Dreams

From a modest trading background in Rajasthan to the helm of one of India's fastest-growing infrastructure solution providers, Bajrang Bothra's journey exemplifies foresight and grit. A visionary entrepreneur and sharp strategist, he transformed EPACK Prefab from a small-scale unit into a nationwide leader in pre-engineered buildings (PEBs), cold-form steel structures and modular construction.

Under Bajrang's leadership, EPACK Prefab has become synonymous with reliability, precision and environmental responsibility. His belief that "India's growth deserves structures that rise faster but last longer" drives the company's continuous investment in technology, automation and green materials. Today, EPACK's sprawling facilities in Greater Noida and Dehradun are benchmarks for large-scale prefab engineering and sustainable construction.

### Innovation, Integrity and Impact

Bajrang Bothra is not merely a manufacturer—he is

a builder of ecosystems. His strategic diversification of the EPACK Group has led to the establishment of verticals like EPACK Durable Ltd., which manufactures appliances in partnership with Voltas Beko and EPACK Polymers, a leader in insulated panels and polystyrene products. Together, these ventures employ thousands and contribute significantly to India's "Make in India" vision.

What sets Bajrang apart is his insistence on ethics and empathy. While steering a group with a turnover exceeding ₹2,000 crore, he remains deeply connected to his Rajasthani roots, upholding the values of trust and service. His business decisions often balance profitability with social good—whether in ensuring safe work environments, promoting local employment or adopting energy-efficient production systems that reduce carbon footprints.

For him, leadership is about legacy. "We are not just constructing buildings," he often says, "we are constructing confidence in India's capacity to build sustainably."



### The Bothra Dossier

- **Designation:** Co-Founder & Managing Director, EPACK Prefab Pvt. Ltd.
- **Group Ventures:** EPACK Prefab Ltd., EPACK Durable Ltd. (Voltas Beko JV), EPACK Polymers Pvt. Ltd.
- **Headquarters:** Greater Noida, Delhi NCR
- **Industry Focus:** Pre-Engineered Buildings (PEBs), Prefab Construction, Insulated Panels, Home Appliances
- **Roots:** Rajasthan — values of resilience, integrity and enterprise

### The Achievements Brief

- Pioneered the prefab construction movement in India
- Expanded group turnover to over ₹2,000 crore with multi-industry presence
- Established India's largest state-of-the-art PEB manufacturing facility in Greater Noida
- Partnered with Voltas Beko, marking a global collaboration in home appliances manufacturing
- Recognised among India's Top SME 100 companies for growth and innovation
- Spearheaded government and private sector infrastructure projects, including airports, hospitals and smart-city units
- Promotes sustainable manufacturing practices with zero-waste and energy-efficient production standards

# DR BITHAL DAS MUNDHRA

## Architect of Growth and Innovation

### Who is Dr Mundhra:

A pioneering technocrat, an institution builder and a philanthropist rooted in tradition.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance India's infrastructure landscape through innovation, leadership and research while enriching society with cultural, educational and philanthropic contributions.



From the sands of Bikaner to the bustling city of Kolkata, Dr Bithal Das Mundhra's journey is one of grit, intellect and perseverance. Born in 1942, he began his career at the young age of 19 on construction sites of Simplex Infrastructures Ltd. Over the next five decades, he transformed not only the company but also the entire construction and infrastructure sector with his visionary approach. By blending technical acumen with business foresight, he pioneered advancements in foundation and geo-technology, ERP development, training systems and management practices—laying the foundation for a modernised industry.

#### Architect of Growth & Innovation

Under Dr Mundhra's stewardship, Simplex Infrastructures Ltd. rose to the upper echelons of the industry. His foresight and leadership introduced pioneering practices in planning, machinery and workforce training, making the company a benchmark of excellence.

Globally recognised, Simplex received honours such as Best Sub-Contractor Internationally for Power Project Construction from Siemens, Germany; Overall Best Managed Company by Asia Money; and recognition among Top 5 India's Fastest Growing Large Companies by Business Today. International accolades included the International Quality Summit Award in New York and the Inspirational Company Award by the World Confederation of Business.

Beyond the corporate sphere, Dr Mundhra's academic engagements include serving as a Visiting Professor at the Indian Institute of Engineering Science & Technology, Shibpur and receiving honorary distinctions like Doctor of Philosophy (Honoris Causa) from Singhanian University and D. Litt from KIIT University.

#### Cultural Custodian & Mentor

Deeply rooted in Rajasthan, Dr Mundhra maintains strong ties with his birthplace, Bikaner, home to his family's 150-year-old Madanmohan Temple and educational institutions supported by him. His philanthropic reach extends across cultural, social and academic fronts.

As Chairman of Bharatiya Vidya Mandir, he has guided the publication of encyclopaedic works on Indian culture and art. He serves as President of Bhartiya Samskriti Samsad, Trustee of Pt. Jasraj Music Academy and is associated with numerous trusts across India. His editorial leadership of *Vaichariki*, a UGC-recognised Hindi research journal, reinforces his contributions to literature and thought leadership.

Dr Mundhra's influence as a mentor and cultural patron reflects his belief in nation-building that goes beyond infrastructure—towards knowledge, heritage and human values.

### The Mundhra Dossier

- **Technocrat:** Over five decades of leadership at Simplex Infrastructures Ltd
- **Academic Contributor:** Visiting Professor, IEST Shibpur; Hon. Doctorates from Singhanian University and KIIT University
- **Institution Builder:** Founder Member and Trustee of NICMAR, Pune; Mentor & Board Member of Construction Industry Development Council
- **Global Fellowships:** Life Fellow of the Institution of Engineers (India), Fellow of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (UK), Life Fellow of the Indian Concrete Institute
- **Philanthropist & Cultural Leader:** Chairman of Bharatiya Vidya Mandir; President, Bhartiya Samskriti Samsad; Trustee of multiple cultural and health institutions

### The Achievements Brief

- **Lifetime Achievement Award** by BAI (2008)
- **Vishwakarma Award** by Construction Industries Development Council (2009)
- **World Leader Business Person** by World Confederation of Business (2010)
- **Hall of Fame (Infrastructure)** by Construction Week (2012)
- **Lifetime Achievement Award** by EPC World (2012)
- Conferred honorary doctorates for contributions to infrastructure and management





# BRIJESH DAMANI

## Cueing India’s Global Presence

### Who is Brijesh Damani:

A snooker and billiards champion, a consistent performer and a proud Indian sportsman.

### His Mission Statement:

To take India to new heights in cue sports with dedication, skill and excellence.

Born on 22 November 1982 in Kolkata with his native roots in Bikaner, Rajasthan, Brijesh Damani took up snooker in his teens and quickly displayed exceptional talent. He progressed through local and state-level competitions, soon becoming a state junior champion that laid the foundation for his national career. His unwavering dedication, disciplined training and consistent performance propelled him through the ranks, earning recognition as one of India’s most promising young cue sports talents.



### Champion Sportsman

Damani’s career highlights include his triumph at the 2008 Indian National Snooker Championship, a victory which firmly established him as a top-level snooker player in India. Over the years, he has remained a consistent performer, representing India in multiple international events. At the 2010 Asian Games in Guangzhou, he contributed to India’s silver medal in the snooker team event, an achievement that brought the country recognition in Asian cue sports. In 2013, Damani and his teammates claimed gold at the Asian Team Snooker Championship, further consolidating his reputation as a player who excels under pressure.

In domestic billiards, Damani’s winning streak continued with his first National Billiards Championship title in

2022–23, underscoring his versatility and enduring excellence across cue sports. Most recently, in 2025, he won silver at the IBSF World Masters Snooker Championship, showing that his competitive edge and skill remain sharp even after decades at the top.

### Record-Breaking Talent

Renowned for his high breaks and precision, Damani has recorded a 136 break in snooker and a 196 break in billiards, benchmarks that reflect both technical skill and mental focus. Over the years, he has represented organisations such as PSPB and IndianOil, contributing to Indian cue sports and inspiring the next generation of players. His blend of consistency, discipline and sportsmanship has earned him deep respect among peers and fans alike.

### The Damani Dossier

- **National Champion:** Indian Snooker title (2008), National Billiards title (2022–23)
- **Asian Glory:** Silver at 2010 Asian Games, Gold at 2013 Asian Team Snooker
- **International Success:** Silver at 2025 IBSF World Masters Snooker
- **High Breaks:** Snooker 136, Billiards 196

### The Achievements Brief

- Indian National Snooker Champion (2008)
- Asian Games Silver (2010), Asian Team Gold (2013)
- National Billiards Champion (2022–23)
- IBSF World Masters Snooker Silver (2025)

# DAU DAYAL GUPTA

## Leading Collaboration and Progress

### Who is Dau Dayal Gupta:

A pioneering entrepreneur, global business leader and devoted community builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To deepen the economic, cultural, and social ties between India and Singapore while promoting growth and inclusivity across global business networks.



Born in Deeg, Rajasthan, and rooted in his ancestral traditions, Dau Dayal Gupta moved to Singapore in 1981 and built a life dedicated to enterprise, leadership and community service. From his beginnings in textiles to diversification into agro-commodities and metals, Gupta became a symbol of entrepreneurial courage. Alongside his business ventures, he played defining roles in commerce, culture and social service, serving both Singapore and the Indian diaspora with distinction. Today, at 76, he stands as Emeritus Chairman of the Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, embodying the spirit of collaboration and progress.

### Architect of Global Business & Leadership

Gupta's career has been closely intertwined with Singapore's business and trade ecosystem. As President of the Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry between 1996 and 2000 and later as Vice President of the Singapore Federation of Chambers of Commerce & Industry, he helped shape strategies that promoted commerce across borders. He also headed the Singapore Chapter of the International Chamber of Commerce & Industry in 1999 and founded the Federation of Asia Pacific Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry, a landmark initiative in strengthening regional business networks.

His influence extended into the policy domain as well, serving as trustee of the Singapore Indian Development Association and contributing to government-led initiatives that safeguarded the interests of the Indian community. Gupta also had the honour of joining the Prime Minister of Singapore on official delegations to India and Myanmar from 1996 to 2000, reflecting his stature as a trusted voice in international economic relations.

### Champion of Culture, Faith & Social Responsibility

Committed to community and cultural causes, Gupta has devoted decades to institutions that preserve and promote Indian traditions in Singapore. As Founder President of Marwari Mitra Mandal Singapore, he built a platform for cultural solidarity and mutual support. He also co-founded the Hindi Society of Singapore, further embedding language and identity within the diaspora. His leadership of the Laxmi Narain Temple Singapore and his involvement in the Gita Jayanti Celebrations reflect his dedication to spiritual and cultural enrichment.

Through these initiatives, Gupta has consistently sought to blend faith with service, culture with progress and tradition with innovation. His story is one of a leader who sees community service not as an obligation but as a lifelong mission that gives meaning to his entrepreneurial success.



### The Gupta Dossier

- **Global Entrepreneur:** Established businesses in textiles, agro-commodities and metals
- **Community Leader:** Founder of multiple cultural and social organisations in Singapore
- **International Delegate:** Part of Singapore's official trade delegations to India and Myanmar
- **Institution Builder:** Guided and shaped leading chambers of commerce across Asia-Pacific
- **President:** Rajasthan Foundation, Singapore Chapter

### The Achievements Brief

- Hind Rattan Award (1991) presented by Dr Manmohan Singh in New Delhi
- SME 21 Appreciation Award (1996–2000) for contributions to Singapore's SME development
- Committee Recognition (1999) by Mr Lee Hock Suan, Minister for Trade and Industry, Singapore
- Conferment as Emeritus Chairman (2022), Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry, by the President of Singapore
- Agro Industry Legend Award (2024) at the Afro World Agri Food Convention, Tanzania
- National Recognition (2024) by President Tharman Shanmugaratnam for his services to the Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry

# DHARMENDRA RATHORE

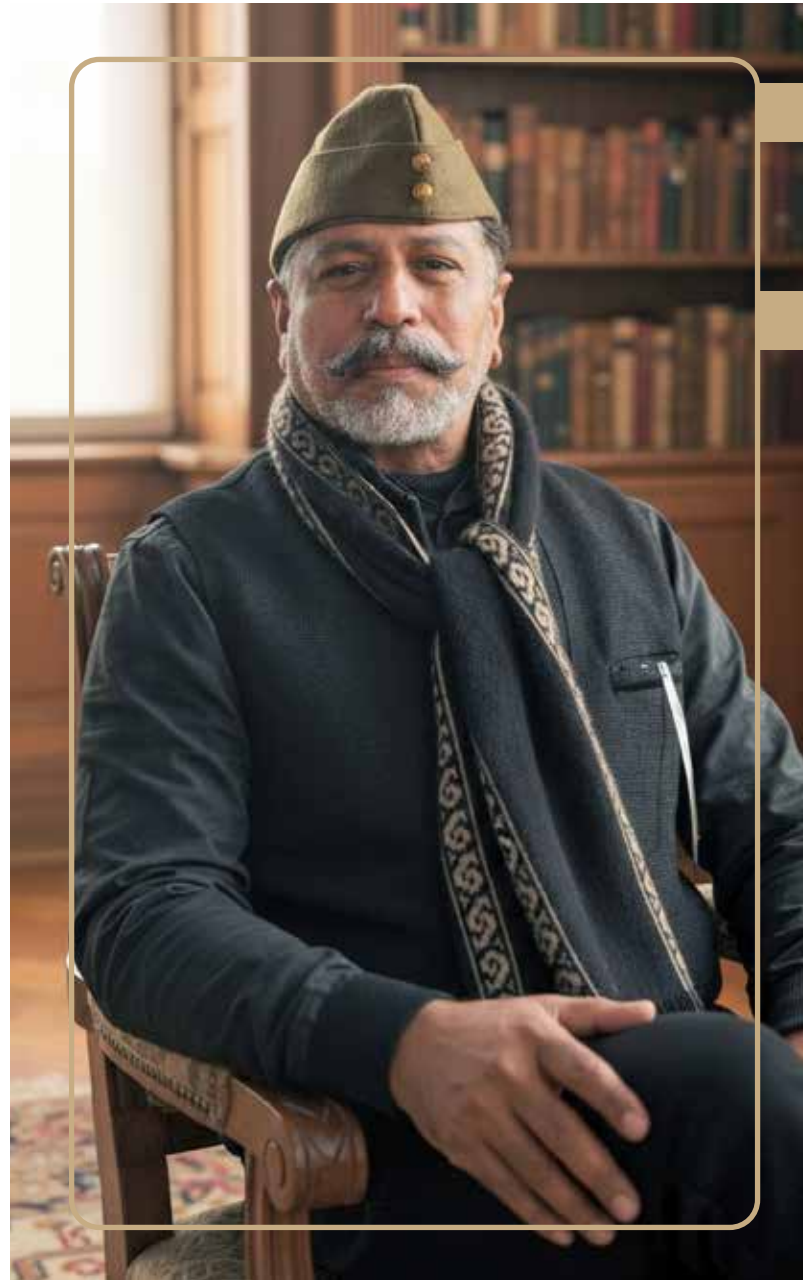
## Carrying Colours of Rajasthan

### Who is Dharmendra Rathore:

A visionary painter, cultural curator and devoted mentor.

### His Mission Statement:

To preserve India's cultural heritage while reimagining it through contemporary artistic practices, creating platforms that empower communities and inspire future generations.



Born on 5 December 1966 in Salari, Ajmer, Rajasthan, to Shri Ram Singh Rathore and Smt Maan Kanwa, Dharmendra Rathore's artistic journey began amidst the colours and traditions of his homeland. Educated in fine arts at Rajasthan University, Jaipur and the College of Art, New Delhi, he immersed himself in multiple forms such as miniature painting, block printing, pichwai and blue pottery, learning under renowned masters. From illustrating stories at Rajasthan Patrika to teaching and curating, his journey reflects a lifelong devotion to art as a medium of cultural preservation and innovation. Now based in Gurgaon, Haryana, he continues to maintain strong ties with Rajasthan while working towards an art eco-village in Kekri and curating events that celebrate the state's cultural vibrancy.

### Culture, Innovation and Social Impact

Rathore's professional ethos rests on a balance between conserving India's artistic traditions and integrating them into contemporary contexts. Over the past three decades, he has served in pivotal roles, including Advisory Committee Member at the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi and as a lecturer and mentor for aspiring artists. His contributions to the cultural ecosystem of Rajasthan remain profound, blending grassroots engagement with policy-level involvement.

Equally active in social endeavours, he has led initiatives such as Madad (J&K flood relief, 2014), Sattva (2014), Art for Life series (2012–2013) and Rise for Odisha (2019). These projects demonstrate his belief in art as a medium of healing, awareness and empowerment. His jury memberships with institutions such as ICCR, Delhi College of Art, Rajasthan Lalit Kala Akademi and Kurukshetra University highlight his recognition as a national cultural voice.

### Guardian of Rajasthan's Heritage

Deeply rooted in Rajasthan, Rathore continues to nurture its cultural identity through collaborations with artists, organisations and government bodies. His efforts have resulted in dynamic cultural festivals, workshops and exhibitions that safeguard traditional forms while making them relevant to younger audiences. With initiatives like the proposed art eco-village in Kekri, he envisions a hub where heritage meets sustainability and creativity thrives.

Rathore's philosophy transcends art as a personal pursuit, seeing it instead as a collective cultural responsibility. His legacy is defined not only by his canvases but also by the bridges he has built between rural traditions and national platforms, between the past and the contemporary and between art and society.



### The Rathore Dossier

- **Academic Roots:** MFA in Painting (College of Art, New Delhi, 1993); BFA/Five-Year Diploma in Painting (Rajasthan University, Jaipur, 1990)
- **Mentorship:** Learned under masters of miniature painting, block printing, pichwai, blue pottery and batik art
- **Institutional Roles:** Advisory Committee Member at NGMA; lecturer in Jaisalmer; cultural associations with Sanskar Bharti
- **Jury Memberships:** ICCR, Delhi College of Art, Rajasthan Lalit Kala Akademi, Kurukshetra University, CSOI, Pathways School, Shiksha Bharti, Tagore Fellowship, NGMA

### The Achievements Brief

- 1993: In Search of Talent Award by M.F. Hussain, Vadhera Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1994: Ravi Jain Memorial Fellowship, Dhoomimal Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1994: Jag Jeevan Ram Memorial Award, New Delhi
- 1997: "Outstanding Painting" Award, All India Biennial, Rajasthan
- 1998: All India President Award, AIFACS, New Delhi
- 2013–2014: Junior Fellowship, Ministry of Culture
- 2019–2020: Senior Fellowship, Ministry of Culture

# GANPAT KOTHARI

## A Tireless Philanthropist

### Who is Ganpat Kothari:

An industrialist, a philanthropist, a cultural leader

### His Mission Statement:

To create value through enterprise while nurturing society with compassion, cultural preservation and community service.

Ganpat Kothari has established old-age homes, facilitated group marriages and supported widows and distressed women — reflecting his deep commitment to social welfare. His patronage of goshalas, regional cultural festivals, and poet conferences highlights his deep-rooted belief in harmonising tradition with service.

#### Business Ventures & Excellence

With a career spanning multiple sectors — textiles, infrastructure, import-export and film production — Ganpat Kothari has established himself as a versatile entrepreneur. He has served as Vice Chairman of Udaan, Pali Mandal and the Shri Jain Swetambar Terapanthi Sabha in Mumbai, as well as Chief Protector and Founder (Sansthapak) of the Jain International Trade Organisation (JITO).

As a member of the Indian Motion Picture Producers' Association and other prominent film bodies, he has made significant contributions to the film and entertainment industry. His engagement with cinema transcends business, driven by a passion for storytelling and cultural enrichment. These initiatives are not merely commercial—they serve as channels to create livelihoods, ignite artistic expression, and strengthen India's growing global presence.

#### Rajasthan Roots, National Reach

Though based in Mumbai, Ganpat's heart remains firmly rooted in Rajasthan. Having studied in Falna, he has actively supported organisations like Rastrasang Gau Seva Samiti, Pali Mandal, and Falna Mandal—keeping his bond with the state that is not only ancestral but also current and purposeful. His initiatives have brought together migrant Rajasthanis in Mumbai through the Balotra Jasol Pravaasi Sangh and other associations, celebrating their heritage while building platforms for progress.

Born on 8 June 1964, Ganpat Kothari's journey from Jasol, Rajasthan, to Mumbai's industrial and cultural landscape exemplifies entrepreneurship and dedicated service. A graduate in Commerce, he inherited values of hard work and social responsibility from his father, Shri Bhanwarlal Kothari. Today, he stands as a prominent businessman, film producer and community leader, whose enterprises provide employment to thousands and whose social initiatives touch countless lives. Through the Smt Varjudevi Bhanwarlal Charitable Trust, he has spearheaded medical camps, eye check-up drives and blood donation initiatives. His support in education includes scholarships, provision of study materials and organising competitions to encourage young talent.



### The Kothari Dossier

- **Entrepreneurial Leader:** Businesses in textiles, film production, import-export, infrastructure
- **Rajasthan Contributor:** Industrial presence in Pali with 1,000+ workers
- **Institutional Builder:** Vice Chairman, Balotra Jasol Pravaasi Sangh; Trustee, JITO; Patron of multiple cultural bodies
- **Philanthropist:** Founder, Smt. Varjudevi Bhanwarlal Charitable Trust, supporting health, education and social welfare

### The Achievements Brief

- Established leading textile and infrastructure businesses with a strong base in Rajasthan
- Produced films and contributed to the Indian cinema industry through membership in leading film associations
- Organised large-scale medical, educational and cultural initiatives impacting thousands
- Held senior leadership positions across 20+ social and business organisations nationally and internationally
- Recognised for promoting animal welfare, education and cultural heritage alongside industrial growth

# GAUTAM MITHALAL JAIN

## Dyeing Destiny with Vision

### Who is Gautam Jain:

A visionary industrialist and philanthropist who transformed India’s dyestuff industry.

### His Mission Statement:

To lead with innovation, integrity and impact — enriching industry and society alike.



From a small village in Rajasthan to becoming one of India’s leading industrial figures, Gautam Mithalal Jain’s journey embodies foresight, resilience and community spirit. Born in Balotra, Barmer district — the textile hub of India — Jain built an empire that changed India’s chemical landscape. Where India once depended on imports, his ventures helped make the country a global exporter in dyestuffs and chemicals.



#### Transforming Industry with Innovation

Armed with a degree in Chemistry from R.A. Shah Bhavans College and a law degree in taxation, Jain entered the family’s textile business in Ahmedabad. Early on, he realised that tradition alone could not fuel growth — innovation was key. In 1975, with nothing more than scientific curiosity and entrepreneurial courage, he launched his first dyestuff unit at a time when the country lacked indigenous technology for such manufacturing. His initiative succeeded, paving the way for the incorporation of Rahul Dyechem Industries in 1987, which was later transformed into MetroChem Industries Ltd. (MCIL) in 1993.

Under his visionary leadership, MetroChem evolved into Metro Global Ltd., a diversified enterprise recognised globally for its quality-driven R&D culture. With cutting-edge facilities such as Kroma Labs, accredited by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, the company set industry benchmarks for excellence. Jain’s leadership style — strategic yet deeply humane — ensured the firm’s growth from a small manufacturer to one of India’s most respected industrial houses.

The group’s diversification into real estate in 2008-09 further demonstrated his foresight. Today, Metro Global’s portfolio spans residential, commercial and industrial projects, reflecting

Jain’s mantra of consistent and sustainable management. His focus on quality, sustainability and ethics continues to shape every enterprise he builds.

#### Building Communities beyond Business

For Gautam Jain, entrepreneurship is inseparable from social responsibility. He firmly believes that true success is measured by how much one gives back to society. As Chairman of Rajasthan Hospital, Ahmedabad, he has spearheaded numerous healthcare initiatives, including supplying advanced medical equipment to Sumitra Mithalal Heart Hospital and establishing Shanti Niketan School in Balotra under his charitable trust.

He actively supports Mahavir Shiksha Sansthan, Lalji Mehrotra School and Lions Karnavati Eye Hospital, while also being associated with Jain International Trade Organization (JITO) and Rajasthan Seva Samiti. His initiatives have strengthened education, healthcare and community infrastructure in both Gujarat and Rajasthan.

Jain’s integrity is legendary — in 1992, he was recognised by the Central Board of Direct Taxes as the highest tax-payer in Gujarat and the 32<sup>nd</sup> highest in India, a testament to his honesty and transparency.

### The Jain Dossier

- **Chairman & Managing Director:** Metro Global Ltd.
- **Chairman:** Rajasthan Hospital, Ahmedabad
- **Native:** Balotra, Barmer District, Rajasthan
- **Education:** B.Sc. (Chemistry), LLB (Taxation), University of Gujarat
- **Visionary** Entrepreneur & Philanthropist

### The Achievements Brief

- **Founded MetroChem Industries**, transforming India into a dyestuff exporter
- **Received Udyog Patra Award** from President Giani Zail Singh
- **Honoured with Udyog Vibhushan Award** by President Shankar Dayal Sharma
- **Recognised for Outstanding Export Performance** by the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India
- **Recipient of multiple honours** from Gujarat Chamber of Commerce, Dyestuff Manufacturers Associations and Export Promotion Councils
- **Declared one of India’s highest tax payers** (CBDT, 1992)
- **Founder of Sumitra Mithalal Heart Hospital** and Shanti Niketan School, Balotra

# PROF. GOVERDHAN MEHTA

## Crafting Molecules, Shaping Minds

**Who is Prof. Mehta:** A pioneering chemist, visionary educator and global scientific leader.

**His Mission Statement:** To advance chemical science as a bridge between discovery, innovation and societal progress.

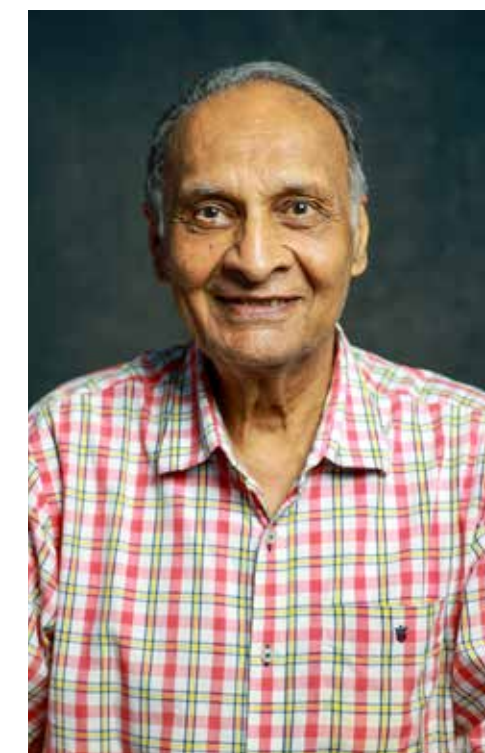
Born in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Prof. Goverdhan Mehta's life embodies the essence of curiosity, creativity and contribution. From humble beginnings in the desert city to global recognition as one of India's foremost chemists, his journey is a testament to intellect shaped by values. His pioneering work in organic synthesis has not only transformed modern chemistry but has also inspired generations of scientists across continents.

### A Journey of Scientific Brilliance

Prof. Mehta's academic path began at Rajasthan University, where his early fascination with molecules grew into a lifelong pursuit. He completed his PhD from Purdue University, USA, before returning to India to contribute to nation-building through science. His career has spanned several prestigious institutions, including the Indian Institute of Technology, (IIT) Kanpur, the University of Hyderabad and the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, where he also served as the Director.

Renowned for his path-breaking contributions in organic chemistry and natural product synthesis, Prof. Mehta's research has enriched the global understanding of molecular design, stereochemistry, and reaction mechanisms. His more than 450 publications and dozens of doctoral mentees have shaped modern chemical thought both in India and abroad. His leadership at the University of Hyderabad turned it into a world-class centre of excellence, while his tenure at IISc marked one of its most intellectually vibrant eras.

Beyond his laboratory, Prof. Mehta's influence extends across global scientific platforms. He has served as President of the Indian National Science



Academy (INSA), President of the International Council for Science (ICSU) and Chairman of the Board of Governors, IIT Jodhpur, representing India's scientific vision at international forums.

### Bridging Knowledge and Nation-Building

Prof. Mehta views science not merely as a discipline but as a service to society. He has consistently advocated for promoting research as an instrument of national development. His speeches and writings highlight that innovation must be deeply rooted in ethics, inclusion and accessibility — that science must touch lives beyond the laboratory.

He has mentored hundreds of young scientists, encouraging them to combine global competitiveness with Indian values of humility and perseverance. His initiatives have advanced collaboration between Indian universities and international research institutions, thus strengthening India's presence in global academia.

At heart, Prof. Mehta remains a teacher — one who believes that "a good scientist is always an eternal student." His life's work symbolises how intellect, when combined with integrity, can illuminate both science and society.

### The Mehta Dossier

- **Born:** Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- **Education:** PhD, Purdue University, USA
- **Former Director:** Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru
- **President:** Indian National Science Academy (INSA)
- **Chairman:** Board of Governors, IIT Jodhpur
- **Specialisation:** Organic Synthesis & Natural Product Chemistry

### The Achievements Brief

- Recipient of Padma Shri (2000) for contributions to science and education
- Fellow of The Royal Society (FRS), United Kingdom
- Awarded the Centenary Medal by the Royal Society of Chemistry, UK
- Elected President, Indian National Science Academy (INSA)
- Recipient of Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize in Chemical Sciences (1978)
- Honoured with the TWAS Medal by The World Academy of Sciences, Trieste, Italy
- Authored over 450 scientific papers and guided more than 90 PhD scholars worldwide

# INDU BAROT

## Voice of Language and Culture

**Who is Indu Barot:** An educator, linguist and cultural ambassador.

### Her Mission Statement:

To preserve and promote Indian languages and traditions, empowering children and youth abroad to stay connected to their roots through education, culture and creativity.



#### Educator and Cultural Advocate

Indu's work is defined by her belief that language is the foundation of cultural identity. Through Gurukul UK, she has provided young learners abroad with immersive exposure to Hindi, Sanskrit and Rajasthani, while also reviving folk traditions through storytelling, festivals and workshops. Even during the pandemic, she ensured continuity through online programmes, reaching learners worldwide and strengthening community bonds.

Her teaching career has included appointments at prestigious institutions such as SOAS University of London, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan and Cambridge University, where she has advanced pedagogy in Indian languages. She is also co-editor of Purvai, a Hindi magazine in London and contributes regularly to journals, anthologies and cultural platforms. By blending academic expertise with community engagement, she bridges the worlds of tradition and modernity, inspiring younger generations to embrace their roots with pride.

#### Champion of Rajasthan's Heritage

Though based in the UK, Indu's connection to Rajasthan runs deep. Having been born in Jaipur and educated in Sikar and Ganganagar, she retains a profound bond with her homeland. Her initiatives, especially Learn Rajasthani Language, are designed

Born in Jaipur and raised in a family deeply rooted in Rajasthan, Indu Barot has dedicated her life to education and cultural advocacy. With advanced degrees in Sanskrit, Acupressure and Computer Science, along with professional training in English from London, she has combined scholarship with social commitment. She began her career as a Sanskrit lecturer in Sikar before moving to the UK, where she has taught at SOAS University, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan and the Cactus Language Centre. Currently serving as an Examiner Specialist at the University of Cambridge and part-time faculty at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, she continues to nurture linguistic excellence across generations. As the Founder of Gurukul UK, she has built a vibrant institution teaching Hindi, Sanskrit and Rajasthani, along with folk arts, dance, storytelling and traditions. Her book Learn Rajasthani Language remains a key resource for the diaspora and her outreach through workshops, festivals and online programmes has inspired cultural pride among hundreds of learners globally.



### The Barot Dossier

- **Academic Scholar:** Ph.D. in Sanskrit; Examiner Specialist, University of Cambridge
- **Cultural Leader:** Founder, Gurukul UK for Indian languages and folk traditions
- **Author:** *Learn Rajasthani Language*, empowering diaspora connections
- **Global Advocate:** Co-editor of *Purvai* and contributor to international journals

### The Achievements Brief

- Pinkat Award by the Indian High Commission, London
- Gilchrist Award for excellence in Hindi pedagogy
- International Setu Award at UK Parliament
- Art Award from the House of Lords, London
- Sahitya Bhushan Samman by Hindi Academy, Mumbai
- Mahadevi Verma Award for contributions to literature and language
- International Ambassador of Peace by the World Literary Forum for Peace and Human Rights

to safeguard Rajasthan's linguistic traditions and give diaspora children a means to connect with their heritage. Festivals and workshops she organises showcase Rajasthani folk arts, cuisine and storytelling, helping sustain cultural continuity abroad.

Her global recognition reflects not only her personal achievements but also her role as a cultural bridge. From receiving honours in India to being celebrated in the UK Parliament, she exemplifies how one individual can carry the heritage of Rajasthan to the world stage while inspiring global appreciation for Indian languages and traditions.

# JAGDISH PRASAD CHOWDHARY



## Leading India on the Success Track

### Who is JP Chowdhary:

A pioneering industrialist and visionary who has revolutionised India’s railway manufacturing landscape.

### His Mission Statement:

To strengthen India’s self-reliance in rail and defence manufacturing by combining indigenous innovation with global technology.

Born in Rajasthan and based in Kolkata, Jagdish Prasad Chowdhary has redefined industrial leadership through his role as the Founder and Chairman of Titagarh Rail Systems Limited (TRSL), one of India’s foremost integrated rail engineering companies. With a legacy spanning over three decades, he has led the transformation of the organisation from a wagon manufacturer to a global player in railway systems, propulsion technology, and metro solutions. His journey reflects the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat, blending Rajasthani grit with modern industrial excellence.

### Industrial Visionary

Under Chowdhary’s leadership, Titagarh Rail Systems has grown from a modest wagon manufacturer into a multinational enterprise with design, manufacturing and service facilities in India and Europe. The company today delivers an integrated portfolio of railway rolling stock—including freight wagons, passenger coaches, metro trains, propulsion systems and defence mobility equipment—positioning itself as a crucial partner in India’s transportation growth story.

Chowdhary’s strategic foresight enabled Titagarh to form technical collaborations with leading global companies, ensuring the transfer of advanced technology and localisation of high-end manufacturing. His acquisition of Firema, Italy, marked a turning point, giving India access to world-class metro coach designs and enabling the “Make in India” rollout of trains such as Pune Metro, Bangalore Metro, and Surat Metro. He has also prioritised sustainability and energy efficiency in manufacturing, ensuring that Titagarh’s plants meet global environmental standards. By investing in modern R&D, digital systems and skill development, he has nurtured a new generation of Indian engineers equipped to compete globally.

### The Rajasthani Entrepreneurial Spirit

Born in Ramgarh, Rajasthan, JP Chowdhary represents the quintessential Rajasthani spirit of enterprise, innovation and perseverance. His deep-rooted values of integrity and hard work, drawn from his Marwari heritage, have shaped his approach to business—where community welfare, principled leadership, and national contribution hold equal importance.

Chowdhary is known for his commitment to social responsibility through educational support, healthcare initiatives and skill development programmes for underprivileged youth. His leadership extends to promoting “Make in India”



advocacy within industry bodies, mentoring entrepreneurs and contributing to policy dialogues that strengthen India’s manufacturing base.

Through Titagarh Rail Systems, he has created large-scale employment, strengthened India’s export potential and helped position the country as a global railway hub. His legacy continues to inspire industrial transformation driven by innovation, quality and national pride.

### The Chowdhary Dossier

- **Born:** Ramgarh, Rajasthan, India
- **Base:** Kolkata, West Bengal
- **Role:** Founder & Chairman, Titagarh Rail Systems Limited
- **Legacy:** Industrial visionary, architect of national progress and pioneer of modern rail systems

### The Achievements Brief

- Transformed Titagarh from a wagon maker into a global railway systems enterprise
- Led successful acquisition and integration of Firema, Italy to bring metro technology to India
- Spearheaded “Make in India” metro train production for Pune, Bangalore, and Surat Metros
- Strengthened India’s rail export potential with European-standard rolling stock
- Advanced localisation of high-end propulsion and coach technologies
- Generated large-scale employment and advanced skill development initiatives
- Recognised across industry forums for contributions to India’s rail and defence sectors

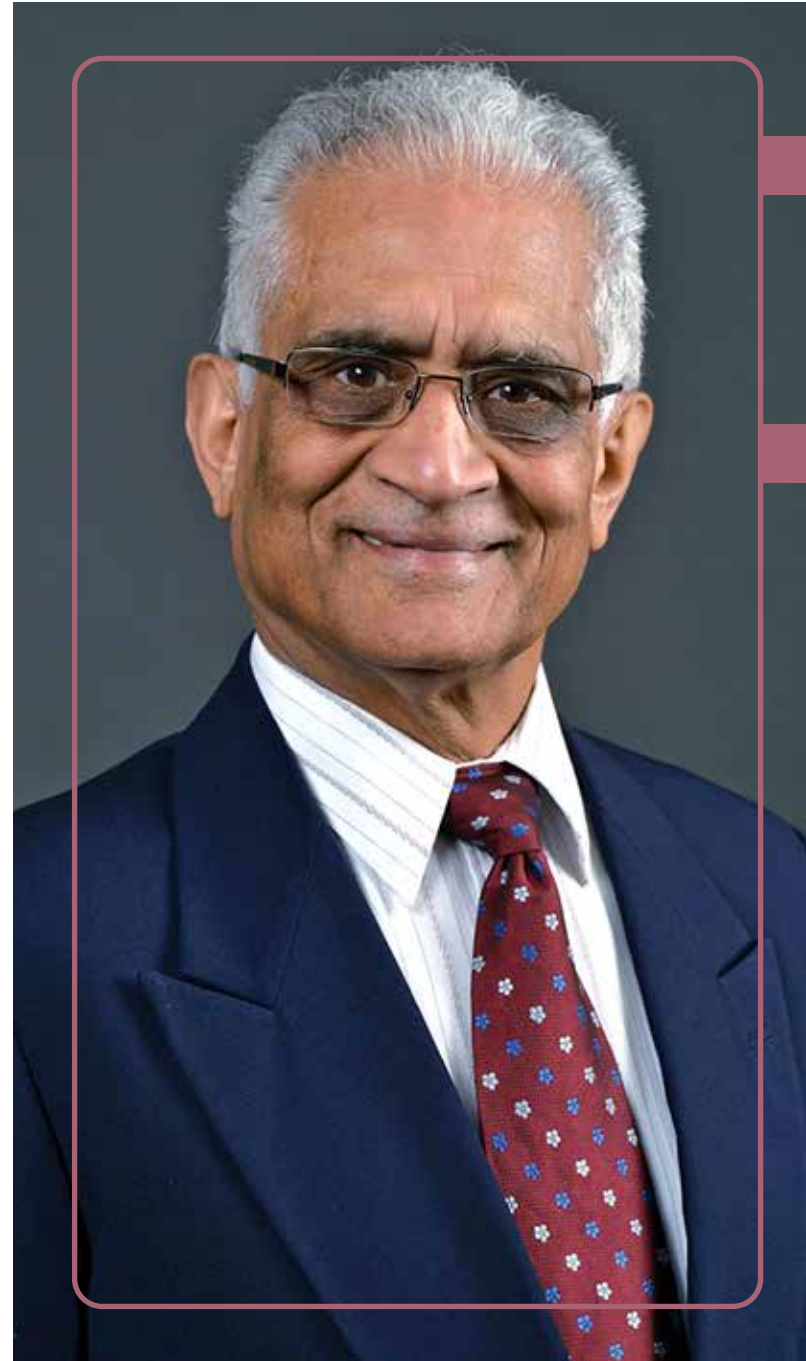
# DR KAILASH BAFNA

## Designing Systems, Shaping Futures

### Who is Dr Kailash Bafna:

A visionary educator and industrial engineer with five decades of teaching, research and leadership.

**His Mission Statement:** To build a generation of engineers who blend analytical excellence with human values to make industries—and lives—more efficient, ethical and impactful.



Dr Kailash Bafna is a name synonymous with academic brilliance and professional integrity. As Professor Emeritus, Department of Industrial and Entrepreneurial Engineering & Engineering Management at Western Michigan University, he stands as one of the most respected Indian-origin educators in American academia. Over a distinguished career spanning more than forty years, he has redefined the teaching and application of industrial engineering, combining scientific precision with social purpose.

#### The Educator's Odyssey

Born in Rajasthan, Dr Bafna's early life was grounded in the values of discipline, diligence and community upliftment—principles that became the foundation of his professional journey. After earning his B.E. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Jodhpur, he moved to the United States to pursue his M.S. and Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering from Oklahoma State University. It was here that his curiosity for systems, productivity and innovation took form—fuelling a lifetime dedicated to education and research.

Dr Bafna began his academic career at Western Michigan University, where he rose through the ranks to become one of its most admired professors. His research on productivity improvement, work measurement, lean manufacturing and quality management became benchmarks in the field. Yet, his true impact lies in the thousands of students he mentored—engineers, leaders and innovators who now serve across continents.

Known for his clarity of thought and human approach to teaching, Dr Bafna transformed classrooms into spaces of curiosity and collaboration. "Engineering," he often says, "is not about machines—it's about people who make those machines work better." This philosophy guided his initiatives to modernise curriculum design, establish cross-disciplinary collaborations and introduce entrepreneurship into engineering education long before it became fashionable.

Under his stewardship, WMU's Industrial Engineering programme evolved into one of the Midwest's most respected, producing globally competent engineers ready for real-world challenges.

#### Leading Innovation and Impact

Beyond academia, Dr Bafna has been a consultant and advisor to industries and public bodies across North America, Europe and Asia. His collaborations with automotive manufacturers, healthcare systems and service organisations have improved operational performance and productivity standards across sectors.

He also played a pioneering role in WMU's Entrepreneurial Engineering Initiative, encouraging students to turn their technical ideas into viable business ventures. Through this, he bridged the worlds of theory and enterprise—ensuring engineers became not only problem-solvers but also visionaries.

Despite decades abroad, Dr Bafna remains deeply connected to Rajasthan. He actively supports education-based philanthropy in the region, mentoring young engineers and providing scholarships to deserving students. His story is that of a man who carried the ethics and curiosity of his homeland into the heart of American academia—and shared them with the world.

#### The Bafna Dossier

- **Professor** Emeritus, Western Michigan University, Michigan, USA
- **Ph.D.**, Industrial Engineering, Oklahoma State University
- **B.E.**, Mechanical Engineering, University of Jodhpur, Rajasthan



#### The Achievements Brief

- Recipient of WMU's Excellence in Teaching Award and Outstanding Service Award
- Honoured by the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers (IISE) for lifetime contributions to education and research
- Developed industry–university collaboration models enhancing manufacturing competitiveness in the US Midwest
- Actively supports STEM education initiatives in Rajasthan, offering scholarships and mentorship

# KESHAV JALAN

## Weaving Legacy into Leadership

**Who is Keshav Jalan:** A visionary industrialist who transformed his family's modest fabric trade into one of India's most respected textile empires.

**His Mission Statement:** To uphold quality, ethics and innovation in every thread, while empowering people and preserving India's textile heritage.

Born on 31 December 1955 in Ranchi, Jharkhand, into a Marwari family originally from Laxmangarh in Rajasthan, Keshav Jalan inherited the values of integrity, discipline and hard work that define his community. His father, Late Deendayal Jalan, carried with him the entrepreneurial spirit of Rajasthan when he moved the family to Varanasi, where he started a small wholesale shop in 1974. The business began humbly — with only a bicycle, few bundles of fabric and unshakable faith.

### A Fabric of Vision and Values

For Keshav Jalan, business is not just an occupation — it is a philosophy. As Chairman of The Jalan Group, he leads with humility, ensuring that every enterprise under his wing serves both purpose and people. His leadership has transformed the company into one of the nation's leading textile conglomerates, employing over 1,000 people and setting benchmarks in ethical business practices.

In 1999, he entered the retail market, opening the first Jalan's store in Varanasi, followed by three more outlets in subsequent years. In 2010, the inauguration of the 150,000 sq. ft. Jalan Wholesale Bazaar marked another milestone, redefining textile retail in North India. Yet, beyond the numbers and expansion, Keshav's story is about staying true to one's roots — in values, community and identity.

A spiritual man who believes that “partnership with God strengthens every step of business,” he attributes his success to divine grace and his parents' blessings. He enjoys art, culture and the simplicity of Rajasthani living. Despite his demanding schedule, he remains deeply connected to his ancestral land, saying, “With every sight I see Rajasthan; with every breeze, I hear my land.”

### Threads of Perseverance

Jalan's early struggles are a masterclass in perseverance. What began as door-to-door trading soon evolved into a recognised name in India's textile heartland. Guided by the conviction that “hard work is a window to the huge compartment of good fortune,” Keshav grew his father's legacy into The Jalan Group — a textile house built on honesty, innovation and service.

Under his stewardship, the company diversified and expanded, becoming a symbol of Indian craftsmanship and enterprise. Rooted in the traditions of Banarasi weaving yet forward-looking in technology and management, The Jalan Group

continues to celebrate India's textile heritage while meeting global standards of quality and design.

### The Jalan Dossier

- **Chairman** – The Jalan Group, Varanasi
- **Founder** – Jalan Wholesale Bazaar and Jalan's Retail Chain
- **Industry Pioneer** – Banarasi Silk and Handwoven Textiles
- **Philanthropist** – Promoter of art, culture and community initiatives
- **Native** of Laxmangarh (Sikar District), Rajasthan

### The Achievements Brief

- Expanded Jalan Group from a single shop to a national textile conglomerate
- Established 150,000 sq. ft. Jalan Wholesale Bazaar (2010), a regional landmark
- Built four successful Jalan's retail outlets, redefining textile accessibility
- Recognised for ethical entrepreneurship and contribution to Indian textiles
- Generated large-scale employment and promoted traditional weaving crafts
- Actively supports art, education and cultural preservation initiatives
- Honoured across India as a symbol of Rajasthani enterprise and integrity



# KULDEEP JOSHI



## Strengthening Ties Across Borders

### Who is Kuldeep Joshi:

A pharmaceutical leader, cultural ambassador and community builder strengthening Indo-Irish ties.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance pharmaceutical excellence while fostering enduring bridges of trade, culture and community between India and Ireland.

Born in Lalsot, Dausa and now based in Cashel, County Tipperary, Ireland, Kuldeep Joshi embodies the modern global professional—rooted in heritage, yet forward-looking in vision. Since moving to Ireland in 2015, he has built an impactful career in the pharmaceutical industry while also emerging as a prominent leader of the Indian diaspora. As Vice Chair of the Ireland India Business Association (IIBA) and a Board Member of the Federation of Indian Communities in Ireland (FICI), Joshi has become a vital link connecting Rajasthan's entrepreneurial spirit with Ireland's innovation ecosystem. His story reflects determination, inclusion and the belief that true progress lies in building bridges across borders.

### Architect of Pharmaceutical Excellence

Professionally, Joshi serves as Senior Director (Head of Quality) and Qualified Person (QP) at Amneal Pharmaceuticals in Cashel, one of Ireland's leading biopharma facilities. His role ensures global compliance, regulatory excellence and operational efficiency. With over a decade of industry expertise, he has established himself as a trusted leader in pharmaceutical quality systems, audits and regulatory affairs.

He also chairs the Quality and Regulatory Affairs Working Group at BioPharmaChem Ireland, where his technical expertise strengthens India-Europe collaborations in the pharma sector. By merging regulatory leadership with international cooperation, Joshi plays a key role in advancing Ireland's reputation as a biopharma hub while supporting India's pharmaceutical outreach.

### Cultural and Community Leader

Joshi is a dedicated cultural advocate. As Vice Chair of IIBA, he spearheaded the Federation of Rajasthan Trade & Industry (FORTI) delegation to Ireland in 2024, opening European markets to Rajasthanis. His leadership opened channels for joint ventures, trade collaborations and cultural exchange, positioning Tipperary as a gateway for Rajasthan in Europe.

As a Board Member of Tipperary Public Participation Network (PPN) and FICI, Joshi promotes diversity, inclusion and cultural awareness. His initiatives—such as organising International Yoga Day celebrations and cultural events—blend Indian and Irish traditions, nurturing community harmony. Through these efforts, he has transformed Tipperary into a microcosm of Indo-Irish unity.

### The Joshi Dossier

- **Pharmaceutical Leader:** Senior Director (Head of Quality), Amneal Pharmaceuticals; Qualified Person (QP)
- **Regulatory Voice:** Chair, Quality & Regulatory Affairs Working Group, BioPharmaChem Ireland
- **Economic Bridge:** Vice Chair, Ireland India Business Association (IIBA); organiser of FORTI's 2024 trade mission
- **Community Builder:** Board Member, Federation of Indian Communities in Ireland (FICI); Board Member, Tipperary PPN
- **Cultural Advocate:** Promoter of Indo-Irish harmony through yoga, festivals and cross-cultural programmes



### The Achievements Brief

- Spearheaded the FORTI delegation to Ireland (2024), opening European markets for Rajasthan
- Strengthened Indo-Irish pharma collaboration through leadership in BioPharmaChem Ireland
- Oversaw regulatory excellence at Amneal Pharmaceuticals, positioning Tipperary as a key pharma hub
- Organised multicultural initiatives like International Yoga Day in Tipperary, fostering inclusivity
- Built strong trade, cultural and community links, amplifying Rajasthan's global footprint

# MAHENDRA GUMANMAL LODHA

## An Industrial Architect

### Who is Mahendra Lodha:

A chartered accountant, an industrialist and a nation builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To create sustainable businesses through sound financial stewardship, industrial innovation and a commitment to community development.

Born in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, in 1955, Mahendra Gumanmal Lodha represents a unique blend of financial expertise and entrepreneurial vision. A Chartered Accountant and Law graduate, he carries with him more than four decades of experience in investment banking, corporate restructuring and project finance. Today, as Chairman of the Lodha Group of Companies, he leads a diversified portfolio that spans specialty chemicals, irrigation systems, infrastructure and financial services. Alongside business success, Mahendra Lodha has remained deeply committed to social responsibility. He has supported major development projects in Gujarat, including a hospital and a girls' school in Valsad in collaboration with the Municipal Corporation and a modern hostel for 350 students in Ahmedabad. These initiatives reflect his belief that education and healthcare form the foundation of a strong society. He is now the Chapter President of Rajasthan Foundation, Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

#### Building Industrial Giants

Under Lodha's leadership, the group has acquired and revitalised several industrial units once considered stressed assets, transforming them into debt-free, high-performing enterprises.

Nitrex Chemicals India Limited: Acquired from ACTIS in 2010, the company has grown to a turnover of ₹460 crore with a net worth of ₹205 crore. A leader in nitrocellulose manufacturing, it now stands as a benchmark in the chemicals sector.

Shree Sulphurics Private Limited: A 2014 acquisition, the company's net worth has increased from ₹25 crore to ₹155 crore, with turnover rising to ₹130 crore. Its success story highlights the group's ability to turn around industries with strategic foresight.

Parixit Irrigation Limited (PIL): Acquired in 2016-17, PIL has become a pioneer in micro-irrigation systems, HDPE and PVC piping and telecom duct solutions. With facilities spread over 100,000 square metres, the company has a strong dealer network of over 200 and serves leading clients such as Tata Communications, Adani and state irrigation boards.

Jaihind Projects Limited (JPL): In 2020, the group took over JPL, an EPC company with a track record of laying 14,000 km of pipelines, city gas distribution projects and water infrastructure. Today, JPL is debt-free and focused on delivering sustainable projects across oil, gas and water sectors. Beyond these core industries, the Lodha Group also manages real estate, corporate lending and investment companies, all of them debt-free and professionally run.

#### Legacy of Excellence

Before turning to industry, Lodha built a stellar career in finance and investment banking. His expertise in corporate finance, restructuring and project execution positioned him as a trusted advisor to leading corporations. This strong foundation has allowed him to steer his industrial ventures with financial prudence and long-term vision.

Today, his sons — Dhananjay, an engineer from Carnegie Mellon and MBA from Columbia and Alankar, an engineer from Imperial College London with an MBA from INSEAD — are actively shaping the group's future, ensuring that global knowledge and innovation drive the next chapter of growth.

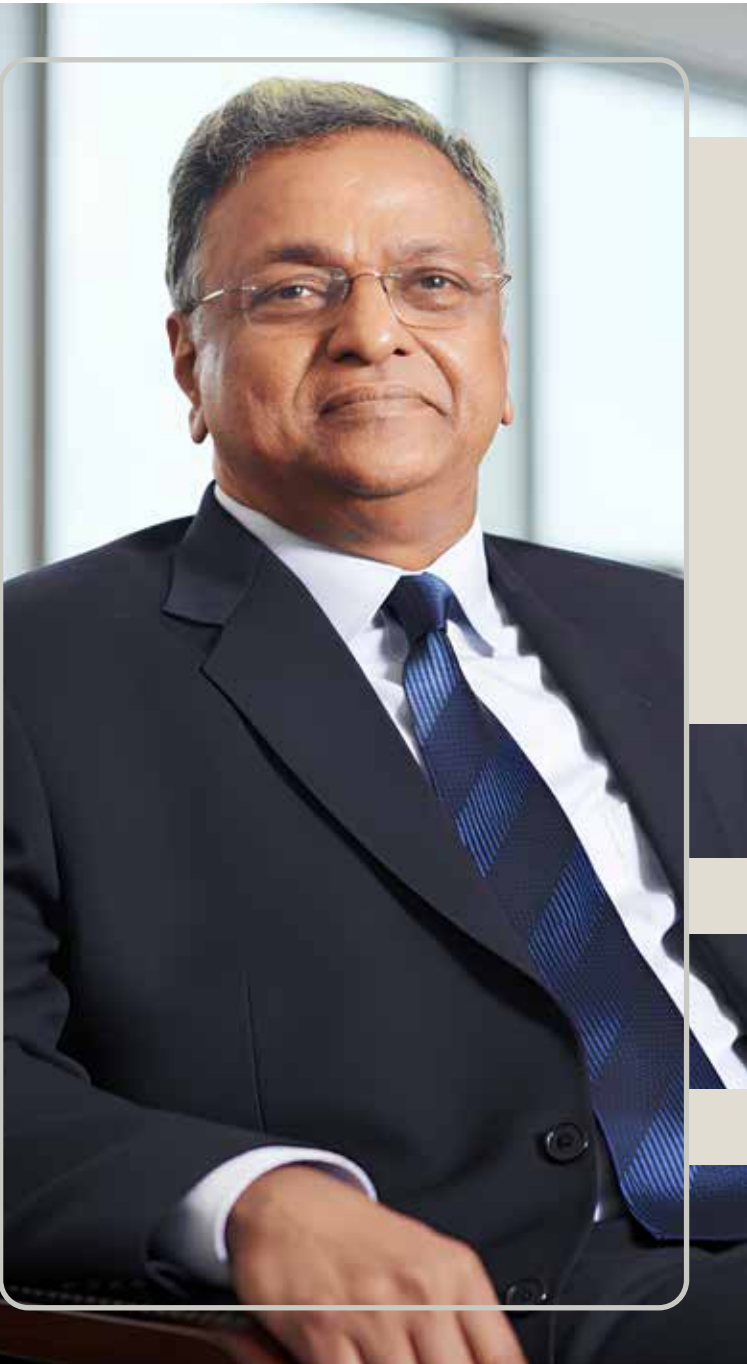
### The Lodha Dossier

- **Chartered Accountant & Lawyer:** 41+ years of professional expertise in finance and restructuring
- **Industrial Leader:** Chairman, Lodha Group of Companies across chemicals, irrigation and EPC infrastructure
- **Rajasthan Roots:** Born in Jodhpur, son of late Justice Gumanmal Lodha
- **Family Enterprise:** Sons Dhananjay and Alankar bring global education and expertise into the group

### The Achievements Brief

- Turned around stressed assets into thriving, debt-free industrial companies
- Expanded Nitrex Chemicals to ₹460 crore turnover with ₹205 crore net worth
- Built Parixit Irrigation into a national leader in micro-irrigation and telecom duct systems
- Revitalised Jaihind Projects Ltd, an EPC company with 14,000 km of pipelines laid
- Contributed to healthcare and education in Gujarat through hospital, school and hostel projects

# MAHENDRA JALAN



## Transforming Tradition into Modern Progress

**Who is Jalan:** Industrial Visionary, Entrepreneur, and Chairman Emeritus of Keventer Group

**His Mission Statement:** To drive ethical and sustainable growth in Eastern India, guided by Rajasthan's values of integrity and compassion.

Born in Shekhawati, Rajasthan, and later settling in Kolkata, Mahendra Kumar Jalan is one of India's most respected industrialists and philanthropists. As the founder of the modern Keventer Group, he played a transformative role in reviving one of India's oldest food brands and expanding it into a diversified conglomerate spanning dairy, food processing, infrastructure and real estate. His life's journey embodies the timeless Marwari ethos—where enterprise becomes a means of social upliftment and progress. Through six decades of visionary leadership, Jalan has built an enduring legacy of business excellence, trust, and national growth.

**A Legacy of Vision and Enterprise**  
Jalan began his career in Kolkata during the early 1960s, a period of rapid industrial change in post-independence India. Recognising the importance of food security and modern processing, he acquired and revitalized the historic Keventer brand, originally founded by Edward Keventer in 1894. Under his stewardship, Keventer evolved into a symbol of quality and trust, pioneering modern dairy and food production in Eastern India.

Guided by his deep belief in innovation and sustainable growth, he diversified the Group into new sectors including real estate, packaging, cold-chain logistics and infrastructure. Through steady expansion and a people-centred philosophy, he built one of Eastern India's most respected industrial houses. Today, the Keventer Group operates across multiple states and exports its products globally — a testament to his far-sighted leadership and relentless pursuit of excellence.

Jalan's professional ethos extends beyond commerce. He has always maintained that business must serve society. This belief has inspired large-scale initiatives in healthcare, education, and rural development through the Group's CSR programmes and personal

philanthropy. His leadership style—rooted in humility, discipline and compassion—has inspired generations of entrepreneurs in West Bengal and beyond.

**Connection with Rajasthan**  
Though his professional base has long been Kolkata, Jalan proudly traces his roots to Shekhawati in Rajasthan, a region known for its entrepreneurial families and community leadership. His Rajasthani upbringing instilled in him the values of self-reliance, simplicity and service. Over the years, he has maintained close links with the Rajasthani diaspora through community associations, educational initiatives and philanthropic support. These connections have ensured that his success always remained tied to the culture and values of his ancestral land.

Throughout his career, Jalan has received wide recognition for his contribution to industry, commerce and social development. Among his many honours are awards from trade associations and chambers of commerce in Kolkata, for his leadership in reviving heritage enterprises and advancing industrial employment in Eastern India. He has been

repeatedly recognised for his contribution to education, healthcare, and rural empowerment, both through the Keventer Foundation and independent charitable efforts. His inclusion in industry forums and advisory boards reflects the high esteem he commands among peers and policymakers alike.

### The Jalan Dossier

- **Born:** Shekhawati, Rajasthan
- **Current Base:** Kolkata, West Bengal
- **Role:** Chairman Emeritus, Keventer Group
- **Legacy:** Industrial pioneer, philanthropist, and custodian of ethical enterprise

### The Achievements Brief

- Revived and expanded the historic Keventer brand into a diversified modern conglomerate
- Established leadership in dairy, food processing, infrastructure, and real estate sectors
- Created large-scale employment and industrial capacity in Eastern India
- Championed ethical and sustainable business practices for over six decades
- Strengthened Indo-Rajasthani cultural and philanthropic ties through social initiatives
- Inspired generations of entrepreneurs through visionary leadership and personal integrity



# DR MAITHILI SHARAN

## Modelling the Winds of Change

### Who is Dr Maithili Sharan:

A pioneering atmospheric scientist and educator redefining how we understand air, climate and environmental dynamics.

### His Mission Statement:

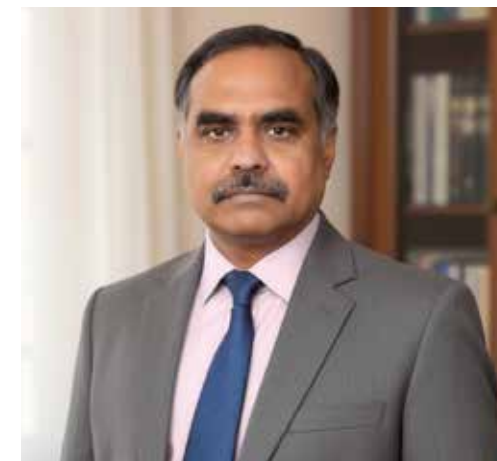
To advance atmospheric sciences through innovation, precision and mentorship that nurtures both scientific excellence and societal responsibility.

For more than four decades, Dr Sharan has been a guiding force in India's pursuit of scientific clarity within the complex world of atmospheric and environmental modelling. As a Professor at the Centre for Atmospheric Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi, he has shaped both research and researchers—building bridges between mathematics, meteorology and environmental policy. Known for his calm intellect and relentless curiosity, Dr Sharan's work has advanced our understanding of air pollution dispersion, boundary-layer meteorology and wind-field modelling, fields that are now central to tackling global climate and urban sustainability challenges.

### Bridging Mathematics and Atmosphere

A brilliant student of Rajasthan University, Dr Sharan completed his Ph.D. in Applied Mathematics from IIT Kanpur, where his analytical brilliance soon found a higher calling in the atmosphere above us. His transition from mathematics to meteorology was not a departure but a natural evolution—one that allowed him to apply mathematical precision to the unpredictable rhythm of nature. Over the years, his research has combined theory with practice, helping governments, industries and urban planners model and mitigate the impact of pollution on air quality and human health.

Dr Sharan's work stands at the confluence of numbers and nature. At IIT Delhi, he has led pioneering studies on atmospheric boundary-layer flows, pollutant dispersion over complex terrains and numerical simulations of air quality. His research has become integral to environmental decision-making and urban planning. As environmental concerns took centre stage globally, Dr Sharan's models helped policymakers and scientists better predict pollutant behaviour—how emissions travel, transform and affect populations across varied geographies.



His collaborations extend across continents, from the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) in the USA to the UK Met Office and from India's Department of Science and Technology (DST) to the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). Each partnership has carried his signature approach—scientific exactitude balanced with practical purpose. His work continues to inform policies in urban air management, meteorological forecasting and disaster mitigation.

### Mentorship, Impact and Legacy

To his students, Dr Sharan is more than a scholar—he is a mentor who believes that good science serves both knowledge and humanity. He has supervised over 20 Ph.D. scholars and mentored countless others who now hold leadership roles in research and academia worldwide. His approach to teaching is rooted in clarity, curiosity and compassion. He often tells his students, *"Knowledge, like air, must circulate freely—it sustains only when shared."*

As an author of over 120 peer-reviewed research papers and several authoritative books, including *Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Modelling and Applications*, his intellectual contributions extend beyond India's borders. His leadership roles in international scientific bodies—such as the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the World Orthopaedic Concern (UK)—underscore his influence in shaping a global discourse on environmental science from an Indian perspective.

Dr Sharan's legacy is not just in his academic output but in the atmosphere of inquiry he has cultivated. Through his vision, IIT Delhi's Centre for Atmospheric Sciences continues to stand as one of the most respected research institutions in the field across Asia.

### The Sharan Dossier

- **Professor**, Centre for Atmospheric Sciences, IIT Delhi
- **Ph.D.** in Applied Mathematics, IIT Kanpur
- **Visiting Scientist**, NCAR, USA and UK Met Office
- **Author** of 120+ publications and books on atmospheric science
- **Member**, Indian Meteorological Society and National Academy of Sciences, India

### The Achievements Brief

- **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award** (Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences, 2003)
- **Fellow**, National Academy of Sciences, India (2005)
- **Fellow**, Indian Meteorological Society
- **Principal Investigator**, National Air Quality and Dispersion Modelling Projects (DST & CPCB)
- **Recognition by ISRO** for excellence in atmospheric research
- **Invited Speaker**, World Meteorological Congress, Geneva
- **Author**, *Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Modelling and Applications* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing)

# PROF. MAN MOHAN SHARMA



## Visionary, Educator and National Innovator

### Who is Prof Sharma:

A scientist, educator and policy advisor

### His Mission Statement:

To advance chemical engineering research and education while serving industry and society.

Born on 1 May 1937 in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Prof. Man Mohan Sharma embarked on an academic journey that would establish him as one of India’s most distinguished chemical engineers. He began his studies at the University Department of Chemical Technology (UDCT, now the Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai), earning his Bachelor of Chemical Engineering in 1958, followed by an M.Sc. (Tech.) in 1960. He then pursued a PhD in Chemical Engineering at Cambridge University under the mentorship of Prof. PV Danckwerts, completing it in 1964. Upon returning to India at the age of 27, he became the youngest professor in UDCT’s history. Later, as the Director of UDCT, Prof Sharma transformed the institution into a premier centre for chemical engineering research and education, attracting talent from across India and internationally. His leadership strengthened academic programmes and facilitated a culture of innovation, rigorous research and collaboration between academia and industry, leaving a lasting impact on chemical engineering education in India.

### Scholar & Innovator

Prof. Sharma’s research contributions are pioneering and wide-ranging. He has authored over 250 research papers and supervised 71 doctoral theses, mentoring students who have gone on to excel globally. His work in multiphase reaction engineering, catalysis and chemical technology has been foundational. In particular, his studies on Brønsted-based catalysis in CO<sub>2</sub> hydration and the kinetics of COS absorption in aqueous amines have significantly advanced the understanding of chemical reaction dynamics, influencing both industrial applications and theoretical models.

### Influencer & Leader

Beyond research, Prof.Sharma has been a major influence on policy and industry. He served on several government committees, advised enterprises and bridged the gap between academic research and industrial practice. As the President of the Indian National Science Academy in 1989–90, he helped shape science and technology policy in India, ensuring that academic excellence translated into practical contributions for national development. In June 2025, Anita Patil’s biography *Divine Scientist* chronicled his life, with former student Mukesh Ambani announcing a ₹151 crore donation to the Institute of Chemical Technology in his honour. Prof. Sharma’s legacy endures through his scientific achievements, mentorship and transformative impact on chemical engineering education in India, exemplifying how one visionary can shape a nation’s future.



### The Sharma Dossier

- **Academic Pioneer:** Professor at 27, later Director of UDCT
- **Prolific Scholar:** 250+ papers, 71 PhDs supervised
- **International Recognition:** First Indian engineer in the university system elected FRS
- **Policy Advisor:** Influential in science and technology governance

### The Achievements Brief

- Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Engineering Sciences (1973)
- Padma Bhushan (1987), Padma Vibhushan (2001)
- Leverhulme Medal of the Royal Society (1996)
- Elevated UDCT into a premier global institution for chemical engineering

# MANGALCHAND CHOUDHARY

## A Cultural Torchbearer, A Humanitarian Leader

### Who is Mangalchand Choudhary:

An entrepreneur, a community builder, a cultural ambassador.

**His Mission Statement:** To empower communities through education, preserve Rajasthan's culture and serve society with compassion across homeland and karmabhoomi.



Born in Sujangarh, Churu, Rajasthan, in 1953, Mangalchand Choudhary's life story is an inspiring testament to resilience and service. Raised in a modest middle-class family, he imbibed values of simplicity and dedication during his schooling years in Sujangarh. After graduating from GHS College in 1971-72, he moved to Pune in 1973, eager to carve out his path. He started as a clerk and through consistent effort and integrity, rose to a trusted leadership role within the organisation. Yet his inner calling for independence led him to resign and pursue entrepreneurship in 1979. The early years were full of challenges, but with determination he built a successful business in Pune.

#### Champion of Education & Leadership

Mangalchand firmly believes education to be the foundation of empowerment, especially for girls. As President of Pune the Jat Samaj and later as leader of the All India Jat Mahasabha - Maharashtra Pradesh, he made education his mission. Under his leadership, scholarships, educational initiatives and awareness programmes became key pillars of community progress.

His leadership extended beyond education into healthcare and social welfare. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he mobilised resources to provide food, shelter and medicines to migrant workers and small business owners in collaboration with the Rajasthan Foundation and Maharashtra Government. His timely support won widespread appreciation from officials and community leaders alike.

While contributing to his karmabhoomi of Pune, Mangalchand has remained deeply connected to his roots in Rajasthan. He has been closely associated with the establishment of the Suksham Arogya Kendra, a 250-bed hospital in Sujangarh, ensuring access to modern healthcare for the people of his native region.

In 2025, he was appointed as President of the Rajasthan Foundation - Pune Chapter by

Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma. As the President, he contributes to Rajasthan's global development by dedicating himself to uniting migrants, promoting education and preserving culture.

#### Custodian of Rajasthani Culture

Mangalchand has always carried the culture of Rajasthan in his heart, ensuring it flourished in Maharashtra. In 2010, he organised Ghoomar, a landmark cultural programme in Pune that celebrated Rajasthani dance and traditions. Two years later, he spearheaded the Rajasthan Festival in Pune - a seven-day extravaganza of art, literature, folk music, cinema, cuisine and handloom. The festival became a cultural milestone, uniting Rajasthanis in Maharashtra and beyond. The souvenir Swarnim Rajasthan was released at the event by Union Minister Shri Lalchand Kataria, marking a proud recognition of Rajasthan's heritage.

Even as he grew professionally, his heart remained devoted to social service. In 2000, he formally entered community life as a founding member and Secretary of his organisation and by 2008, he was elected President of Pune Jat Samaj. His leadership journey since then has been defined by a focus on education, culture and humanitarian service.

### The Choudhary Dossier

- **Entrepreneur:** Built a successful business in Pune after rising from humble beginnings
- **Education Advocate:** Championed girls' education and community empowerment through the Pune Jat Samaj
- **Cultural Ambassador:** Organised Ghoomar (2010) and the Rajasthan Festival (2012) in Pune
- **Humanitarian Leader:** Relief work for migrants and small businesses during COVID-19 pandemic

### The Achievements Brief

- 2008 - Appointed President, Pune Jat Samaj for outstanding community service
- 2010 - Organised Ghoomar in Pune, strengthening Rajasthani cultural identity
- 2012 - Led the Rajasthan Festival, a seven-day cultural milestone in Maharashtra
- 2015 - Elevated as President, All India Jat Mahasabha - Maharashtra Pradesh
- 2020 - Honoured for COVID-19 relief efforts in collaboration with the Rajasthan Foundation and the Maharashtra Government
- 2025 - Appointed President, Rajasthan Foundation - Pune Chapter

# MANISH KALLA

## Driving Industrial Growth

### Who is Manish Kalla:

An industrial leader, a policy influencer and a cultural connector.

**His Mission Statement:** To lead with innovation and integrity, drive East Africa’s industrial growth, and forge global partnerships rooted in Rajasthan’s heritage.



Born and raised in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Manish Kalla personifies entrepreneurial spirit and determination. With over two decades of professional experience, he has built a distinguished career spanning manufacturing, FMCG, construction materials and now steel. Since January 2022, he has served as General Manager of Tembo Steels (U) Ltd, one of East Africa’s leading industrial enterprises. Under his stewardship, the company has expanded its regional footprint across Uganda, Kenya, South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Zambia and Malawi. From his roots in Jodhpur to his leadership in Kampala, Manish Kalla stands as a bridge between Rajasthan and East Africa. An industrial leader, policy advocate and cultural connector, his vision goes beyond business—he is shaping a sustainable, competitive and inclusive industrial future for the region. His journey is proof that with determination, innovation and responsibility, business can be a force for both prosperity and purpose.

### Strategic Business Leadership

Manish's career reflects a steady trajectory of leadership and transformation. Prior to Tembo Steels, he served as the Business Head for Uganda at Karimjee Jivanjee, where he drove market expansion across East Africa. As tBusiness Development Director at Grays Uganda Ltd, he successfully launched Jack Daniel’s Old No.7 in Uganda, a milestone in the region’s FMCG sector. His tenure as General Manager and Board Director at Crestanks Ltd marked another high point, with operations expanded into Kenya, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Tanzania. Earlier, as Country Manager at Aquasan Tanzania Ltd, he built strong expertise in sales, marketing and supply chain across multiple markets.

At Tembo Steels, Manish has spearheaded the commissioning of a 250,000 tonnes per year (TPY) Direct Reduced Iron (DRI) Plant, elevating production capacity and reinforcing Tembo’s position as a leader in sustainable steel manufacturing. His strategic approach combines industrial growth, policy advocacy and sustainability, ensuring that business expansion goes hand in hand with environmental and social responsibility.

For Manish, industrial growth goes hand in hand with social responsibility. Under his leadership, Tembo Steels has supported several children with life-saving heart surgeries, funded education scholarships, provided free oxygen donations during healthcare crises and championed green steel initiatives and tree-planting drives.

### Policy Influence & Institutional Leadership

Beyond corporate growth, Manish plays a pivotal role in shaping Uganda’s industrial landscape and policy framework. He serves as a Board Member of the Uganda Manufacturers Association (UMA), President of the Federation of Rajasthan Trade and Industry (FORTI) Uganda, President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Kampala Chapter, Honorary General Secretary of the Uganda Iron & Steel Manufacturers Association (UGI\_SMA), Treasurer of the Indian Business Forum Uganda, and Chairman of the Presidential Investors Round Table (PIRT) Phase 7 – Minerals. Through these influential platforms, he contributes to driving industrial reforms, enhancing cross-border trade strategies, and advocating pro-business policies. His active engagement with the East African Business Council (EABC) further strengthens regional trade integration and economic collaboration across East Africa.

### The Kalla Dossier

- **Born** in Jodhpur, Rajasthan; now based in Kampala, Uganda
- **22+** years of cross-industry leadership in East & Southern Africa
- **General Manager**, Tembo Steels (U) Ltd since 2022
- **Board Member**, UMA; **President**, FORTI Uganda; **President**, Rajasthan Foundation Kampala
- **Chairman**, PIRT Phase 7 (Minerals)

### The Achievements Brief

- Commissioned 250,000 TPY DRI Plant at Tembo Steels
- Expanded markets across 8 East African countries
- Honoured with Africa Corporate Excellence & Personality Award 2025
- Tembo Steels named Superbrand East Africa 2023 & EAC Quality Award 2024 winner
- Led CSR initiatives including heart surgeries, scholarships and green steel drives
- Africa Corporate Excellence & Personality Award 2025 – for visionary leadership and transformative industrial impact
- Best Brand Developer Award – East Africa Region – for brand strategy and market positioning
- Superbrand East Africa 2023 – awarded to Tembo Steels for strong market presence
- EAC Quality Award 2024 – affirming adherence to regional quality standards
- AIM Congress Award 2025 – positioning Uganda as the 2<sup>nd</sup> best investment destination in Africa

# MONICA GOKALDAS

## Poetry, Spirit and Service

### Who is Monica Gokaldas:

A Reiki Master, poet and cultural advocate.

**Her Mission Statement:** To heal with compassion, to write with purpose and to keep cultural memory alive through service and art.



Monica Gokaldas, 62, is based in Nairobi and has spent more than two decades combining energy healing with literary and cultural work. Born into a Sindhi family who settled in Ajmer after Partition, she trained as a Reiki practitioner in 2000 and became a Reiki Master in 2002. A founding member of the Lotus Healing Seva Group and the Sindhi Welfare Society Kenya, Monica has led sustained healing work at the Faraja Cancer Support Centre, organised forgiveness workshops and community training. She has also published a poetry collection *Fragments of My Mind* (2023). As an editor, contributor and organiser she has compiled and presented a *Book of Welfare Activities* to the President of Kenya in 2024.

### Healing and Community Work

Monica co-founded Lotus Healing Seva Group in 2005-06 and has been at the forefront of its outreach ever since. Her weekly Reiki work at Faraja Cancer Support Centre (2010–2025; ongoing) and annual training for patients, caregivers and volunteers have become a recognised pillar of holistic cancer care in Nairobi. She runs forgiveness workshops, teaches Reiki to marginalised groups including slum school children, senior citizens and widows, and has delivered healing camps in Kenya, Dubai and India. Her community initiatives extend to tree planting drives and long-term support for orphanages, old age homes and special needs schools.

### Poetry and Cultural Advocacy

Monica writes poetry in English, Hindi and Sindhi, using the pen name 'Sikiladi'. Monica's poetry appears regularly in *The Asian Weekly* and she published *Fragments of My Mind* in 2023, a collection that blends heritage, spirituality and social concern. She edits *Hindu Deep* magazine and has compiled the *Book of Welfare Activities* presented to Kenya's President in 2024. Monica organises and moderates *Kavi Sammelans* and cultural festivals, promotes Sindhi language and traditions and has supported pan-Hindu initiatives such as *Shraddh Sankalp Diwas* and International *Bindi Day*, using poetry and public events to deepen cultural awareness.

### The Gokaldas Dossier

- **Reiki** Master since 2002; Reiki practitioner since 2000; Founder member, Lotus Healing Seva Group (2005/06)
- **Founding** member, Sindhi Welfare Society Kenya; Kenya representative, Ayodhya Foundation
- **Author** of *Fragments of My Mind* (2023); pen name Sikiladi; Editor, *Hindu Deep* magazine
- **Led** regular Reiki healing at Faraja Cancer Support Centre (2010–2025) and trained marginalised groups
- **Languages** - English, Hindi, Sindhi

### The Achievements Brief

- Recognised among the 101 Influential Women of India by Brijbhoomi Foundation (2022)
- Sindhu Ratna Award, Sindhi Welfare Society (2024)
- Award from Hindu Council of Kenya for free Reiki training to senior citizens (2023)
- Represented Sindhi at Antarashtriya Matrbhasha Utsav (2022 and 2023)
- *Nari Shakti Ko Pranam* accolade by Brijbhoomi Foundation (2017)
- Copyright registration for *Fragments of My Mind* (Kenya Copyright Board, RZ49760)
- Appreciation from Ayodhya Foundation for leading Shraddh Sankalp Diwas and related advocacy



# MOTI LAL DUGAR

## A Rare Blend of Business and Polity

### Who is Moti Lal Dugar:

An entrepreneur, a statesman and a philanthropist.

### His Mission Statement:

To serve Nepal through industry, politics and philanthropy, while upholding his Rajasthani heritage with pride and purpose.

Born on 20 April 1960 in Biratnagar, Nepal, Moti Lal Dugar represents a rare blend of entrepreneurship, politics and philanthropy. A Nepalese citizen of Rajasthani origin, he has spent over four decades shaping the country's industrial and political landscape. As a successful businessman, he chairs and manages some of Nepal's most prominent companies. As a leader in public life, he has served as Minister for Industry, Supply & Commerce, Member of Parliament and Advisor to Prime Minister Hon. K. P. Sharma Oli. Beyond these roles, his philanthropic work through the Hari Singh Usha Devi Dugar Charitable Trust has transformed countless lives in health, education and social welfare. A proud son of Rajasthan and a devoted citizen of Nepal, he continues to inspire by demonstrating that true leadership lies in building bridges—between business and politics, between heritage and progress and between nations themselves.

#### Entrepreneurial Leadership

At the helm of the Dugar Group of Companies, Moti Lal Dugar has diversified into food processing, hospitality, chemicals, manufacturing and insurance. The portfolio includes Dugar Spices & Food Products Pvt. Ltd, Dugar Edibles Pvt. Ltd, The Centurion Hotel Pvt. Ltd and Harrison Hotel Pvt. Ltd, Asia Chem Pvt. Ltd and Centaur Overseas Pvt Ltd, National Silicate Industries, National Pipe Industries and National Polymer & Chemical Industries, Ruby International, Asian Life Insurance Company Ltd. among others.

Through these ventures, he has contributed to job creation, industrial diversification and economic progress in Nepal. His vision has always been to balance commercial success with service to society, ensuring that his enterprises create opportunities and long-term value for the nation.

Dugar's social contributions are as impactful as his business success. As President of the Hari Singh Usha Devi Dugar Charitable Trust, he has made meaningful contributions to healthcare, education, and community development. In addition, he serves as the Director of Asian Life Insurance Co. Ltd. and has held influential positions in trade and merchant

organisations such as the Morang Merchant Association and the Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Morang.

#### Political Leadership

Dugar's political journey is deeply interwoven with his business acumen. As a Member of the Constituent Assembly and Parliament of Nepal, he contributed to shaping the country's democratic framework. His tenure as Minister for Industry, Supply & Commerce was marked by reforms aimed at strengthening Nepal's trade and industrial sectors.

As a senior figure within the UML (Unified Marxist-Leninist) Party, he has held positions, including In-Charge of the Industry & Commerce Department and Central Committee Member. His influence has reached across borders as well, having served as a ZRUCC Member of the Indian Railway Board, symbolising his ability to build regional connections.

His role as Advisor to Prime Minister Hon. K. P. Sharma Oli underscores his standing as a trusted statesman with the ability to align business, governance and diplomacy. No wonder he was elected as the President of Rajasthan Fopundation, Kathmandu (Nepal) Chapter.

### The Dugar Dossier

- **Born:** 20 April 1960, Biratnagar, Nepal
- **Native roots:** Jaipur, Rajasthan
- **Current base:** Kathmandu, Nepal
- **Family:** Wife – Shobhana; Children – Ankita, Ayushi, Aditya
- **Roles:** Industrialist, Parliamentarian, Former Minister, Advisor to PM

### The Achievements Brief

- Chairman of leading businesses across food, hospitality, chemicals and insurance
- Served as Minister for Industry, Supply & Commerce, Nepal
- Member of Parliament and Constituent Assembly
- Advisor to Prime Minister Hon. K. P. Sharma Oli
- President, Hari Singh Usha Devi Dugar Charitable Trust
- Lifelong member of Nepal Red Cross Society
- Featured in The Times of India in 2019 as the Minister of Nepal
- The Kathmandu Post profiled him in an interview titled "I am a businessman and also a full-time politician" in 2022



# NAGENDRA SINGH ROY

## Visionary in Technology and Service

### Who is Nagendra Singh Roy:

A global technology entrepreneur, mentor and philanthropist shaping futures with innovation and compassion.

### His Mission Statement:

To harness technology and leadership for business excellence while uplifting communities through service, mentorship and opportunity creation.



Born in Kanore, near Udaipur, Rajasthan, in 1977, Nagendra Singh Roy embodies resilience, purpose and vision. Today the CEO of AANSEACORE and founder of Swasti Sansthan, he has journeyed from small-town beginnings to becoming a recognised leader in global technology and social impact. Inspired by his father, Dr Rajyavardhan Singh Roy—a respected Ayurvedic doctor and academician—Nagendra inherited values of discipline, service and integrity. His career began as an IT Executive near Udaipur, followed by roles with Tech Mahindra and IBM India, where his leadership potential quickly stood out. Through determination and adaptability, he rose to international prominence, establishing himself as an entrepreneur in the United States and a changemaker whose influence extends far beyond business.

#### Architect of Global Technology

In 2019, Nagendra founded AANSEACORE, a technology solutions enterprise headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, with operations across the USA, Canada and India. His vision was simple yet profound: not merely to do different things, but to do things differently. Built on the core values of Respect, Integrity, Innovation and Excellence, the company quickly earned recognition as a trusted global partner.

AANSEACORE's services span IT Talent Acquisition, Cloud-based Enterprise Solutions and Digital Transformation initiatives. Under Nagendra's leadership, it has enabled businesses worldwide to navigate complex technological challenges with confidence. The company's growth reflects his belief that business must combine innovation with a human touch. Today, AANSEACORE is more than an organisation—it is the realisation of his dream to merge values with global impact.

Nagendra also serves on the Advisory Board of SAUPO, Kennesaw State University (Georgia, USA), where for over half a decade he has contributed to strengthening Asia-US partnerships in business, education and technology. His thought leadership further

extends through his role as the President of PMI Atlanta Chapter, one of the largest chapters of the Project Management Institute globally.

#### Philanthropist and Mentor

Nagendra's commitment to service is reflected in the founding of Swasti Sansthan in 2018, guided by the motto “ना कश्चिद् दुःखमाग्न भवेत्”—“May no one suffer.” Through initiatives in healthcare, education and wellness, the organisation has brought hope and dignity to underprivileged communities in India. His plans to establish Swasti Sansthan Global Centres of Health and Wellness and the AANSEACORE Global Academy for Advanced Learning promise to expand this impact even further. Equally important is his role as a mentor. Having experienced a gap in mentorship during his formative years, he has made it a mission to mentor students and young professionals worldwide. Through structured programmes and informal guidance, he inspires the next generation to pursue excellence with resilience and integrity.

By fostering equal opportunities, job creation and skill development, particularly for youth in Rajasthan, Nagendra has combined entrepreneurship with empowerment—building a legacy that transcends profit.

### The Roy Dossier

- **Technology Entrepreneur:** Founder & CEO, AANSEACORE, with operations in the USA, Canada and India
- **Social Innovator:** Founder, Swasti Sansthan, improving healthcare, education and wellness for underprivileged communities
- **Global Voice:** Advisory Board Member, SAUPO, Kennesaw State University;
- **Industry Expertise:** Cloud solutions, digital transformation, management consulting, customer success and competency building
- **Mentor:** Actively guiding students and professionals worldwide, with a special focus on Rajasthan's youth

### The Achievements Brief

- President of PMI Atlanta Chapter, advancing global project management excellence
- Nominated for PBSA Awards for leadership and innovation
- Recognised globally for entrepreneurship and community service



# NARENDRA BHANDARI

## Blending Science and Spirituality

### Who is Narendra Bhandari:

A pioneering space scientist, global science leader and advocate of the scientific foundations of Jain philosophy.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance planetary exploration while harmonising science and spirituality through knowledge, research and service.

Born in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, in 1940, Professor Narendra Bhandari rose from a modest academic background to become one of India’s foremost space scientists. After completing his Master’s in Physics from Rajasthan University and PhD from the University of Bombay, he embarked on a career that spanned Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, the University of California at San Diego and the Physical Research Laboratory (ISRO), Ahmedabad. He was among the first group of scientists in the world to study Moon samples brought by NASA’s Apollo missions and USSR’s Luna missions. As founder of ISRO’s Planetary Sciences and Exploration (PLANEX) programme, he played a central role in conceptualising India’s first mission to the Moon, Chandrayaan-1, which discovered water on the lunar surface. Beyond science, Professor Bhandari has been deeply engaged in Jain philosophy, where he has pioneered a scientific understanding of ancient concepts. His life’s work reflects a rare blend of cutting-edge scientific discovery and philosophical inquiry.

### Exploring the Cosmos

Professor Bhandari’s contributions to space science are foundational to India’s planetary exploration. He developed novel detectors for cosmic rays and radioactivity, conducted pioneering research on meteorites and brought new insights into atmospheric physics, hydrology, glaciology and catastrophic mass extinctions. At ISRO, he led divisions in Geocosmophysics, planetary sciences and hydrology, shaping research agendas for decades.

He chaired the PLANEX programme at ISRO, was a key member of the Moon Mission Task Force for Chandrayaan-1 and served on the Science Advisory Board and Instrument Selection Committee for



India’s Mars Orbiter Mission. He represented India in international scientific forums, including NASA, ESA, JAXA, CSA and served as President of the International Lunar Exploration Working Group, coordinating lunar exploration strategies among global space agencies. His leadership extended to UNESCO, where he represented India at the golden jubilee of Yuri Gagarin’s spaceflight.

### Bridging Science and Spirituality

For over two decades, Professor Bhandari has also engaged deeply with Jain philosophy, striving to establish its scientific foundations. He has delivered lectures worldwide, from Ahmedabad and Udaipur to Los Angeles and Chicago and served as the Chief Editor of the *Proceedings of the Jain Academy of Scholars*. He organised the First International Conference on Jain Philosophy at IIT Bombay in 2016 and has helped institutions like Sumandeep Vidyapeeth, Jain University Bangalore and Bhagwan Mahavir International Research Centre, Ladnun, to integrate philosophy with scientific perspectives.

As President of the Jain Academy of Scholars, he continues to lead dialogues on subjects such as karma theory, matter, knowledge and rebirth. His books — including *The Mysterious Moon* and *India’s Chandrayaan-1 Mission and Scientific Perspectives of Jain Philosophy* — bridge two seemingly different worlds. By doing so, he has inspired both scientists and spiritual seekers to embrace a more integrated worldview.

### The Bhandari Dossier

- **Space Pioneer:** Conceptualised and led PLANEX and Chandrayaan-1 science planning
- **Global Leader:** President, International Lunar Exploration Working Group
- **Scholar:** Authored 350+ scientific papers and 40+ works on Jain philosophy
- **Philosopher:** President, Jain Academy of Scholars and organiser of global Jain conferences

### The Achievements Brief

- ISRO Outstanding Achievement Award for contributions to India’s space programme
- Vikram Sarabhai Award in Planetary and Space Sciences
- NASA Special Recognition Certificate (1979) for lunar sample analysis
- National Mineral Award by Government of India
- Service Award, Meteoritical Society (USA, 2026)
- Lifetime Achievement Award, Institute of Jainology
- JAINA Global Award (USA, 2025)

# DR NARENDRA BHATI

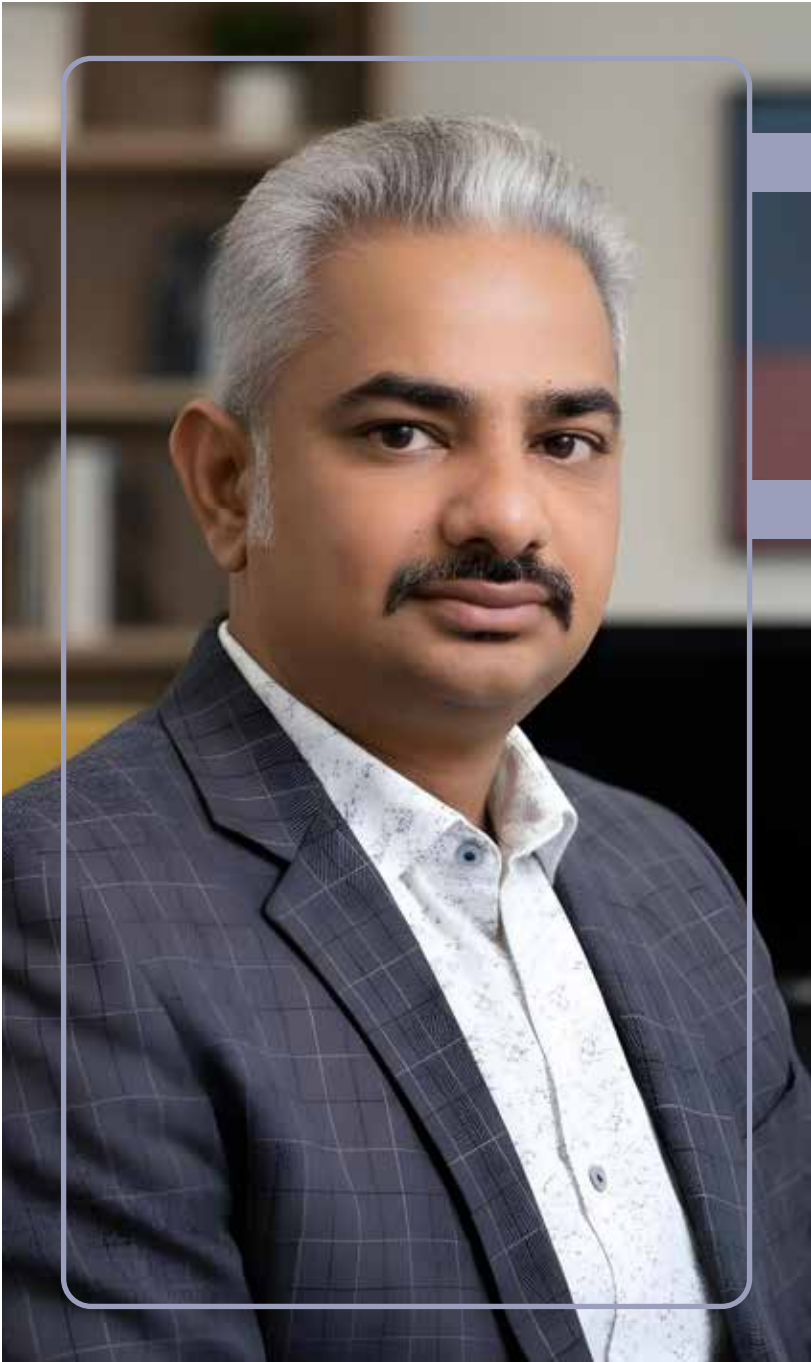
## Business Leader, Innovator, Philanthropist

### Who is Dr Narendra Bhati:

A respected entrepreneur and community leader shaping industries and empowering societies across Zambia and beyond.

### His Mission Statement:

To promote business excellence while nurturing social responsibility and community advancement.



Dr Narendra Singh Bhati is a distinguished business leader and philanthropist, known for his commitment to innovation, enterprise and service. With a versatile career spanning manufacturing, engineering, food processing and investments, he has made a strong imprint on industry and community life alike. Based in Lusaka, Zambia, Dr Bhati balances entrepreneurial leadership with an unwavering dedication to philanthropy and cultural engagement. His influence extends through his leadership roles in several companies and associations, making him a respected voice in both business and social spheres.

#### Enterprise and Leadership

With extensive experience in managing diverse industries, Dr Bhati has excelled in guiding organisations to growth and success. As Director of Southern Switchgear, Magetsi Engineering, Supreme Pipes and Polymers Ltd, Dripping Industry Ltd and more, he has built a reputation for strategic vision and operational expertise. His role as Chairman of the Rajasthan Association of Zambia further reflects his ability to combine commerce with community development.

Beyond business, Dr Bhati has represented India's entrepreneurial spirit internationally as Country Representative for the Federation of Trade and Industry of India. He has also held leadership positions in cultural and philanthropic bodies, including Rotary Club of Lusaka Metro and Maharashtra Mandal Lusaka, amplifying his impact on global community networks.

#### Community Engagement and Impact

Dr Bhati's efforts go far beyond commerce. His founding role in the Stronger Together Foundation and his honorary doctorate in philanthropy underscore his dedication to social causes. From supporting healthcare and education initiatives to fostering inter-community harmony, he remains deeply engaged in initiatives that uplift society. As Chairman of the Rajasthan Association of Zambia, he has successfully connected diaspora communities with their roots, fostering cultural pride and solidarity.

His recognition with a Business Award by FTTI and an Honorary Doctorate in Philanthropy highlight both his entrepreneurial achievements and his social commitments. Through his work, Dr Bhati continues to inspire future generations to pursue success while giving back to society.

### The Bhati Dossier

- **Age:** 40
- **City, State:** Lusaka, Zambia
- **Native Place:** Gaju, Nagaur, Rajasthan
- **Leadership Roles:** Chairman – Rajasthan Association of Zambia
- **Business Roles:** Director – Southern Switchgear, Magetsi Engineering, Dripping Industry Ltd, Supreme Pipes and Polymers Ltd
- **Community Roles:** Trustee – Maharashtra Mandal Lusaka; Ex-Chairman – Maharashtra Mandal; Ex-Vice President – Rotary Club of Lusaka Metro

### The Achievements Brief

- **Business Award** by FTTI for leadership in industry and commerce
- **Honorary Doctorate** in Philanthropy for contributions to social causes
- **Expanded diverse enterprises** across manufacturing, engineering and food processing
- **Strengthened diaspora connections** through Rajasthan Association of Zambia
- **Promoted community upliftment** via the Stronger Together Foundation
- **Advocated cultural engagement** and social responsibility through various international forums

# NARENDRA HIRAWAT

## Icon of Cinema and Enterprise

### Who is Narendra Hirawat:

A visionary entrepreneur, film distributor and producer who has preserved and expanded Indian cinema’s reach across the globe.

**His Mission Statement:** To safeguard India’s cinematic heritage, adapt to evolving entertainment landscapes and deliver quality content to audiences worldwide.

Born and raised in Jaipur, Rajasthan, Narendra Hirawat has spent over four decades shaping the entertainment industry. In 1980, he ventured into film distribution with Meri Awaaz Suno, later expanding into a remarkable career as a distributor, rights-holder and producer. By 1987, he moved to Mumbai, the heart of India’s film industry, where he built what is now one of the largest film libraries in the country—comprising over 2,500 films across multiple Indian languages. His vision has ensured that legendary classics and contemporary blockbusters alike remain accessible to future generations. Simultaneously, Hirawat has successfully ventured into the diamond jewellery business, embodying adaptability and entrepreneurial foresight. His enterprises—NH Studioz, NH Jewels and Narendra Hirawat & Company—demonstrate a unique ability to balance tradition with innovation, cultural preservation with global expansion.

### Architect of Film Heritage

Hirawat’s influence in Indian cinema is far-reaching. He began with cult classics such as *Roti, Kajal* and *Amar Akbar Anthony*, gradually amassing rights to thousands of films that now form a rich and diverse library. In doing so, he became not just a distributor but also a custodian of cinematic heritage.

Through NH Studioz LLP, he introduced modernised distribution and post-production services, including dubbing, VFX and digital rights management—vital in an era of shifting technologies and OTT platforms. As a producer and distributor, he backed both commercial spectacles like Ajay Devgn’s *Shivaay* and critically acclaimed dramas such as *Pink*, displaying his commitment to balancing mass entertainment with meaningful content.

Despite facing financial setbacks with high-profile projects like *Tubelight* and *Jab Harry Met Sejal*, his resilience and innovation enabled him to steer through challenges, keeping NH Studioz relevant and respected.

### Pioneer in Policy and Business

Beyond business operations, Hirawat has become a respected voice in policy and copyright protection. In 2024, he was elected to the Committee of Administration (CoA) of the Services Export Promotion Council (SEPC), representing India’s films and entertainment sector. His advocacy highlights the importance of safeguarding intellectual property in an age where piracy and digital disruption threaten creative industries.

Through NH Jewels, he has also diversified into luxury jewellery, continuing a legacy of excellence

that extends beyond cinema. His ability to blend two very different industries—film and jewellery—underscores his entrepreneurial acumen and adaptability.

### The Hirawat Dossier

- **Film Distributor & Producer:** Over 40 years in Indian cinema; owner of 2,500+ film titles across Hindi and regional languages
- **Entrepreneur:** Founder of NH Studioz LLP, NH Plus Entertainment, Narendra Hirawat & Company and NH Jewels



- **Preservationist:** Built one of India’s largest private film libraries, safeguarding classics and blockbusters for future generations
- **Policy Contributor:** Elected member of SEPC’s Committee of Administration (2024), representing films and entertainment
- **Industry Innovator:** Introduced modern distribution, dubbing, VFX and digital rights management through NH Studioz

### The Achievements Brief

- **Mid-Day Showbiz Icon Awards (2019):** Honoured as Iconic Film Distributor for exceptional contribution to cinema
- **Mid-Day International Icon Awards (2021):** Recognised as Pioneer for Copyright, underscoring his role in IP protection
- **Outlook Business Feature (2025):** Named among India’s Best CEOs, highlighting NH Studioz as an “Invisible Powerhouse”
- **SEPC Election (2024):** Appointed to the Committee of Administration, representing the Indian entertainment sector at a policy level
- **Produced and distributed films across genres,** from mainstream hits (*Shivaay*) to socially impactful dramas (*Pink*)
- **Built one of India’s most comprehensive film catalogues,** preserving cinematic heritage across seven languages

# NARSIRAM DULARAM KULARIA



## Master of Interior Innovation

**Who is Narsiram:** A pioneering entrepreneur and a philanthropist.

**His Mission Statement:**

To blend tradition with innovation, empower communities through skill and education and create world-class interior solutions that reflect excellence, sustainability and integrity.

Born in 1965, in Silwa village near Nokha, Bikaner, Rajasthan, Narsi Kularia arrived in Mumbai in 1981 with little more than the carpentry heritage of his Suthar community. Over the decades, he has built a formidable business empire while staying rooted in values of discipline, hard work and service to society. Inspired by his late father, Sant Dularam Ji, who believed in both craftsmanship and community service, Narsi has expanded his company into a nationally respected brand while simultaneously championing causes in healthcare, education, skill development and animal welfare.

**Architect of Interior Excellence**

After early work experience in Oman alongside international architects, Narsiram returned to India and established his firm in Mumbai in 1986. His foresight to adopt factory-based production of interiors gave him an edge in speed and quality—essential for multinational clients.

With two advanced manufacturing facilities at Kandivali and Turbhe, equipped with European CNC and indigenous machines, his company delivers high-quality, eco-conscious designs aligned with LEED Green Building standards. The Narsi Group has become a pan-India turnkey interior solutions provider, blending tradition with cutting-edge technology.

Signature achievements include prestigious projects such as the New Parliament Building, Bharat Mandapam, ITPO Delhi and large-scale corporate interiors. His leadership not only built a trusted brand but also created employment for over 5,000 workers in the interior and furniture sector.

**Social Advocate and Philanthropist**

While his professional success is remarkable, Narsiram’s legacy extends far beyond business.

As Co-Chairman and later Chairman of the Furniture & Fitting Council under the National Skill Development Corporation (2020–23), he championed Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) programmes, certifying over 4,000 carpenters across 11 states. He was honoured as “Kaushal Sarthi” for his outstanding contribution to skill development.

His philanthropy covers healthcare, education and animal welfare. He funded the Sant Dularam Kularia Community Health Centre in Bikaner with state-of-the-art facilities, supported hospitals across India and donated generously during the COVID-19 pandemic. In education, he has contributed crores to schools and colleges across Rajasthan, building classrooms, hostels and community halls.

Equally committed to social and cultural causes, he has supported gau seva, famine relief, river-cleaning drives, memorials and national initiatives including the Shri Ram Janm Bhoomi Tirth Kshetra at Ayodhya. His charitable contributions exceed hundreds of crores, reflecting a life dedicated to service as much as to enterprise.

**The Kularia Dossier**

- **Industry Leader:** Founder of Narsi & Associates (1986); CMD, Narsi Interior Infrastructures Pvt. Ltd. (2008)
- **Interior Pioneer:** Delivered iconic projects including the New Parliament Building, Bharat Mandapam and corporate campuses
- **Skill Development Champion:** Chairman, Furniture & Fitting Council; certified 4,000+ carpenters under RPL
- **Philanthropist:** Major contributions in healthcare, education, social service and animal welfare across Rajasthan and India
- **Employer & Mentor:** Providing livelihoods to over 5,000 workers while uplifting traditional craftsmanship



**The Achievements Brief**

- Built a ₹700-crore enterprise with Pan-India presence and global standards
- Led turnkey interiors for the New Parliament Building and Bharat Mandapam
- Recognised with Appreciation Certificate (2023) by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- Honoured as Kaushal Sarthi (2018) by the Skill Development Council of Bharat
- Multiple appreciation letters from TCS, Wipro, Kotak Mahindra Bank and Asian Paints
- Executed rapid-response projects such as COVID care hospitals in record timelines
- Philanthropic contributions in health, education, gau seva and national causes

# NAVRATAN AGGARWAL

## Preserving Tradition, Building a Global Brand

### Who is Navratan Aggarwal:

An entrepreneur, a custodian of culinary heritage and a global brand builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To take the authentic taste of Rajasthan to the world while upholding tradition, quality and trust.



Navratan Aggarwal's journey from the historic lanes of Bikaner to becoming the Director of Bikanervala is a story of tradition meeting modern entrepreneurship. At 61, he represents the third generation of a family deeply rooted in Rajasthan's culinary culture. His forefathers crafted sweets and savouries in Bikaner and those recipes and values became the foundation of his vision. For him, Rajasthan is not only a place of origin but also the identity and pride that anchor his work.

#### Entrepreneurial Visionary

Today, as the Director of Bikanervala, Aggarwal has transformed a family-run sweet shop into an internationally admired brand. Under his leadership, Bikanervala has expanded across India and entered global markets including the United States and the Middle East. He steered the company into new categories—packaged snacks, ready-to-eat foods and restaurants—while maintaining the authenticity of traditional flavours.

Bikanervala's growth has been achieved without losing its essence. The brand stands as a symbol of trust and quality, bridging heritage and modern consumer needs. His leadership has ensured the preservation of culinary traditions while elevating them to international recognition.

Recognised as a key figure in India's food and hospitality sector, Aggarwal has been honoured with awards for quality, innovation and entrepreneurship. Bikanervala has received accolades as a leading brand in *mithai* and *namkeen*, while his leadership is celebrated in industry forums for elevating a family legacy into a global enterprise. These honours reflect his dual commitment to tradition and progress.

#### Cultural Ambassador & Innovator

By modernising production facilities with state-of-the-art technology, he has set benchmarks for hygiene, consistency and global standards in India's sweets and snacks industry. His work has opened pathways for Indian ethnic foods to enter packaged and ready-to-eat markets worldwide, making the flavours of Bikaner accessible far beyond Rajasthan.

Through this, he has also created large-scale employment and strengthened India's culinary presence on the global stage. His approach blends cultural preservation with innovation, ensuring that heritage adapts to changing times.



### The Aggarwal Dossier

- **Global Entrepreneur:** Director of Bikanervala, leading international expansion
- **Institution Builder:** Expanded from a family shop to hundreds of outlets worldwide
- **Innovator:** Introduced packaged and ready-to-eat traditional foods globally
- **Custodian of Culture:** Preserved Rajasthani taste and values in every product

### The Achievements Brief

- Expanded Bikanervala to international markets, including the U.S. and Middle East
- Diversified into packaged snacks, ready-to-eat products and restaurant chains
- Established modern manufacturing facilities ensuring global quality standards
- Honoured with awards for innovation, quality and excellence in the Indian food industry
- Recognised for showcasing India's culinary heritage on the global stage





# NAWAL KISHORE GODARA

## A Link across Borders

### Who is Nawal Kishore:

A first-generation entrepreneur who transformed a vision into a global enterprise.

### His Mission Statement:

To grow with integrity while empowering people and communities through sustainable trade and trust.

Entrepreneurship is often born from necessity but thrives on conviction. Nawal Kishore Godara, the Founder and Managing Director of Godara Brothers, Dubai, embodies this belief through a journey that began in the heart of Rajasthan and found its wings in the global business capital of the Middle East. Born and raised in Churu district, Rajasthan, Nawal grew up in an environment where perseverance and resourcefulness were second nature. His early years were shaped by strong family values, simplicity and an unwavering sense of self-belief — qualities that would later define his professional success. With limited resources but boundless ambition, he ventured abroad in search of opportunities, carrying nothing but the lessons of hard work and honesty from his homeland. Dubai, in the 1980s, was a city in the making — its skyline rising alongside the dreams of those who came to build it. For Nawal, it was both a challenge and a calling.

#### A Journey Rooted in Values

Nawal's journey was never just about profit — it was about purpose. He often says, "My father taught me that your word is your wealth; protect it more than gold." This principle continues to guide every decision at Godara Brothers, where relationships matter as much as results.

Through four decades of enterprise, he has built not just a business empire but a bridge of goodwill connecting Rajasthan with the Middle East. In 1985, he laid the foundation of Godara Brothers, a company that began with modest trading operations and evolved into a diversified enterprise with interests spanning construction materials, real estate, import-export and logistics. His business acumen, combined with a reputation for fairness and transparency, earned him enduring trust among partners and clients across the Gulf region and India. Under his stewardship, Godara Brothers became known for its ethical trading practices and commitment to quality.

Even as his business flourished, Nawal remained deeply connected to his roots. He is a proud Rajasthani whose heart beats for his homeland. He has supported numerous social and cultural initiatives — from educational sponsorships to healthcare drives — across Rajasthan, particularly in his native district. His belief is simple yet profound: "We may live abroad, but our karma must always honour our *janmabhoomi*."

#### Legacy of Enterprise and Empathy

Beyond the boardroom, Nawal is recognised as a mentor, philanthropist and cultural ambassador. He has helped many Indian expatriates establish their

footing in the Gulf region, extending guidance and support with generosity. His leadership reflects quiet strength — a blend of business wisdom and human warmth.

In an era where success is often measured by scale, Nawal defines his achievements by impact. Through decades of work, he has created employment for hundreds, contributed to regional economic growth and cultivate cross-border collaboration that upholds the values of trust and mutual respect.

Looking ahead, he envisions Godara Brothers as a multi-generational legacy — a platform for innovation and social contribution that will continue to strengthen the bond between Rajasthan and the world.

### The Godara Dossier

- **Founder & Managing Director**, Godara Brothers, Dubai
- **Pioneer** in construction materials and import-export trade since 1985
- **Philanthropist** supporting education and healthcare initiatives in Rajasthan
- **Mentor** to young entrepreneurs across India and the Middle East
- **Known** for ethical leadership and community building in the Gulf region



### The Achievements Brief

- Built Godara Brothers into one of the most reputed trading houses in Dubai
- Recipient of the Global Rajasthani Award for Business Leadership
- Recognised by the Indian Business and Professional Council (IBPC), UAE for excellence in trade
- Key supporter of Rajasthani Pravasi events promoting cultural unity
- Led CSR initiatives for education and rural development in Rajasthan
- Celebrated for over four decades of entrepreneurship in the UAE

# NEELESH MEHTA

## Transformational Leader Across Borders

### Who is Neelesh Mehta:

Finance pioneer, governance expert  
and mentor with global impact.

### His Mission Statement:

To integrate profitability with purpose,  
building resilient businesses and  
empowered communities.



Neelesh Mehta, FAICD, FCPA, is a trailblazer who has combined sharp financial acumen with a deep sense of social responsibility. From creating India's first listed brokerage house to establishing Jaipur Asset Management in Australia, he has built businesses that thrive on sustainability and innovation. Today, his leadership shapes companies, charities and industries across continents — always with an eye on integrity and impact.



### Rajasthan Roots and Global Vision

Born into a family from Jodhpur, Rajasthan, Neelesh remains closely connected to his heritage. His wife's family resides in Jaipur and every India visit includes time in Rajasthan, whether meeting family, visiting temples, or exploring cultural landmarks. These roots continue to inspire his philosophy of blending tradition with global enterprise.

Through the Australian Association of Jains (AAJ), he has mentored more than 100 first-time entrepreneurs, many from Rajasthani backgrounds. By combining cultural pride with business expertise, he has helped nurture a new generation of leaders who carry Rajasthan's values into global markets.

### Leadership in Business and Community

Neelesh's professional journey reflects both commercial success and social impact. He founded Jaipur Asset Management, pioneering Australia's first India-focused sustainable investment fund and earlier built India's first listed brokerage house. At the helm of Texas Peak Group, he transformed a single-product distributor into a leading conglomerate across Australia and New Zealand.

His governance contributions are equally noteworthy. On the boards of Futurity Investment

Group (a US\$1.5 billion group), RSPCA Australia and RSPCA Victoria, he has strengthened institutions that touch millions of lives. He revitalised The Gawler Cancer Foundation from near-insolvency to stability and, as Chair of We Ride, secured US\$ 500 million in federal cycling infrastructure funding — the largest in Australia's history.

### The Mehta Dossier

- **Founder:** Launched Jaipur Asset Management, pioneering sustainable investment platforms
- **Pioneer:** Founded India's first listed brokerage house, revolutionising financial services
- **Leader:** Transformed Texas Peak Group into a market leader in Australia & New Zealand
- **Governance Expert:** Board member – Futurity Investment Group, RSPCA Australia & Victoria
- **Community Mentor:** Guided 100+ entrepreneurs through AAJ



### The Achievements Brief

- Established India's first listed brokerage house
- Established Australia's first India-focused sustainable investment fund
- Diversified Texas Peak Group into a trans-Tasman conglomerate
- Revitalised The Gawler Cancer Foundation and stabilised RSPCA Victoria
- Chaired We Ride, securing US\$ 500 million for cycling infrastructure
- Awarded IABCA Business Leader of the Year (2023)
- Honoured with the Rajkov Community Award (2024)

# PANKAJ PHOPHALIYA

## Finance Leader and Cultural Ambassador



### Who is Pankaj Phophaliya:

A Chartered Accountant, Company Secretary and strategist balancing corporate success with cultural preservation.

### His Mission Statement:

To deliver financial excellence while nurturing community spirit and keeping Rajasthani traditions alive across borders.

Born in Jodhpur, Rajasthan and now based in Muscat, Oman, Pankaj Phophaliya has built an impactful career spanning over 15 years in finance, audit, compliance and business strategy. Since 2012, he has served as Head of Finance & Accounts for a leading FMCG distribution company, where he manages multi-location operations, ensures statutory compliance and contributes to strategic decision-making. Beyond finance, his role extends into administration, logistics, marketing insights and legal advisory. Recognised for leadership and results-driven execution, Pankaj combines technical acumen with broader business insight. At the same time, his deep cultural roots have inspired him to lead community initiatives in Oman, ensuring that the Rajasthani spirit thrives abroad.



#### Architect of Financial Excellence

With qualifications as a Chartered Accountant, Company Secretary, Bachelor of Law and Diploma in Export Management, Pankaj exemplifies multidisciplinary expertise. His professional journey reflects consistent success in financial planning, governance, taxation and reporting. As Management Representative for ISO-22000, he has ensured compliance with global benchmarks, strengthening his company's reputation and operational excellence. Known for implementing robust internal controls, optimising working capital and aligning financial practices with long-term strategy, he has earned recognition as a trusted partner to business leadership. His career demonstrates how finance professionals can transcend conventional roles to become integral contributors to growth and sustainability.

#### Custodian of Culture Abroad

Alongside his professional achievements, Pankaj remains deeply connected to his roots. As an active member of the Rajasthani Wing of the Indian Social Club in Oman, he has played a key role in preserving and promoting Rajasthan's culture within the diaspora. From organising traditional festivals to encouraging inclusive gatherings, his initiatives help younger generations stay connected to their heritage while inviting people of diverse backgrounds to share in Rajasthan's warmth and traditions. These efforts have not only strengthened community bonds but also reinforced cultural pride among Non-Resident Rajasthanis. For Pankaj, professional excellence and cultural commitment go hand in hand, reflecting the ethos that identity and values travel with us wherever we go.

### The Phophaliya Dossier

- **Chartered** Accountant, Company Secretary, Law graduate and Export Management diploma holder
- **Head** of Finance & Accounts, FMCG distribution company, Muscat, Oman
- **Management** Representative for ISO-22000 compliance and standards
- **Expertise** in financial strategy, governance and business growth
- **Community** champion through Rajasthani Wing, Indian Social Club, Oman

### The Achievements Brief

- Over 15 years of experience in finance, audit, compliance and strategy
- Successfully implemented financial controls and optimised working capital
- Partnered with leadership in strategic planning and business growth
- Represented organisation for ISO-22000, ensuring international compliance
- Preserved and promoted Rajasthani traditions in Oman through cultural leadership

# PAWAN BANSAL

## Heritage, Industry and Service Rooted in Rajasthan

### Who is Pawan Bansal:

Entrepreneur, Social Leader and  
Custodian of tradition.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance industrial growth,  
educational advancement and  
community service while preserving  
the cultural values of Rajasthan  
across generations.



Born on 11 January 1977, Pawan Bansal hails from a family with deep roots in Nagaur, Rajasthan, though established in Hyderabad for over a century. Today, he stands as an entrepreneur, educationist and community leader whose contributions span business, society, and culture. As proprietor of Vishal Garments, he is a recognised name in the textile and garment trade of Telangana, while his leadership roles in multiple trade bodies and social organisations reflect his vision of balanced growth—economic and social alike. As a community leader, he continues to honour his roots as President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Hyderabad Chapter.

#### A Legacy of Service

The Bansal family migrated from Rajasthan to Hyderabad over 135 years ago, in search of livelihood and ever since then, they have contributed immensely to the city's social and cultural fabric. His grandfather, late Sri Jethmalji Bansal, was a devoted freedom supporter and founder of key institutions such as the Rajasthan Bhawan Trust and the Rajasthani Pragati Samaj. He even contested the Hyderabad MP seat in 1995 and played an active role in both the Hyderabad Mukti Sangram and the Goa Mukti Sangram.

His father, Sri Parmanand Bansal, further expanded this legacy as a founder-member of the Agrawal Samaj Andhra Pradesh and served in senior positions in RSS, ISKCON and various community trusts. His long-standing work in education, religious organisations and industry associations left a strong impression on his son, who grew up surrounded by ideals of service and discipline. Bansal's social commitment mirrors his business leadership. He serves as the Director of Sri Vidyaranya International School and as the

District Treasurer of Sri Saraswati Vidya Peetham, Telangana, promoting education as the foundation of empowerment.

#### Business Associations

Carrying forward the family business, Bansal manages Vishal Garments, under the parent firm Ranglal Jethmal Bansal. His leadership has helped modernise garment wholesale and distribution in Hyderabad. Beyond business, he has held several prominent positions in trade bodies:

Garments Manufacturers & Wholesalers Association, Telangana – Ex-President, Chairman of the Fair Committee and Convener of the Taxation Committee.

Andhra Pradesh Hosiery Association (APHA) – Secretary (2008–12), Working Committee Member and Editor of its publications.

Through these associations, he has organised trade fairs, taxation seminars and policy representations, benefitting the wider business community.



### The Bansal Dossier

- **Born:** 11 January 1977, Hyderabad
- **Native roots:** Nagaur, Rajasthan
- **Profession:** Garment entrepreneur, community leader
- **Legacy:** Third generation of family service in Hyderabad
- **Current base:** Hyderabad, Telangana

### The Achievements Brief

- Ex-President, Garments Manufacturers & Wholesalers Association, Telangana
- Secretary Andhra Pradesh Hosiery Association (2008–12)
- President, Sri Vidyaranya International School
- Treasurer, Sri Saraswati Vidya Peetham
- RSS Sangh Aayu: 35 years
- Outstanding Young Person Award recipient
- Invited as Guest of Honour at the Gujarat Garments Manufacturers Association
- Invited as Honourable Guest at zonal-level science fairs at Sri Saraswati Vidya Peetham

# PRADIP KUMAR CHOPRA

## Builder of Institutions and Ideas

**Who is Pradip:** An entrepreneur,  
educationist, author and cultural leader.

### His Mission Statement:

To inspire and empower through  
innovation in real estate, education  
and cultural preservation while  
building institutions that shape future  
generations.



Born in Gangashahar, Bikaner and raised in Kolkata, Pradip Kumar Chopra represents a legacy that blends Rajasthani roots with national impact. After graduating in Chemistry from St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, in 1973 and pursuing further training in management, hospitality and German language, he co-founded the PS Group, one of India's most respected real estate enterprises. Alongside business success, he channelled his passion into education by founding iLEAD – The Institute of Leadership, Entrepreneurship and Development – now ranked among India's leading media and management schools. His vision is not only entrepreneurial but cultural: as President of the Murshidabad Heritage Development Society and a member of national cultural bodies, he continues to preserve heritage while mentoring new generations.



### Entrepreneur, Educator and Visionary Leader

Chopra's professional journey spans multiple sectors. As co-founder of the PS Group, he helped establish one of the most reliable names in Indian real estate, setting benchmarks in sustainable and community-focused development. His commitment to design and innovation has led to recognition for pioneering green building and adaptive reuse projects.

Education, however, remains closest to his heart. As Chairman of iLEAD, he has created a Stanford Seed certified, UGC-approved institution that offers world-class undergraduate and postgraduate programmes across management, media, design, technology and allied health. With infrastructure built largely from upcycled materials, the iLEAD campus itself stands as a model of sustainability. The institute has been recognised by KPMG, The Economic Times and ASSOCHAM for its innovation and excellence. Through this institution, Chopra continues to empower youth with hands-on, practice-based learning and entrepreneurial skills.

### Champion of Heritage and Culture

Deeply rooted in Rajasthan, Chopra honours his ancestry by promoting Rajasthani culture, cuisine and folklore across Bengal. He owns property in his native town of Gangashehr and visits regularly, strengthening his ties to the land. Beyond his personal heritage, he champions India's wider cultural preservation as President of the Murshidabad Heritage Development Society and as a member of the Indian Historical Society and INTACH.

As an author and columnist, he has written extensively on real estate, education, personal development and relationships. His books and regular contributions to national dailies including *The Hindu*, *The Times of India*, *Hindustan Times*, *The Telegraph* and *The Statesman* reflect his ability to connect with diverse audiences. As a guest faculty at premier management institutes, he continues to mentor students and professionals alike. For Chopra, business, education and heritage form an interconnected mission of service, growth and inspiration.

### The Chopra Dossier

- **Entrepreneur:** Co-founder of PS Group; Chairman Emeritus guiding its growth
- **Educationist:** Founder & Chairman of iLEAD, a Stanford Seed certified institution
- **Cultural Advocate:** President, Murshidabad Heritage Development Society; promoter of Rajasthani heritage in Bengal
- **Thought Leader:** Author of several books and columnist for leading national dailies

### The Achievements Brief

- 2000: Plasticon Award for industry contribution
- 2015: ASSOCHAM Award for education excellence
- 2017: HUDCO Design Award, 1<sup>st</sup> Prize (Green Building, retrofitting an old tannery)
- 2018: St. Gobain–*Times of India* Smart Green Award for adaptive reuse in public space
- 2024: TechEdu Award for innovation in higher education
- 2024: Realty Plus Award to PS Group
- 2025: Envirocare Global Award for sustainability leadership

# DR PRAKASH MADHAVDAS HEDA



## Fixing Bones, Healing Lives

### Who is Dr Prakash Heda:

A pioneering orthopaedic surgeon,  
educationist and humanitarian.

### His Mission Statement:

No one

should be denied treatment because of  
lack of money or facilities—healthcare  
must be for all.



Born in 1946 to Madhavdas and Rukminidevi, Dr Heda grew up in modest surroundings, guided by his grandfather's advice to pursue education above all else. Those words shaped a young boy who studied under trees in rural schools, determined to make knowledge his path to service. Initially aspiring to be an engineer, a chance encounter at Nagpur Medical College altered his course forever—he realised his calling was not to build machines but to heal people. Native of Borawar, Rajasthan, now settled in Nairobi, Dr Heda continues to champion his Rajasthani heritage and Indian roots wherever he goes.

### From Villages to Visionary

After earning his MBBS and Master's in Orthopaedics, he began his medical career at JJ Hospital and GS Medical College in Mumbai, later becoming one of the youngest consultants at ESTS Hospital Andheri. His professional path could have taken him to lucrative opportunities in the UK or the US, but his conscience led him to Kenya, where medical facilities were scarce and the need for skilled doctors immense. "I wanted to be where I was most needed," he recalls.

In Nairobi, he faced challenges, including restrictions on private practice. Yet what seemed a setback opened a new chapter—he entered academics as a lecturer in orthopaedic surgery at the University of Nairobi. Today, he is the Pro Chancellor of Lukenya University, alongside his continuing role as Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon at The Nairobi Hospital. His leadership has extended across global associations, including serving as Vice President of SICOT, the world's largest body of orthopaedic surgeons and as a key figure in international accident and trauma medicine forums.

### Service beyond Surgery

What distinguishes Dr Heda is not only his surgical expertise but also his enduring commitment to humanity. Deeply rooted in values passed down by his family, he has always believed that success is incomplete unless it uplifts society. In Washim, he started a free health club and built a multipurpose hall for community use. In Kenya, he

became a bridge between his adopted home and his motherland, spearheading initiatives like bringing the Jaipur Foot Project to East Africa, restoring dignity to thousands of differently-abled people.

Youth empowerment has been central to his mission. Through his Spring Board initiative, he mentors and supports young people, ensuring they can dream bigger and achieve more. His cultural advocacy is equally strong—he chairs the Hindi Samiti in Kenya, preserving the language and values that connect Indians abroad with their roots. As Patron of Maharashtra Mandal, Nairobi, he embodies the spirit of cultural continuity.

### The Heda Dossier

- **Pro** Chancellor, Lukenya University, Kenya
- **Consultant** Orthopaedic Surgeon, The Nairobi Hospital
- **Vice** President, SICOT (World's largest Orthopaedic Surgeons' organisation)
- **Regional** Secretary, International Association for Accident & Traffic Medicine
- **Patron**, Maharashtra Mandal, Nairobi; Chairman, Hindi Samiti

### The Achievements Brief

- Recipient of Order of Grand Warrior of Kenya
- Conferred Elder of the Order of Burning Spear (Kenya)
- Honoured with Pravasi Bharatiya Samman by Government of India
- Awarded Goodwill Ambassador for Peace by The Golden Rule International
- Doctorate of Professorship Award for academic contributions
- Introduced Jaipur Foot Project to East Africa
- Founder of Spring Board youth empowerment initiative

# PRAVEEN KUMAR JAIN

## Entrepreneur of Scale and Purpose

**Who is Praveen K Jain:** A global entrepreneur, visionary leader and community builder.

**His Mission Statement:** To strengthen global food security and climate d through ethical enterprise while empowering communities through education, livelihoods and cultural engagement.



Born in Jodhpur and raised in a family of educationists, Praveen Kumar Jain has carried the values of learning and service into the world of global enterprise. A Chartered Accountant by training, he began his career with the Aditya Birla Group, rising to President – Asia Pacific at Aditya Birla Global Trading. In 2007, he founded Valency International, which today operates across 41 markets with 16 subsidiaries, 21 product categories and a workforce of more than 3,000 professionals. Headquartered in Singapore, Valency partners with British International Investment (BII) to advance food security, climate adaptability and inclusive growth, with a turnover nearing US\$ 1 billion. Alongside enterprise, Jain has remained deeply connected to his Rajasthan roots, serving as Past President of Marwari Mitra Mandal Singapore, Head of JITO Singapore and an active member of the Rajasthan Foundation - Singapore Chapter. His journey reflects the balance of entrepreneurial scale with social responsibility.

### Global Enterprise, Local Roots

Under Jain's leadership, Valency International has emerged as a global leader in agri-commodities and food ingredients. Its growth has been defined not only by financial success but also by a commitment to sustainability, ethical trade and innovation. The company's recognition through awards such as Enterprise 50, SME1000, the SBR National Business Award and the Dun & Bradstreet Business Eminence Award underscores its credibility and impact.

Equally significant is Jain's devotion to his heritage and community. His upbringing in Rajasthan, where his father served as Director of College Education and later the first Vice Chancellor of Jain Vishwabharti Institute, shaped his lifelong focus on education. Today, through initiatives such as ShapingFuture.in, he supports underprivileged students in pursuing higher education and actively champions women's livelihood generation. His efforts through Marwari Mitra Mandal, JITO Singapore and Rajasthan Foundation - Singapore Chapter further strengthen diaspora bonds and mobilise resources for cultural and educational causes.

### Driving Impact Beyond Business

For Jain, enterprise is inseparable from purpose. Through Valency's global operations, he has enhanced food security, empowered smallholder farmers and built sustainable supply chains in Asia and Africa. His philanthropic vision extends to expanding

education, improving healthcare and promoting women's empowerment, while also exploring opportunities to attract strategic investment into Rajasthan's tourism sector. By blending grassroots initiatives with global strategies, he demonstrates that prosperity and social good can move hand in hand.

His legacy lies in redefining entrepreneurship as a tool for impact—where building a billion-dollar enterprise is as much about uplifting communities as it is about global leadership.



## The Jain Dossier

- Founder & Chairman:** Valency International, spanning 41 markets and 16 subsidiaries
- Finance Expert:** Chartered Accountant; former President – Asia Pacific, Aditya Birla Global Trading
- Community Leader:** Past President, Marwari Mitra Mandal Singapore; Head of JITO Singapore; Rajasthan Foundation Singapore Chapter
- Philanthropist:** Founder of ShapingFuture.in, supporting education and women's empowerment

## The Achievements Brief

- 2019: Singapore 1000 Company recognition
- 2020: SME 100 Fast Growing Companies Award, Singapore
- 2022: Inspirational Leader of Asia, White Page International
- 2022: National Business Award, Retail Category
- 2024: Dun & Bradstreet Business Eminence Award (Gold Category)
- Enterprise 50 Award, Singapore

# PRAVEEN KUMAR SHARMA



## A Real Estate Visionary

### Who is Praveen Sharma:

Chartered Accountant, entrepreneur and mentor with over 28 years of experience in the GCC region.

### His Mission Statement:

To democratise real estate investment while empowering communities through trust, transparency and shared growth.

Praveen Kumar Sharma, Founder & CEO of Meteora Group and Meteora Developers, is a finance professional turned real estate leader in Dubai. With a career spanning more than three decades across the GCC, he has built a reputation for ethical business practices and visionary leadership. Beginning his career with PKF and Deloitte before venturing into entrepreneurship in 2003, he has since created thriving ventures in real estate investment, development and property technology. Today, Meteora Developers is delivering over 1 million sq. ft. of residential projects in Dubai, while its DIFC-based crowdfunding platform Maisour allows global investors to enter the Dubai property market with investments as small as AED 500. A son of Bhilwara, Rajasthan, Sharma's journey reflects grit, community-mindedness and the ability to transform challenges into opportunities.

### Rajasthan Roots and Global Leadership

Born in Banera, District Bhilwara, Praveen's early years were grounded in simplicity and education in local government schools. After graduating from MLV Government College, Bhilwara, he pursued Chartered Accountancy in Mumbai, completing his CA in 1996. Soon after, he moved to Dubai, where he steadily rose through corporate finance roles before establishing his own ventures. Despite his global success, Praveen has stayed deeply connected to his Rajasthani roots. Over nearly three decades in Dubai, he has mentored and supported more than 100 young professionals, particularly accountants from Rajasthan, by arranging visas, accommodation and job placements. This chain of goodwill endures, embodying his belief that success is most meaningful when shared.

### Business and Innovation

Praveen founded The One Point Group in 2007 and later launched Meteora Developers (2022) to focus on premium residential development; Meteora now manages multiple projects exceeding a million square feet. In 2024, he launched Maisour, a DIFC-based property-crowdfunding platform that democratizes investment in Dubai real estate by allowing fractional ownership and monthly rental income for small investors. Across these ventures he combines access to capital, development expertise and a horizontally integrated operational network to deliver projects with strong post-sales support and transparency. His approach emphasises customer service, long-term partner relationships and innovation in financing structures.



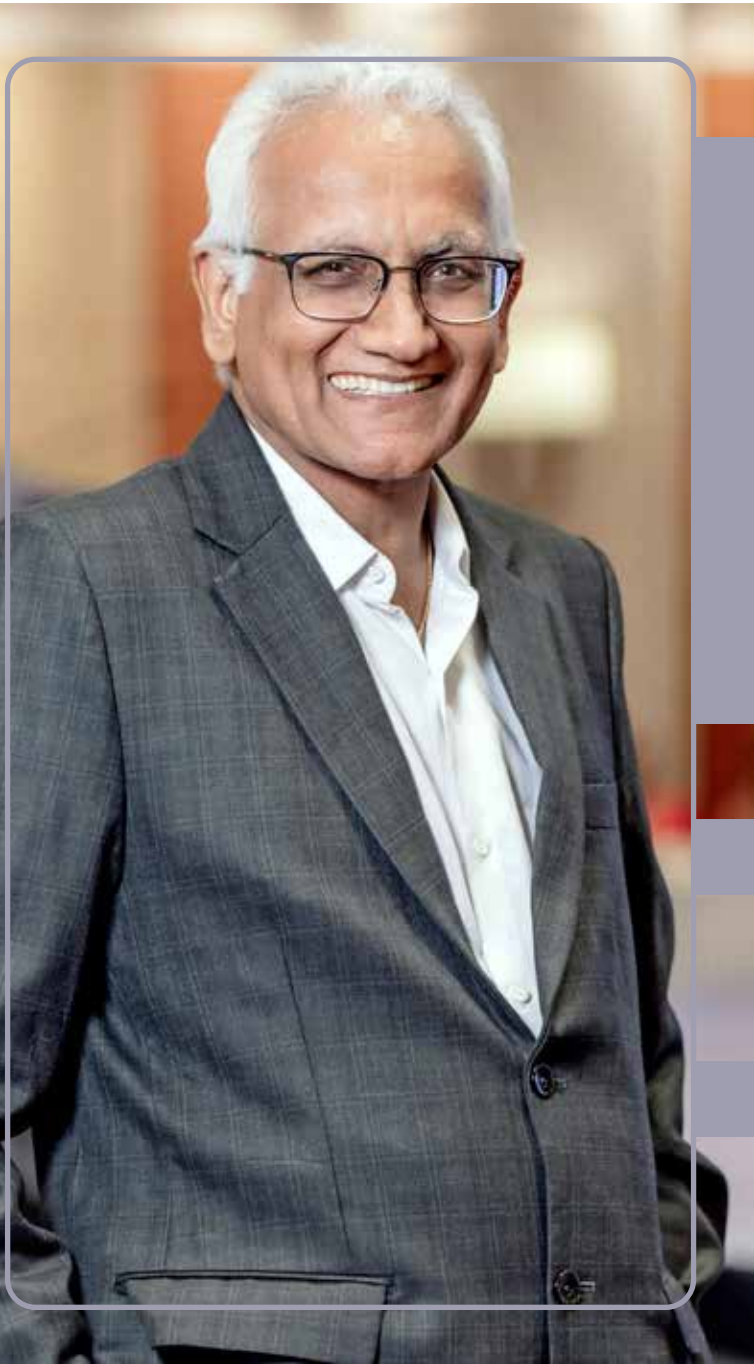
### The Sharma Dossier

- **Founder & CEO:** Meteora Group, Meteora Developers, Maisour Property Tech
- **Former Leader:** The One Point Group — consulting, trading and real-estate investments
- **Finance Professional:** Chartered Accountant (ICAI); senior roles with PKF and Deloitte
- **Mentor:** Assisted 100+ Rajasthani professionals to start careers in Dubai; active in community support

### The Achievements Brief

- Chartered Accountant (1996) — Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
- Launched Maisour (2024) — DIFC real-estate crowdfunding platform
- Ultimate Realty Award (2024) — Best in Customer Service
- Icons of UAE Award (2024) — India Today Group & NKN Media recognition
- Mentorship Impact — Over 100 professionals placed and supported in Dubai

# PRAVEEN KUMAR TATIA



## A Business Leader and Social Contributor

### Who is Praveen Kumar Tatia:

Entrepreneur, philanthropist, community leader and social worker, traveller.

**His Mission Statement:** To serve society through enterprise, education and social upliftment, ensuring that progress is shared across communities.

Born on 24 October 1962 in Mahamandir, Jodhpur, Praveen Kumar Tatia moved to Chennai in 1975 and went on to pioneer the Tatia Group of Companies. After completing his graduation from R.K.M. Vivekananda College, he trained in chemical trading for six years before founding his own business in 1987. Over the years, he built one of Tamil Nadu's leading chemical, dyes and solvents distribution firms, becoming a major importer and distributor of leather chemicals. Beyond business, he has actively contributed to social, medical, educational and religious organisations, holding numerous honorary positions for over three decades. A global traveller, he has visited more than 80 countries since 1994, attending international fairs and exhibitions to broaden his perspectives. His vision remains simple yet profound: to serve humanity and give back to family, community and society at large.



**Rajasthan Roots and Chennai Growth**  
Tatia's ancestral home lies in Tiwari village, Jodhpur district, before his parents settled in Mahamandir, Jodhpur, where he was born. The family later moved to Chennai, marking the beginning of his journey in Tamil Nadu. His career has been deeply intertwined with the Rajasthani community in Chennai, where he has led and strengthened many associations. As the President of the Rajasthani Association Tamil Nadu (RAJAT), he spearheaded the establishment of Mahaveer Rajasthani International School, a unique day-residential institution dedicated to holistic education. His leadership roles across organisations reflect his enduring commitment to cultural preservation, community service and education.

**Professional Sector and Community Leadership**  
Tatia has been a driving force in business while also serving society through leadership in multiple organisations. He has held prominent positions including Member of the Tamil Nadu State Minority Commission (second term), National Vice President of the All India Jain Minority Federation and Vice Chairman of the Jain International Trade Organisation (Apex – Minorities). He has also led healthcare initiatives as Chairman of the Kewalchand Mohanabai Daga Dialysis Centre and the Suwadevi Jhumarmal Nahar Diabetic Research Centre in Chennai. His involvement with youth and cultural organisations, such as the Rajasthan Youth

Association, Indian Youth Association and Friends of Tribals Society (Tamil Nadu), reflects his vision of empowering the next generation while giving back to society. Through his wide-ranging roles, he has worked to integrate business leadership with philanthropy, education and healthcare.

### The Tatia Dossier

- **Founder:** Tatia Group of Companies, Chennai
- **Member:** State Minority Commission, Government of Tamil Nadu (Second Term)
- **President (Past):** Rajasthan Youth Association (Golden Jubilee Year 2012–13)
- **President (Past):** Rajasthani Association Tamil Nadu (RAJAT)
- **National Vice President:** All India Jain Minority Federation
- **Vice Chairman:** Jain International Trade Organisation (Apex – Minorities)
- **President (Past):** Indian Youth Association (2007–08, Golden Jubilee Year 2018–19)

- **Healthcare Leadership:** Chairman, Dialysis and Diabetic Research Centres, Chennai
- **Educational Leadership:** President, Rajasthani Educational Foundation; Managing Trustee, Rajasthani Educational Trust, Tamil Nadu

### The Achievements Brief

- Established one of Tamil Nadu's leading chemical and leather chemical distribution companies (1987)
- Promoted Mahaveer Rajasthani International School, a unique day-residential school in Chennai
- Held senior leadership roles across Rajasthani cultural and social organisations for over 30 years
- Spearheaded healthcare initiatives in Chennai through dialysis and diabetic care centres
- Travelled to over 80 countries since 1994, engaging with global fairs and exhibitions
- Served continuously in honorary positions across educational, social, trade and medical organisations

# DR PURNIMA VORIA

## A Catalyst for Change

### Who is Dr Purnima Voria:

A visionary, a diplomat, a changemaker

### Her Mission Statement:

To advance commerce, culture and diplomacy by building bridges between nations, empowering communities and creating opportunities that endure for generations.



Dr Purnima Voria embodies the essence of a true global leader — blending diplomacy, enterprise and compassion. Her journey from Ajmer to the halls of the White House and the United Nations reflects not only her own achievements but also the enduring spirit of Rajasthan. As the President of Rajasthan Foundation - New York Chapter, this visionary leader continues to bridge nations, empower communities and inspire generations to embrace commerce as a catalyst for peace and prosperity.

#### Architect of Bilateral Business

Born in Ajmer, Rajasthan and now based in New York, USA, Dr Purnima Voria has carved a unique place for herself on the global stage. A proud daughter of Rajasthan, she draws inspiration from her father, Shri M.L. Nagar, whose engineering innovations brought life-giving water to the deserts of her home state. Just as he transformed landscapes, Dr Voria has dedicated her career to transforming opportunities — shaping business, policy and diplomacy across borders.

As Founder and CEO of the National U.S.-India Chamber of Commerce (NUICC), Dr Voria has become one of the most trusted architects of bilateral relations between the two nations. Advising corporations across sectors ranging from technology and infrastructure to healthcare and education, she has enabled sustainable partnerships that strengthen both trade and trust.

Her distinguished service as National Advisor to the U.S. Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) under the Obama Administration stands as a hallmark of her career. In this role, she shaped policies that strengthened the foundation of more than 8 million minority-owned businesses, contributing to America's trillion-dollar economy. She has also advised successive U.S. administrations, including President George W. Bush's 2005 Presidential Commission and 2006 Business Club, bringing her unique insights into global trade, policy, and cultural diplomacy.

#### Humanitarian & Cultural Leadership

Beyond commerce, Dr. Voria has championed initiatives that resonate deeply. In the wake of the

9/11 attacks, she launched R.A.K.H.I. Day (Raising Awareness and Knowledge through Humanitarian Initiative) in the U.S.—a symbol of unity and peace inspired by the Indian tradition of Raksha Bandhan. In 2018, she brought World R.A.K.H.I. Day to the United Nations, where thousands joined in the symbolic act of tying threads of harmony across cultures.

Her commitment to Rajasthan remains deep and enduring. Since the inception of the Rajasthan Foundation, she has played an active role in initiatives that celebrate the state's heritage and build global connections. Through education, healthcare, entrepreneurship and philanthropy, she continues to ensure that Rajasthan's legacy is celebrated worldwide.



### The Voria Dossier

- **Global Leader:** Founder & CEO, National U.S.-India Chamber of Commerce (NUICC)
- **Presidential Advisor:** National Advisor to MBDA under Obama Administration; served under Bush Administration initiatives
- **International Diplomat:** Speaker at UN, WEF Davos, BBC World News, Commonwealth Games
- **Humanitarian Voice:** Founder, World R.A.K.H.I. Day at the United Nations

### The Achievements Brief

- Congressional Medal of Distinction for contributions to U.S. economy
- Businesswoman of the Year, *Wall Street Journal* (2005)
- Ronald Reagan Republican Gold Medal (2005)
- Honoured by U.S. Presidents George W. Bush, Barack Obama, Donald Trump
- Ambassador for Peace, United Nations Association of the USA
- Author of *Falling in Love with India: From Home to the White House*



RAJIV BATRA

# Reinventing Cybersecurity Frontiers

## Who is Rajiv Batra:

A pioneering technologist, entrepreneur and visionary leader.

## His Mission Statement:

To secure the digital age by combining innovation, scale and trust.

Rajiv Batra is a name synonymous with transforming how the world thinks about cybersecurity. As the co-founder of Palo Alto Networks, he spearheaded a revolution in network security, building one of the most successful and trusted cybersecurity companies globally. An engineer by training and innovator at heart, Rajiv believed that the old approach to firewalls and network defence was broken. His conviction led to the creation of the world's first next-generation firewall, redefining the very architecture of digital protection. Today, Palo Alto Networks secures thousands of organisations, governments and individuals worldwide, a testament to Rajiv's foresight, technical brilliance and entrepreneurial grit.

### Shaping a Cybersecurity Revolution

Born in India, Rajiv completed his undergraduate degree in electrical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee, before pursuing a Master's in electrical engineering at the University of California, Davis. Early in his career, he held leadership and technical positions at Sun Microsystems, Exodus Communications and Peribit Networks. But it was his deep understanding of network security's vulnerabilities that pushed him to think differently.

In 2005, alongside co-founders Nir Zuk, Lane Bess and others, Rajiv set out to reimagine cybersecurity for a rapidly digitising world. He became the founding Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of Palo Alto Networks, a company that combined firewall technology with advanced intrusion prevention and application control. This innovation—now called the “next-generation firewall”—was a breakthrough, enabling enterprises to secure increasingly complex digital environments with speed and efficiency.

Rajiv's technical vision was complemented by his entrepreneurial instincts. From a startup in Santa Clara, California, Palo Alto Networks grew into a global giant, now listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: PANW), with revenues crossing US\$7 billion and a market capitalisation of over US\$100 billion. It is widely recognised as one of the most valuable cybersecurity companies in the world, protecting clients across more than 150 countries.

### Values, Legacy and Global Impact

Beyond building technology, Rajiv Batra has always believed in building trust. He often said that cybersecurity is not just about systems—it is about people, reliability and confidence. His leadership helped Palo Alto Networks develop a reputation for excellence, customer-centricity and innovation at scale.



Rajiv continues to mentor entrepreneurs and technologists, embodying the belief that true leadership lies in inspiring others to solve tomorrow's problems. His journey also reflects the global Indian story—an IIT graduate, who carried his Rajasthani heritage and roots of rigour and resilience to Silicon Valley, making a mark not just for himself but for India's reputation in global innovation.

Even after retiring from his formal role at Palo Alto Networks, Rajiv's impact lives on through the company's culture of innovation, as well as his continued involvement in guiding startups and philanthropic initiatives. For him, success is not measured by valuations alone but by how technology can safeguard and empower communities worldwide.

## The Batra Dossier

- **Co-founder** and Founding CTO, Palo Alto Networks
- **Former** Technical Leader, Sun Microsystems, Exodus Communications, Peribit Networks
- **Education** in B.Tech in Electrical Engineering, IIT Roorkee; M.S. in Electrical Engineering, UC Davis
- **Mentor** and advisor to technology entrepreneurs

## The Achievements Brief

- Founded Palo Alto Networks, a global cybersecurity leader with \$100B+ market cap
- Architect of the world's first next-generation firewall
- Drove Palo Alto Networks to revenues exceeding US\$7 billion
- IIT Roorkee Distinguished Alumni Award recipient

# RAM SAINI

## Businessman with a Heart for Community

**Who is Ram Saini:** A self-made businessman and dedicated social worker uplifting communities in the United States and Rajasthan.

**His Mission Statement:** To blend entrepreneurial success with social responsibility, cultivating growth and compassion across borders.



Great things come in little packages – the story of Ram Saini exemplifies this truth. Born in Sikar, Rajasthan, to the late Shri Dolatram Ji Saini and Smt. Kamla Devi, he grew up in a large family of ten siblings that instilled in him the values of hard work, honesty and perseverance. Life was not without challenges, yet his father’s insistence on education gave him the foundation to dream big. Migrating to the United States in 1991, Saini built his life from the ground up, emerging as a respected entrepreneur and owner of Rishi R Corp. Beyond business, his passion lies in community service and youth empowerment. In 2007, he strengthened the Association of Rajasthanis of America (ARA) – Chicago chapter, focusing on connecting diaspora youth to their heritage. Later, in 2014, he founded Pragathi Seva, a trust dedicated to providing scholarships for needy and differently abled children in Rajasthan. His story is one of determination, compassion and loyalty to his roots.

**Enterprise and Leadership**  
As an entrepreneur in the United States, Saini has successfully led ventures while remaining deeply connected to social causes. Through Rishi R Corp, he established himself in business, but his leadership extends far beyond enterprise. His initiatives during the COVID-19 pandemic are a testament to his commitment—he organised food drives for senior citizens and supported Rajasthani students in Chicago with housing and essentials during difficult times.

He also collaborates with the Indian Consulate in Chicago and Air India under the Vande Bharat Mission, assisting people with emergency travel, consular permissions and airfare arrangements. His leadership bridges business, humanitarian efforts and international collaboration, making him a respected figure both in the US and in Rajasthan.

**Community Engagement and Impact**  
Rajasthan remains close to Saini’s heart. He praises the progress made under its visionary leadership and admires the dedication of its youth. Through his organisations, he has created opportunities for education, cultural preservation and community support. His message to the younger generation of Rajasthan emphasises perseverance, loyalty, compassion and learning from elders—values that have shaped his own journey.

By creating Pragathi Seva and supporting multiple initiatives, he has ensured that countless underprivileged children in Rajasthan receive scholarships and guidance for a better future. His recognition by prestigious publications such as *Jewels of India*, *Jewels of Rajasthan* and the International Maheshwari Rajasthani Convention reflects his unwavering contributions to society.

### The Saini Dossier

- **Age:** 57
- **City, State:** Westmont, Illinois, USA
- **Native Place:** Sikar, Rajasthan
- **Business Role:** Owner – Rishi R Corp, USA
- **Community Roles:** Founder – Pragathi Seva; Member – Association of Rajasthani of America (ARA), Chicago Chapter

### The Achievements Brief

- Strengthened the ARA Chicago chapter, empowering youth and connecting them with Rajasthani heritage
- Founded Pragathi Seva in 2014 to provide scholarships for needy and differently abled children in Rajasthan
- Spearheaded COVID-19 relief efforts for senior citizens and Rajasthani students in the US
- Awarded by Jewels of India (2013), Jewels of Rajasthan (2015) and International Maheshwari Rajasthani Convention (2014)
- Honoured with Chamber of Commerce Award (2009) for outstanding community service

# CA (DR) RAMAWATAR KILA



## Silent Force for Change

**Who is Dr Ramawatar Kila:**  
Chartered Accountant, Visionary  
Advisor and Dedicated Humanitarian.

**His Mission Statement:**  
To empower individuals through  
education, healthcare and financial  
inclusion, while honouring his  
Rajasthani roots with a lifetime of  
service and integrity.

Born on 2 March 1958 in Churu, Rajasthan, Dr Ramawatar Kila is a Chartered Accountant, Company Secretary and financial advisor with more than four decades of professional experience. Known for his leadership in consultancy, NBFC operations and corporate finance, he is equally admired for his deep commitment to social welfare. His journey from a commerce student in Churu to a nationally recognised financial leader and philanthropist in New Delhi reflects perseverance, professional brilliance and an enduring connection to his native state. Despite being based in Delhi, Dr Kila remains firmly anchored to Rajasthan. His family continues to reside there and he frequently returns to Churu to participate in festivals, family gatherings and community initiatives. He is also the President of Rajasthan Foundation - Delhi Chapter. This connection to his birthplace not only reflects his emotional bond but also inspires many of his social contributions, particularly in education and healthcare support for Rajasthani youth and families in Delhi.

**Professional Leadership**  
Dr Kila’s professional career spans consultancy, NBFC management and corporate advisory. Perfect Group, New Delhi (1994–present) – As Chief Advisor, he transformed the firm into a leading financial services conglomerate. Perfect Finance, under his guidance, became one of the foremost RBI-registered NBFCs in the Delhi-NCR region, financing over 100,000 vehicles for individuals excluded from traditional banking.

At R A Kila & Co. (1985–present), as Founder Partner, he built a reputable CA firm offering audit services to leading banks such as Union Bank, PNB, SBI, and Bank of India, along with financial consultancy to over 1,000 recurring clients.

Corporate Advisory – He has advised prominent companies including Bagrry’s India, HCL, Jyotindra Steel & Tubes, Shyam Group and County Group, delivering expertise in restructuring, debt syndication and strategic planning.

His ability to combine financial foresight with operational execution has positioned him as a trusted advisor to corporates, institutions and individuals alike.

**Service to Society**  
Alongside his corporate success, Dr Kila has been deeply committed to community service:

Founder, Perfect Foundation & Perfect Institute of Research and Development – Promoting literacy, vocational education and student empowerment.

Healthcare Initiatives – Trustee of Bhaorao Deoras Seva Nyas, where he has played a central role in

managing Vishram Sadan facilities at AIIMS Delhi, IGIMS Patna, KGMC Lucknow, AIIMS Jhajjar and more. These facilities provide thousands of affordable beds for attendants of patients from across India.

Akshay Seva (2017–present) – Daily distribution of over 2,500 free meals outside Delhi’s hospitals, reaching more than 7.5 million people to date.

Under his education support initiatives, Dr Kila has provided hostel facilities in Delhi for Rajasthani students for over 30 years, mentoring aspiring CAs, MBAs, and professionals. His commitment to inclusive education shines through the Super 30 Initiative, launched with the CA Pariwar, which sponsors CA studies for underprivileged yet talented students.

He has also organised blood donation drives, corrective surgeries, organ donation campaigns, and medical relief programmes—extending his efforts beyond academics into vital areas of public health.

### The Kila Dossier

- **Born:** 2 March 1958, Churu, Rajasthan
- **Profession:** Chartered Accountant, NBFC Leader, Philanthropist
- **Current base:** New Delhi, India
- **Legacy:** 40+ years in finance, 30+ years in social service



### The Achievements Brief

- Sewa Ratna Award
- Hall of Fame Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award
- Meadows National Award for leadership
- NBFC CEO of the Year
- Trailblazer of the Year
- Yashasvi CA Award
- Bihar Gaurav and Samaj Gaurav honours
- India Imaan Samman for integrity and service



# RAMESH GHEESARAM CHOUDHARY

## Entrepreneur of Grit and Service

### Who is Ramesh Choudhary:

A self-made entrepreneur, visionary leader and nation-builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To build ethical enterprises rooted in Swadeshi values, while uplifting communities through education, health and holistic development.

Born in Nadol, Pali, Rajasthan, into a humble farming family, Ramesh Choudhary's early life was defined by poverty and struggle. With no formal training, mentors, or resources, he began working as a teenager in a small shop—earning food instead of money. Cycling over 50 km daily with electrical goods on his shoulders, he developed endurance, business instinct and customer understanding. This foundation of discipline and empathy would later drive him to establish Surya Electronics, now one of Maharashtra's most trusted retail chains. Guided by his grandfather's freedom fighter legacy and his parents' lessons in hard work, he has remained committed to the ideals of "Nation First", Swadeshi self-reliance and selfless service. Today, at 45, he stands as a living example of grit transforming into greatness.

### Building Surya Electronics with Values

From humble beginnings, Ramesh founded Surya Electronics by MR Surya Electronics India Pvt Ltd, a rapidly growing consumer electronics retail chain in Maharashtra. His transparent, customer-focused business model has set new benchmarks in the industry, creating opportunities for employees, franchisees and local entrepreneurs. Recognised among the Top 10 Leaders in Electrical & Electronics in India by TradeFlock, he has become a symbol of ethical, values-driven entrepreneurship.

His journey, however, extends beyond business. Through the MR Surya Social Foundation, Ramesh has channelled his success into initiatives for education, healthcare, cultural preservation and sports promotion. Scholarships, school support and youth empowerment programmes are central to his mission of building strong, disciplined and self-reliant communities. As a motivational speaker, he continues to inspire countless individuals, reminding them that success is measured as much by service as by profit.

### A Life of Discipline and Service

Ramesh is equally passionate about holistic living, drawing from yoga and spirituality to maintain balance and health. Influenced by the philosophy of Swami Ramdev Ji, he lives a life of zero medicine and encourages others to adopt preventive

health and mindfulness. His advocacy for fitness, discipline and service embodies his belief that an individual must strive to be an asset to the nation, not a liability.

His impact resonates across business, society and a personal example. Whether building Surya Electronics, empowering the underprivileged, or inspiring youth through talks and workshops, Choudhary has consistently demonstrated that entrepreneurship and social responsibility can walk hand in hand. His legacy is one of determination, nation-first commitment and selfless service.

### The Choudhary Dossier

- **Entrepreneur:** Founder, Surya Electronics, one of Maharashtra's trusted retail chains
- **Nation-Builder:** Promotes Swadeshi ideals, ethical business and youth empowerment
- **Social Leader:** Founder, MR Surya Social Foundation for education, health and sports
- **Motivational Speaker:** Inspires youth with his journey of grit and discipline



### The Achievements Brief

- 2017: Pimpri-Chinchwad Achievers Award, presented by Shri Sharad Pawar
- 2023: Top 10 Leaders in Electrical & Electronics in India, TradeFlock
- 2023: Haier Global Excellence Award
- 2023: Bhamasha Samman by Akhil Bhartiya Sirvi Mahasabha
- 2024: Pune Achievers Award, presented by Shri Ajit Pawar
- 2024: Marudhar Sanman, Lokmat Global Economic Convention
- 2025: Bharat Nirman Excellence Award, presented by Union Minister Shri Jual Oram

# RAMESH KUMAR PERIWAL



## Philanthropist and Community Leader

### Who is Ramesh Periwal:

A lifelong social worker, healthcare pioneer and community builder.

### His Mission Statement:

To empower the underprivileged, uplift differently abled individuals and carry forward the Periwal family’s legacy of service.

Born in Anupshahar (Nopra), Hanumangarh district, Rajasthan and later settling in Sikkim, Ramesh Kumar Periwal has dedicated his life to social work, philanthropy and community development. Deeply inspired by his ancestral values of service and spirituality, he has worked tirelessly to uplift the underprivileged, promote disability welfare and strengthen cultural identity. His contributions extend across healthcare, education, spirituality and community infrastructure, making him a respected leader in Sikkim and a proud Pravasi Rajasthani committed to his roots.

### Legacy of Service

Continuing the philanthropic ethos of the Periwal family, Ramesh constructed the Periwal Sewa Sadan, a 7,000 sq. ft. multipurpose community hall in Anupshahar, completed in 2023. This facility, valued at over one crore rupees, provides a space for marriages, cultural events and educational activities. He also built a cowshed in the village *Gaushala* and continues to contribute regularly to temples and community initiatives.

Alongside this, he has taken up key leadership roles in numerous trade, spiritual and cultural organisations—from the Sikkim Chamber of Commerce and Indian Red Cross Society to the Sikkim Marwari Sammelan and Ramotsav Samity. His involvement strengthens both Rajasthan’s legacy and Sikkim’s community fabric.

### Empowering the Differently Abled

In 1999, Ramesh co-founded the Sikkim Divyang Sahayata Samity, the first non-profit in Sikkim dedicated to supporting differently abled individuals. Over 26 years, the organisation has distributed assistive devices, provided livelihood opportunities and conducted health camps for cleft lip and palate treatments in remote regions.

Through the Ruchi Diagnostic Clinic, he ensures free healthcare for Divyangs, orphans and the economically weaker, while employing differently abled staff to promote dignity and inclusion. His initiatives have transformed hundreds of lives, leaving an enduring legacy of empowerment, compassion and fortitude.



### The Periwal Dossier

- **Healthcare Pioneer:** Co-founder, Sikkim Divyang Sahayata Samity; free health camps and diagnostic services
- **Community Builder:** Founder of Periwal Sewa Sadan, Anupshahar; contributor to temples and community causes
- **Organisational Leader:** Advisor, Sikkim Chamber of Commerce; President, Sikkim Marwari Sammelan
- **Philanthropist:** Focus on disability empowerment, education, cultural preservation and rural development

### The Achievements Brief

- 2002: Sikkim Civil Defence Medal, Govt. of Sikkim
- 2013: Best Citizen of India Citation, National Publishing House
- 2015: Appreciation Award by Governor of Sikkim for disability welfare
- 2021: Covid Warrior Appreciation Award, Medical Darpan
- 2024: Medal of Honour, Chogyal Centennial Committee
- 2024: Best Social Worker Award, Sikkim Marwari Samaj
- 2025: Best Social Worker Award, Sikkim Brahmakumaris Centre



# RATAN SHARMA

## From Faith to Fortune, With Purpose

**Who is Ratan Sharma:** A visionary industrialist and community leader with devotion.

**His Mission Statement:** To build industries that create employment, dignity and pride — proving that devotion, discipline and determination can reshape destinies.

Born in Ratangarh, Churu district, Rajasthan and raised in the village of Daudsar, Ratan Sharma’s early life was defined by scarcity yet illuminated by perseverance. His family lived through priesthood and alms, but young Ratan carried within him the spark of self-belief. After completing matriculation in Sujangarh, he journeyed to Guwahati in 1984, a teenager with nothing more than a dream to change his life’s course. He enrolled at K.C. Das Commerce College but soon realised that his destiny lay not in textbooks but in action. On 15 February 1995, without capital or backing, he stepped into the world of business — and began writing a story of grit and grace that would eventually reshape the industrial landscape of North-East India.



**Building Prosperity from Scratch**  
Every step in Sharma’s journey reflects the classic Rajasthan ethos — perseverance, integrity and enterprise. He began small, working tirelessly in the steel materials and ferro alloys trade, gradually expanding into coal mining, coke plants and hospitality ventures. His crowning achievement came with the creation of Mayfair Spring Valley, a 7-star resort in Nayab Line, Guwahati, now recognised as one of the finest in the region. This milestone was not merely about luxury; it was a statement of confidence in the potential of the North-East. By building world-class infrastructure where few dared to invest, he set a precedent for others to follow — transforming Guwahati into a hub of opportunity.

But even amid success, Sharma’s humility remained unshaken. He often says, “The affection and respect I have received can never be measured in money.” For him, every achievement is a tribute to his faith in Lord Shiva, the blessings of his ancestors and parents and the unwavering support of his family and community.

**Leading with Heart and Vision**  
Today, as the President of the Rajasthan Foundation - Guwahati, Assam Chapter, Sharma stands as a unifying force for the Pravasi Rajasthani community. He bridges cultures and geographies, inspiring people to contribute meaningfully to their Karmabhoomi while staying connected to their Matribhumi.

His leadership style blends enterprise with empathy. Whether it is creating jobs through new ventures or supporting religious and social initiatives, he sees business not as a pursuit of profit but as an opportunity for service. Deeply spiritual, he attributes his success to the values instilled in him during childhood — honesty, humility and a deep respect for people from all walks of life.

Through his initiatives, Sharma continues to empower youth, promote industrial development and encourage unity across India’s diverse regions. His life stands as proof that success rooted in values endures — a story that connects the deserts of Rajasthan to the hills of the North-East.

### The Sharma Dossier

- **President:** Rajasthan Foundation - Guwahati, Assam Chapter
- **Founder:** Multiple ventures across steel, ferro alloys, coal, coke and hospitality sectors
- **Creator:** Mayfair Spring Valley, Guwahati – one of the North-East’s premier 7-star resorts
- **Philanthropist and community leader:** Known for uniting Rajasthanis across North-East India
- **Spiritual Devotee:** Inspired by Lord Shiva and guided by ancestral values

### The Achievements Brief

- Built Mayfair Spring Valley, redefining hospitality in the North-East region
- Recognised for advancing Pravasi Rajasthani unity and social welfare in Assam and beyond
- Revered for blending spiritual integrity with business excellence, earning respect across communities

# DR RAVI MURARKA

## Of Empathy and Care

### Who is Dr Ravi Murarka:

A clinician, educator and cultural custodian.

### His Mission Statement:

To advance animal health through clinical excellence, education and large-scale public-health interventions while preserving Rajasthan's cultural heritage within the global diaspora.



Dr Ravi Murarka is a resourceful leader with over four decades of experience in veterinary medicine, shelter practice and animal welfare. He has combined scientific expertise with cultural leadership, building bridges between continents while remaining deeply connected to his Rajasthani roots. From serving as the Medical Director of the Pennsylvania SPCA for two decades to leading cultural initiatives such as the Gangaur Festival in Philadelphia, he has ensured that both veterinary science and Rajasthani heritage continue to thrive across borders.

#### Veterinary Leadership and Global Training

Dr Murarka trained in India, earning a B.V.Sc. & A.H. from Nagpur Veterinary College and an M.V.Sc. from Punjabrao Agricultural University and completed an internship in small animal medicine and surgery at Iowa State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. . He served as Medical Director of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for twenty years, during which he established shelter medicine protocols, led animal cruelty investigations and organised mass rabies vaccination and high-volume spay/neuter clinics that treated hundreds of animals in a single day. He is the Founder and Operator of Compassion Veterinary Clinic in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania and has been consulting veterinarian for Morris Animal Refuge since 2015. As Chairman of the Animal Welfare Committee for the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association and Founder-Secretary of the Delaware Valley Academy of Veterinary Medicine, he has organised and delivered wet labs and workshops in soft tissue surgery and dentistry across India and elsewhere. As President of the American Association of Veterinarians of Indian Origin he has strengthened professional collaboration among veterinarians of Indian origin and promoted continuing education internationally. In 2025, he worked with Mission Rabies to train animal health workers from Rajasthan in large-scale vaccination drives and disease control efforts.

#### Connection with Rajasthan and Community Service

Dr Murarka's roots are in Nawalgarh, Jhunjhunu District; his mother was born in Jaipur and he remains spiritually connected to the Kuldevi at Jamvai Mata Temple in Bhorki. He has conducted wet labs for private practitioners in Jaipur (2015) and academic workshops at PGIVER (2018) and during the 2022 lumpy skin disease outbreak,



he advocated for mass vaccination, movement restrictions and farmer support. As the President of PARAM (Philadelphia Rajasthani Mandal), he has been the cultural anchor for Rajasthani diaspora life in the United States. His dual focus on veterinary science and cultural leadership has linked practical disease control in Rajasthan with capacity building among local animal health workers, while preserving community traditions abroad.

### The Murarka Dossier

- **Veterinary Leader:** Medical Director, Pennsylvania SPCA (20 years); Founder, Compassion Veterinary Clinic; Consulting Veterinarian, Morris Animal Refuge
- **Educator:** Internship at Iowa State; organiser of international wet labs and surgical workshops; founder-secretary, Delaware Valley Academy of Veterinary Medicine
- **Community Head:** President, PARAM; cultural liaison for Rajasthanis in the USA



### The Achievements Brief

- Merck Animal Health (MSD) Challenge Coin (Orlando, 2025) — one of only eight global recipients for advancing veterinary medicine and global animal health
- Recognition from the Philadelphia Police K-9 Unit (2007) for veterinary support
- Multiple honours from veterinary associations in Pennsylvania and New Jersey for shelter medicine, spay/neuter and high-volume clinic leadership.
- Featured in *Saving Gracie* by Carol Bradley; appeared on NPR, the Animal Planet and the National Geographic
- Led mass rabies vaccination and spay/neuter clinics treating as many as 500 animals per day; organised international training programmes in surgery, dentistry and disease control

# RAVI PODDAR

## The Sustainability Leader

**Who is Ravi Poddar:** A Champion of sustainable textiles and industry innovation

**His Mission Statement:** To scale India's textile sector with sustainability, innovation and global competitiveness, while carrying forward a proud family legacy rooted in Rajasthan.



Born in Bissau, Jhunjhunu district, Rajasthan and raised in Burhanpur, Madhya Pradesh, Ravi Poddar represents the third generation of a family that has devoted its life to textiles. As the Managing Director of Burhanpur Textiles Limited (B T Group), he has transformed a seven-decade-old family enterprise into one of India's most sustainable and forward-looking textile conglomerates. His story is one of tradition meeting modernity—where heritage and cutting-edge practices blend seamlessly to create global benchmarks. Poddar has redefined what it means to lead an enterprise. By combining heritage with innovation and scale with sustainability, he has not only expanded his family business but also shaped the future of Indian textiles. Beyond business, he continues to strengthen his home state's ties with others as the President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Indore Chapter, guided by his conviction that true progress balances economic growth with social and environmental responsibility.



**Professional Leadership**  
Under Poddar's visionary leadership, the B T Group has transformed into one of India's largest and most sustainable textile manufacturers. Driving innovation and responsibility, he has positioned the company at the forefront of global benchmarks in recycling, energy efficiency and Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD). Today, B T Group produces 1.5 million meters of fabric every day, a scale achieved through his commitment to excellence and sustainability.

Poddar's Vision 2030 charts an ambitious path forward—scaling production capacity to 10 million meters per day, creating large-scale employment opportunities, boosting exports and strengthening India's standing as a global textile leader.

Founded in 1956, B T Group has a rich legacy, but it is under Poddar's stewardship that the company has fully integrated the entire textile production chain—from twisting and weaving to dyeing and finishing—delivering unmatched quality and efficiency to the world.

**Sustainability Leadership**  
Poddar is recognised internationally as a pioneer of sustainable textile manufacturing. Under his stewardship, B T Group has emerged as a benchmark for the green industry, with almost 90 per cent of fabric production sourced from recycled materials. The Group consumes four times less fossil fuel than its peers, supported by a 200,000 square-foot air-drying facility that drastically reduces energy consumption. Its advanced Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) plant ensures no wastewater pollution.

In addition, innovative practices such as converting agricultural waste into fuel pellets for boilers directly support farmers, while the use of cow dung for wastewater treatment provides nutrient-rich irrigation water, boosting crop yields. This integrated model ensures that business success advances in harmony with community welfare and environmental stewardship.

### The Poddar Dossier

- **Born:** Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan
- **Base:** Burhanpur, Madhya Pradesh
- **Role:** Managing Director, B T Group
- **Legacy:** Third-generation entrepreneur, textile innovator

### The Achievements Brief

- Award for Key Contribution to the Success of B T Group in 2019
- 1.5 million metres of fabric produced daily
- 90% fabrics from recycled sources
- Four times lower fossil fuel use than global peers
- ZLD and eco-friendly systems in place
- Vision 2030: 10 million metres of fabric per day



# RAVI SHARMA

## From Rajasthan to Melbourne

### Who is Ravi Sharma:

Entrepreneur, Innovator and Community Leader

### His Mission Statement:

To preserve and grow Australian manufacturing while boosting global entrepreneurship, innovation and community development — all inspired by his ancestral roots in Rajasthan.

Ravi Sharma, based in Melbourne, Victoria, is an accomplished entrepreneur and community leader whose journey bridges the worlds of business innovation and cultural service. Born to a family from Tiloli village, Bhilwara district, Rajasthan, he grew up in Karnataka before moving to Australia as a young man. He pursued an MBA and completed the Executive Negotiation Program at Harvard University, equipping him with global perspectives that now shape his work across industries. From the classrooms of Karnataka to the executive programmes of Harvard and from the ancestral soil of Rajasthan to the industrial hubs of Australia, Sharma embodies the blend of global entrepreneurship and cultural responsibility. His story is one of building companies that cross borders while ensuring his roots remain firmly anchored in Rajasthan’s soil. By combining innovation with service and success with social impact, he stands as a role model for a generation of entrepreneurs committed to making a difference.

### Professional Leadership

Through his leadership of ZIVOR Group and Maxwell & Higgs Pty Ltd, Sharma has safeguarded Australian manufacturing, acquiring JGC Components and the D-Flector Stone Guards® brand to ensure their growth in global markets. His portfolio spans caravan, boating, automotive, off-road and defence industries, with products patented in Australia and the US.

On the community front, he has played pivotal roles as the President of the Global Alliance of Rajasthani Communities (GAARC) and the President of the Rajasthan Foundation- Melbourne Chapter, building networks that unite Rajasthanis worldwide. Earlier, as the Secretary and later President of RAJKOV (Rajasthani Kutumb of Victoria), he helped organise cultural events and strengthen community bonds.

### Leadership Beyond Boardrooms

Sharma’s contributions extend beyond boardrooms. In his ancestral village Tiloli, he has personally funded and implemented projects that include education programmes, scholarships for girls, healthcare initiatives and a tree plantation drive of over 10,000 trees. Globally, through GAARC and Rajasthan Foundation, he continues to connect communities, create cultural platforms and inspire youth. His journey reflects the philosophy that true success lies not only in personal achievements but also in giving back to society.

### The Sharma Dossier

- **Born:** Tiloli, Bhilwara district, Rajasthan
- **Base:** Melbourne, Australia
- **Role:** Managing Director, ZIVOR Group Australasia; Commercial Director, Maxwell & Higgs Pty Ltd
- **Legacy:** Entrepreneur, innovator and global community leader

### The Achievements Brief

- Australian Made Award 2023 – Best Boat & Caravan Protector Manufacturer
- Australian Enterprise Award 2024 – Most Innovative Recreational Vehicle Protection Company
- Featured in *The Manufacturer* for his acquisition of JGC Components and D-Flector
- Speaker at the Auto Parts Retail Innovation Summit 2025
- Keynote speaker at community organisations, inspiring emerging entrepreneurs and leaders



# DR REWATI RAMAN SHARMA



## Healing the Brain, Touching Humanity

**Who is Dr Sharma:** A pioneering neurosurgeon whose skill and empathy have shaped modern neurosurgery in Oman and beyond.

**His Mission Statement:** To combine precision, compassion and purpose so that no patient is denied care due to circumstance or means.

Born on 16 July 1953 in Jaipur, Rajasthan, to Mrs S. D. Sharma and Dr H. N. Sharma, his childhood was shaped by values of compassion, learning and service. Dr Rewati Raman Sharma absorbed these lessons, watching his father, a medical practitioner who built primary health centres across Rajasthan. His decision to pursue medicine was less a career choice and more a calling to heal. After earning his MBBS from RNT Medical College, Udaipur in 1977, he trained in neurosurgery at Seth G. S. Medical College and KEM Hospital, Mumbai, where he led resident and junior doctors as their elected president — a sign of both leadership and respect. His academic brilliance merged seamlessly with his humane approach to care.

### A Surgeon's Journey, A Nation's Gain

Following postgraduate success, Dr Sharma became one of India's youngest consultant neurosurgeons at ESTS Hospital Andheri, Mumbai. But destiny soon beckoned beyond borders. In 1988, he was invited by the Sultanate of Oman's Ministry of Health to establish the neurosurgery department at Khoula Hospital in Muscat. What began as a professional opportunity became a lifelong mission.

Dr Sharma built Oman's first fully equipped neurosurgery unit, bringing complex brain and spine surgeries home to patients who once travelled abroad. Later, he trained in the UK under world-renowned surgeons and returned to Oman in 1996 to continue his pioneering work. Over the years, his leadership has transformed Khoula Hospital, Atlas Hospital and now NMC Specialty Hospital into centres of excellence.

Beyond surgery, he introduced structured training and research programmes, mentoring generations of doctors and nurses. His publications in international neurosurgical journals reflect a lifelong curiosity and commitment to evidence-based medicine. "Research," he says, "is born from a question, an idea, or a need — and it never stops."

### Healing with Humility and Heart

Despite global recognition, Dr Sharma remains grounded. For him, humility is the cornerstone of greatness. "As we grow, we must grow humble," he says, a belief reflected in his conduct inside and outside the operating theatre.

A proud Indian and Rajasthani abroad, Dr Sharma continues to champion the idea that good medicine is an act of humanity. He has helped bridge India and Oman through healthcare, teaching and cultural exchange. "There is no better satisfaction," he reflects, "than when a patient leaves smiling because you treated them with logic, compassion and care."

### The Sharma Dossier

- **Senior Consultant** – Spine and Neurosurgery, NMC Specialty Hospital, Muscat
- **Former Head**, Department of Neurosurgery, Khoula Hospital, Oman
- **Former Consultant**, GS Medical College & KEM Hospital, Mumbai
- **Chairman** – Staff Development Committee, Khoula Hospital
- **Author** & Contributor to international neurosurgery textbooks

### The Achievements Brief

- Established Oman's first fully fledged neurosurgery department (1988)
- Transformed Khoula Hospital into a regional centre for advanced brain and spine surgery

- Honoured for excellence in medical service by Oman's Ministry of Health
- Lifelong member – World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies and Indian Society of Neurosurgeons



# RICHA AGARWAL

## Patron of Contemporary Creativity

**Who is Richa Agarwal:** A visionary arts advocate, cultural benefactor and catalyst for social change.

**Her Mission Statement:**

To democratise access to art and culture by creating inclusive, innovative and sustainable platforms that celebrate creativity in all its forms.



Born in Bikaner, Rajasthan and now based in Kolkata, Richa Agarwal serves as the Chairperson of the Kolkata Centre for Creativity (KCC) and CEO of Emami Art. Drawing from her early experience in commerce and entrepreneurship, she has redefined the cultural landscape of Bengal by blending business acumen with artistic vision. Inspired by the legacy of her father-in-law, RS Agarwal and his business partner, RS Goenka, Richa has become a driving force in arts management. Under her stewardship, KCC has transformed into a vibrant hub of exhibitions, festivals, archives and symposiums that make art accessible, relevant and engaging for all.

**Leader of Inclusive Arts**

Richa's leadership is marked by a commitment to inclusion, accessibility and dialogue. She has curated innovative programmes that connect contemporary artistic practices with diverse communities, ensuring that art resonates beyond traditional boundaries. From documenting lesser-known artists to hosting annual art and craft festivals that draw in the wider public, her initiatives strengthen both cultural preservation and creative experimentation.

Her vision extends into social responsibility, with pioneering DEAI (Diversity, Equity, Accessibility and Inclusion) programmes at KCC. Notable among these is the creation of a Braille library, alongside "Art for All", a programme designed to empower communities often excluded from mainstream cultural spaces. Through such initiatives, she has positioned KCC as not only a premier centre for creativity but also a model for socially conscious arts leadership in India.

**Building Sustainable Cultural Ecosystems**

As the CEO of Emami Art, Richa has established one of the most prominent contemporary art galleries in India, bridging local talent with international networks. Her focus on research, education and collaboration ensures that the arts are nurtured as a sustainable ecosystem rather than a niche domain. By empowering voices and encouraging experimentation, she continues to strengthen India's cultural fabric while inspiring global recognition of Indian creativity.

Her dual role at KCC and Emami Art reflects a holistic approach—one that preserves tradition while embracing modernity, uplifts marginalised voices and establishes Kolkata as a dynamic centre for cultural discourse. In every initiative, she demonstrates that art is not just to be observed but experienced, lived and shared.

**The Agarwal Dossier**

- **Cultural Leader:** Chairperson, Kolkata Centre for Creativity
- **Arts Patron:** CEO of Emami Art, a leading contemporary gallery
- **Social Advocate:** Pioneer of DEAI initiatives including a Braille library
- **Community Builder:** Curator of annual city-wide art and craft festivals

**The Achievements Brief**

- 2018: Times Power Women Award
- 2022: DEVI Award, New Indian Express Group
- 2024: *Femina* Achievers' East Award for Excellence in the Promotion of the Arts
- 2025: *The Telegraph* She Award for Entrepreneurship
- 2025–26: President, Ladies Study Group
- Board Member: Asia Society India Centre, for contemporary art and cultural inclusivity



# SACHIN PANDIA

## Entrepreneur and Social Leader

**Who is Sachin Pandia:** A dynamic leader uniting business success with social responsibility.

**His Mission Statement:** To strengthen community service, education and healthcare initiatives while uniting Rajasthanis in Karnataka and beyond through cultural, social and humanitarian efforts.



Sachin Pandia, based in Bengaluru, Karnataka, is a respected entrepreneur and community leader whose life reflects a deep commitment to service. Born in Rajgarh, Churu district of Rajasthan, he completed his B.Com from Maharishi Dayanand University, Rajasthan and went on to establish a successful career in business. For the past three decades, he has been associated with the transport industry under Rahul Freight Carrier and for over a decade he has managed Sri Meenakshi Decors, a prominent player in the plywood and laminate sector. His professional achievements, however, are only one dimension of his life; his larger impact lies in his dedication to community service, cultural promotion and grassroots development.

**Connection with Rajasthan**  
Though his professional base is in Bengaluru, Pandia remains deeply connected to Rajgarh, Churu, where he was born and educated. His family continues to reside there and their ancestral home and property serve as a living bond with the land. His father's service in the Indian Army instilled in him the values of discipline, humility and patriotism, which continue to guide his professional and social journey. Regular visits to Rajgarh for cultural and community initiatives ensure that his roots in Rajasthan remain strong and enduring.

**Social Contribution and Community Leadership**  
Pandia's social service is dedicated to healthcare, education, Gauseva and community welfare. Through the Marwari Yuva Manch, he facilitated free cancer screening and awareness programmes, benefiting numerous families. He played a vital role in arranging funding for 2,000 schools in Karnataka's tribal areas, supporting infrastructure and educational opportunities. He also adopted a government school in Karnataka, transforming it into one of the state's best-performing institutions, thereby showcasing the power of consistent investment in education.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, he spearheaded relief initiatives in both Karnataka and Rajasthan. In Rajgarh, he established a COVID centre, arranged oxygen facilities and provided critical support for healthcare access. His efforts also extended to providing scholarships for underprivileged children, creating pathways for self-reliance and empowerment.

In Bengaluru, Pandia has been instrumental in organising cultural and social events that brought together eminent personalities, including the late President of India, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam. His ability to mobilise people and resources has consistently strengthened the presence and identity of Rajasthanis in Karnataka.

In 2025, his contributions were recognised with his appointment as the President of the Rajasthan Foundation Bangalore Chapter by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Bhajanlal Sharma. This role positions him at the forefront of connecting Rajasthanis across Karnataka and amplifying the Foundation's initiatives in education, healthcare, culture and social welfare.



### The Pandia Dossier

- **Born:** Rajgarh, Churu district, Rajasthan
- **Base:** Bengaluru, Karnataka
- **Role:** CEO, Rahul Freight Carrier & Sri Meenakshi Decors; President, Rajasthan Foundation Bangalore Chapter
- **Legacy:** Business leader, social reformer and community organiser

### The Achievements Brief

- Twice recognised by the Government of Rajasthan during Independence Day and Republic Day celebrations for his services in education and healthcare
- Awarded Best Coordinator across India for cancer awareness initiatives under the Marwari Yuva Manch
- Recognised by the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for his role in coordinating projects under the Ekal Abhiyan
- Named Best Worker by the Ekal Abhiyan Bangalore Chapter, reflecting his consistent contributions to social causes

# SANJIV SARAF

## Guardian of Languages and Culture

### Who is Sanjiv Saraf:

An entrepreneur, philanthropist and cultural visionary.

### His Mission Statement:

To safeguard India's linguistic and cultural heritage by harnessing technology, community engagement and innovation for future generations.



Born in Fatehpur, Rajasthan and educated at The Scindia School and IIT Kharagpur, Sanjiv Saraf has spent his life building enterprises and institutions that create lasting impact. As Chairman of Polyplex Corporation Ltd and Founder of the Rekhta Foundation, he has seamlessly combined business acumen with cultural stewardship. Under his leadership, Rekhta has grown into the world's largest digital repository of Urdu literature while branching into Hindi, Sufi-Bhakti and regional languages, most notably through Anjas, the Rajasthani initiative. His journey reflects both entrepreneurial excellence and a profound personal bond with heritage, making him one of the foremost champions of Indian culture today.

#### Rekhta: Innovation Meets Heritage

In 2012, Saraf founded the Rekhta Foundation with a vision to preserve and democratise access to India's languages and literature. Today, *rekhta.org* offers free access to more than 350,000 digitised Urdu books and manuscripts, reaching readers in over 160 countries. This pioneering platform has since expanded into *hindwi.org* for Hindi, *sufinama.org* for Sufi-Bhakti traditions, *rekhtadictionary.com* for linguistic resources and *anjas.org* for Rajasthani. Each initiative integrates archival work with digital tools, bridging centuries of tradition with modern audiences.

Rekhta is also known for cultural festivals like *Jashn-e-Rekhta*, one of the largest celebrations of Indian languages, drawing audiences in the

hundreds of thousands. With *Anjas*, Saraf has turned his attention to Rajasthan's endangered oral traditions, producing documentary series, illustrated books and the *Anjas Mahotsav Festival* in Jodhpur. These efforts empower folk artists, revive forgotten practices and bring regional culture onto global stages.

#### Rooted to his Cultural Identity

Although his professional life flourished in India and abroad, Rajasthan has remained central to Saraf's identity. His familial ties to Fatehpur shaped his sensitivity to heritage, while his cultural projects honour the traditions of his homeland. Through *Anjas*, he has institutionalised this commitment by documenting oral storytelling, music and folk practices that risk extinction. By marrying



technology with community outreach, Saraf has ensured that Rajasthan's cultural treasures are not only preserved but also celebrated worldwide.

His work demonstrates that safeguarding intangible heritage is not nostalgia but nation-building. By giving platforms to languages and traditions that might otherwise fade, he inspires pride in identity and continuity across generations. Saraf's legacy is one of visionary leadership that binds past and present into a meaningful cultural continuum.

### The Saraf Dossier

- **Entrepreneur:** Chairman, Polyplex Corporation Ltd.
- **Cultural Visionary:** Founder, Rekhta Foundation (2012)
- **Innovator:** Pioneered digital repositories for Urdu, Hindi, Sufi-Bhakti and Rajasthani literature
- **Heritage Builder:** Established Anjas to revive Rajasthan's folk traditions

### The Achievements Brief

- 2013: *Farogh-e-Urdu Award*, Nai Duniya
- 2016: Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.), Maulana Azad National Urdu University
- 2016: Ghalib Award, Ghalib Institute, New Delhi
- 2016: Mir Taqi Mir Award, New York
- 2017: Urdu Sewi Samman, Madhya Pradesh Urdu Academy
- 2018: National Sir Syed Excellence Award, Aligarh Muslim University
- 2024: Junoon Award to *Rekhta Foundation* for pioneering cultural preservation

# SANTOSH KUMAR RAJPUROHIT

## From Enterprise to Empathy

### Who is Santosh Rajpurohit:

A dynamic businessman and humanitarian dedicated to blending enterprise with empathy.

**His Mission Statement:** To drive inclusive growth by building enterprises that create livelihoods while uplifting communities through compassion and action.



Born in Noon, Jalore and based in Kolkata, Santosh Kumar Rajpurohit exemplifies the spirit of Rajasthan — industrious, grounded and generous. His professional pursuits in exports, transport and logistics have not only strengthened trade linkages across India but also become a bridge connecting opportunity with impact. Deeply proud of his roots, Rajpurohit continues to invest his time and resources in community development projects across Rajasthan, ensuring that his success is shared with those who need it most. He is also the President of Rajasthan Foundation - Kolkata Chapter.

#### Building Enterprise, Creating Opportunity

From humble beginnings to establishing a thriving business ecosystem in Kolkata, Santosh Rajpurohit has built his career on vision and values. As a leading entrepreneur in the export and logistics sector, he has contributed to the growth of domestic and international trade networks, creating employment opportunities for countless families. His approach combines strategic foresight with compassion, ensuring that business growth translates into tangible benefits for workers, suppliers and communities.

Rajpurohit's ventures have consistently demonstrated resistance and adaptability — qualities deeply rooted in his Rajasthani heritage. His professional integrity and long-term relationships with clients have positioned him as a trusted name in his industry. Yet, beyond the boardroom, he remains an advocate of ethical entrepreneurship — one that prioritises sustainability, fairness and the welfare of those involved in every stage of business operations.

His professional journey reflects a unique blend of acumen and altruism, making him a role model for the younger generation of Rajasthani entrepreneurs.

#### Empowering Communities, Enriching Lives

Rajpurohit's philanthropy stems from a deep conviction that progress is incomplete without compassion. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he emerged as a frontline humanitarian, arranging transport for stranded families, supplying hospitals with water and beds and supporting children with essential educational materials. His initiatives ensured that relief reached even the most remote corners of Rajasthan.

In partnership with the Women & Child Development Department, Jalore, he has helped strengthen Anganwadi centres by funding construction, renovation and essential resources for children and mothers. These initiatives reflect his enduring belief that every act of giving must create lasting social infrastructure.

For Rajpurohit, social work is not an occasional gesture — it's an ongoing responsibility. Whether supporting educational programmes, enabling livelihoods, or responding to emergencies, his actions resonate with empathy and efficiency. Through his leadership, he continues to inspire others to blend business achievement with community upliftment, embodying the timeless Indian principle of seva — service before self.

### The Rajpurohit Dossier

- **Industry Focus:** Export, transport and logistics
- **Base of Operations:** Kolkata, West Bengal
- **Native Roots:** Noon, Jalore, Rajasthan
- **Social Focus:** Education, healthcare and community welfare
- **Key Collaborations:** Women & Child Development Department, Jalore
- **Community Role:** Supporter of grassroots Anganwadi initiatives and COVID-19 relief work

### The Achievements Brief

- Recognised by the Women & Child Development Department, Jalore, for strengthening Anganwadi centres under the Integrated Child Development Services scheme
- Led large-scale COVID-19 relief efforts, arranging transport for stranded workers and families returning to Rajasthan and providing medical and educational support
- Honoured by the District Administration of Jalore for outstanding humanitarian contributions during the pandemic
- Continues to champion community-driven development projects in Rajasthan, focusing on children's welfare, education and rural resilience
- Widely respected as an entrepreneur whose business acumen and social responsibility go hand-in-hand

# SANTOSH KUMAR TIBAREWALA

## Entrepreneur and Community Builder

### Who is Santosh Tibarewala:

Business leader, philanthropist and custodian of family legacy across Nepal, Rajasthan and Singapore.

### His Mission Statement:

To blend enterprise with community service while preserving heritage and promoting harmony across cultures.



Born on 4 August 1951 in Kathmandu, Nepal, Santosh Kumar Tibarewala is the Managing Director of Polymet SA (S) Pte Ltd, a leading distributor of polymers and machinery. His journey in the polymer industry began in 1982 and he established a permanent presence in Singapore in 2001. Originally from Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, the Tibarewala family migrated to Nepal in 1851 at the invitation of the Prime Minister, Shri Jung Bahadur Rana, becoming one of the first Marwari families to settle there. Over generations, they built enduring businesses and social institutions, including the Mahabir Dharmshala and the Satya Narayan Mandir in Birganj. Santosh carries forward this 170-year-old legacy, combining global business leadership with impactful community service in Nepal, India and Singapore.

### Family Legacy and Rajasthan Roots

The Tibarewala lineage traces back to Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, where their ancestral properties and dharmshalas still stand. In 1851, three sons of Shri Hucharmal Ji Tibarewala—Maya Ram Ji, Ram Rai Ji and Ramkaran Dass Ji—expanded to Nepal, pioneering trade links with Europe and Asia. Their contributions were honoured with the Medal of Honour (1855) and the title of *Battis Kothi Mahajan* (1938). The family built temples, *dharmshalas* and community halls, including donations of land in Jhunjhunu (1993) for the Shri Khemi Sati Mandir Trust. Santosh's grandfather Shri Mahabir Prashad Ji and father Shri Babulal Ji also dedicated their lives to temple building and community welfare. Santosh continues to uphold this spirit, ensuring the family's Rajasthan connection remains alive across borders.

### Business and Cultural Leadership

Santosh's most significant achievement is expanding Polymet SA (S) Pte Ltd into a trusted regional distributor. His vision to establish a branch in Singapore was realised in 2001, with him being granted citizenship in 2007. Alongside business growth, he held leadership positions such as Honorary Consul of Morocco (2000–2006), board member of the Nepal Chamber of Commerce and currently the Vice President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Singapore Chapter.

In Singapore, he has united communities through cultural celebrations such as Gangaur Pujan, Teej Mela and the pioneering multi-community Holi Festival, now drawing 4,000+ participants annually. His leadership in Marwari Mitra Mandal (President 2014–2016; Chairman Advisory Board since 2016) and civic bodies like the Racial and Religious Harmony Circle highlight his commitment to inclusivity.

### The Tibarewala Dossier

- **Business Leadership:** Managing Director, Polymet SA (S) Pte Ltd
- **Cultural Custodian:** Revived Marwari festivals and built inclusive platforms like the Holi Festival in Singapore
- **Global Service:** Honorary Consul of Morocco (2000–2006); Board Member, Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry;
- **Diaspora Leadership:** President, Marwari Mitra Mandal, Singapore (2014–2016); Vice President, Rajasthan Foundation – Singapore Chapter

### The Achievements Brief

- 1855: Medal of Honour for service during Bhot (Tibet) war (family legacy)
- 1938: Title of *Battis Kothi Mahajan* in Nepal (family legacy)
- 2000–2006: Honorary Consul of Morocco, Nepal
- 2020: Dedicated Voluntary Service Award, Singapore
- 2024: District Achievement Award, Singapore
- 2024: Elected to Board, SICCI



# SANTOSH PATWARI

## Forging Prosperity, Fuelled by Purpose

### Who is Santosh Patwari:

A self-made entrepreneur, social leader and philanthropist reshaping Coimbatore's industrial and social landscape.

**His Mission Statement:** To build enterprises that empower communities while staying rooted in values and service.



From a modest village in Rajasthan to becoming a defining force in Coimbatore's steel industry, Santosh Patwari's journey is one of grit, integrity and vision. Born on 1 March 1963 in Mau, Rajasthan, he completed his graduation from the University of Rajasthan before moving to Coimbatore in pursuit of opportunity. Starting with nothing but grit, he founded Patwari Metals Forge Pvt Ltd, which today stands among the largest iron and steel manufacturing and distribution firms in South India. Beyond business, his name has become synonymous with education, welfare and social reform across the region. As the President of Rajasthan Foundation – Coimbatore Chapter, he actively works to bring together communities and create a ripple of progress that continues to grow.

### Building the Steel of Coimbatore

When Santosh arrived in Coimbatore, the city relied heavily on steel supplies from other states. With determination and business acumen, he changed that dynamic. By establishing Patwari Metals Forge in 1994, he helped transform Coimbatore into a self-sustaining steel hub, fuelling regional development and creating hundreds of jobs. His company, once a small unit with ₹50 lakh turnover, now boasts revenues of over 100 crore. His efforts were recognised when he received the Doctorate from the National Virtual University for Peace and Education for his contributions to social and communication development and the GEA Global Excellence Award (2022) for outstanding entrepreneurship and service.

### A Legacy of Service and Community

Santosh's vision extends far beyond boardrooms. Deeply devoted to social causes, he has founded and supported several welfare institutions, including the Shree Maharaja Agrasen Education Trust, which operates schools and colleges; the People for People Foundation, which runs a free public dispensary; and the Mewadevi Madanlal Patwari Dispensary, offering free medical care. He has donated a girls' higher secondary school building and implemented a full-scale water

supply system for his native village, Mau. As the President of the Dakshin Bharatiya Agarwal Samaj (2015–2017), representing 4,800 families across South India, he pioneered one of the first online matrimonial initiatives for the Agarwal community. His involvement in the Rotary Club, CODISSIA, Siruthuli (for water conservation) and numerous other welfare trusts reflects a life dedicated to collective upliftment.

### The Patwari Dossier

- **Founder & Managing Director**, Patwari Metals Forge Pvt Ltd
- **President** (2015–17), Dakshin Bharatiya Agarwal Samaj
- **Founder** Trustee, Shree Maharaja Agrasen Education Trust, Coimbatore
- **Founder** Trustee, People for People Foundation, Coimbatore
- **Active Member**, Chamber of Commerce & Industries and CODISSIA



### The Achievements Brief

- Grew Patwari Metals Forge from ₹50 lakh to ₹100 crore turnover
- Transformed Coimbatore into a self-reliant steel hub
- Recipient of a Doctorate from National Virtual University for Peace and Education
- Honoured with the GEA Global Excellence Award (2022)
- Pioneered Rajasthan Covid Centre in Coimbatore during the pandemic
- Built school infrastructure and rural water systems in Rajasthan
- Patron Trustee for multiple educational and welfare institutions in South India



DR SATYA NARAYAN CHANDAK

## Philanthropist and Agricultural Pioneer

### Who is Dr Chandak:

A versatile leader, banker-turned-entrepreneur, agricultural innovator and philanthropist.

### His Mission Statement:

To promote sustainable agriculture, empower communities and preserve Rajasthan's cultural and economic heritage.

Born on 5 November 1949 in Jaipur, Dr Satya Narayan Chandak is a multifaceted professional known for his contributions to banking, dairy, agriculture, education and philanthropy. After completing his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Commerce from the University of Rajasthan, he pursued Law in Uttar Pradesh, earned his CAIIB qualification during his banking career and later completed a fellowship in Management. He began his career in the banking sector, rose to senior leadership positions in the dairy industry with the Indana Group and went on to establish Sheel Biotech Ltd in New Delhi. A visionary entrepreneur and philanthropist, he has dedicated his life to agriculture, education and social service, creating sustainable impact across industries and communities.

### Rajasthan Roots and Social Commitment

A proud son of Rajasthan, Dr Chandak was born and raised in Jaipur and has always maintained a close bond with his homeland. His contribution to Rajasthan's economy and society is remarkable. In 1986 he played a pivotal role in the waiver of excise duty on marble, securing the future of the Kishangarh marble industry by resisting exploitative transport unions. He also led 150 people in a shramdaan initiative to deepen the Ana Sagar Lake, a testament to his belief in community-led action. Beyond business, he has continuously supported students from underprivileged backgrounds, promoted organic farming and fostered cultural heritage through poetry, literature and fundraising events. His philanthropic work extends nationally, including initiatives to support drought-affected communities in Rajasthan.

### Business and Leadership

Dr Chandak's professional career spans five decades across diverse sectors. After serving in senior positions in public sector banking (1970–1980), he became CEO of the Indana Group (1980–1989), launching the popular coffee brand Gold Cafe in 1988. From 1990 to 2019, he chaired Sheel Biotech Ltd, bringing advanced farming technologies such as tissue culture and hydroponics to India. His vision of sustainable farming and organic cultivation continues to influence agricultural practices nationwide. Today, as Chairman of Swarg NGO and an office-bearer of several leading organisations, he remains a driving force for education, agriculture and social empowerment.

### The Chandak Dossier

- **Chairman:** Sheel Biotech Ltd, New Delhi (1990–2019)
- **Former CEO:** Indana Group, dairy and FMCG products (1980–1989)
- **Chairman:** Swarg NGO
- **Treasurer:** All India Vaish Federation
- **President:** IEDRA and Ajmer Association, New Delhi
- **Former President:** Delhi Pradesh Maheshwari Sangathan and Rajasthan Mitra Parishad
- **Vice President:** Sanatan Dharam Sabha (New Delhi) and Gyan Mandir (Kishangarh)
- **Patron/Member:** Multiple cultural, agricultural and philanthropic organisations across India



### The Achievements Brief

- **1982:** National Safety Award by Ministry of Labour, Government of India
- **1986:** Waiver of excise duty on marble industry, Rajasthan
- **1994:** Rajiv Gandhi National Unity Award, All India National Unity Conference
- **2015:** Vaish Ratna Award, All India Vaish Federation
- **Delhi Ratna Award:** By Government of Delhi
- **Industry of Excellence Award:** Ministry of Food Processing
- **Best Organic Man Award:** By Agriculture Minister, Government of India

# SHAMBHU PRASAD BIYANI



## Trader, Mentor and Family Man

### Who is Shambhu Prasad:

A global timber trader, a principled entrepreneur and a mentor inspired by Marwari values.

**His Mission Statement:** To pursue growth with integrity, empower others through mentorship and leave a legacy built on family, determination and trust.

Born in 1955 in Sikar, Rajasthan and raised in Ujjain, Shambhu Prasad Biyani’s life reflects will-power, adaptability and self-discipline. From his early years, balancing college studies with part-time work in Kolkata, he cultivated financial independence and perseverance. His professional journey took shape through formative experiences with the K. K. Birla Group and later the Aditya Birla Group, where a life-changing opportunity came through an interview with the late Shri Aditya Vikram Birla. This opened doors to an overseas assignment in Singapore, where he discovered his entrepreneurial drive and entered the dynamic world of timber trading. Over five decades, Biyani has travelled to more than 70 countries, building a timber business that sources from over 30 nations and supplies across India. His life story is less about accolades and more about principles—financial independence, adaptability, integrity and gratitude—values that have guided both his professional and personal legacy.

### Architect of Global Trade

Transitioning from corporate roles to entrepreneurship, Biyani carved out a niche in the international timber industry. His reputation as a trusted trader rests not only on business acumen but also on honesty and relationship-building. Sourcing from more than 30 countries, he created reliable supply chains and cultivated long-standing client partnerships in India.

His entrepreneurial path demonstrates how endurance and openness to opportunity can redefine one’s career trajectory. Each international journey deepened his worldview, reinforcing his belief that success is as much about relationships and ethics as it is about profit.

### Mentor and Family Man

Biyani’s drive is deeply personal. He emphasises the quiet strength of family support and the fulfilment of giving back. Through mentoring, community engagement and ethical guidance, he continues to influence the next generation. His values—financial discipline, adaptability and trust—remain his greatest legacy.

For him, success is not measured in titles or awards, but in the love of family, the respect of peers and the ability to inspire others to pursue purposeful, resilient lives.



### The Biyani Dossier

- **Global Timber Trader:** Built a trading business sourcing from 30+ countries and serving clients across India
- **Resilient Professional:** Career shaped by formative years at K. K. Birla Group and Aditya Birla Group
- **World Traveller:** Business journeys spanning 70+ countries, enriching professional and cultural understanding
- **Mentor & Guide:** Advocate of financial independence, adaptability and integrity for the next generation
- **Rooted in Rajasthan:** Born in Sikar; embodies Marwari values of discipline, perseverance and community

### The Achievements Brief

- Transitioned from employee to entrepreneur, building a trusted name in global timber trade
- Established supply partnerships across 30+ countries with strong client relationships in India
- Recognised for reliability, ethical business practices and long-term trust in international markets
- Inspired many through mentorship, emphasising financial independence, grit and integrity
- Created a lasting family legacy, ensuring values are carried forward to the next generation

# SHITAL OMPRAKASH AGRAWAL

## Forging Futures with Integrity

### Who is Shital O. Agrawal:

A first-generation entrepreneur, educationist and philanthropist shaping lives through fortitude, values and vision.

### His Mission Statement:

To honour every commitment, no matter the cost and to build institutions that blend knowledge with integrity for the betterment of society.

With roots in Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, Shital Omprakash Agrawal grew up in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, watching his father build and rebuild, often from nothing, yet never compromise on his values. Those lessons became the foundation of his own life — resilience in adversity, dignity in work and integrity in every word. He vividly recalls an incident when his father honoured a steel contract despite a sudden price rise that resulted in a financial loss. That act instilled in him a lifelong truth: business is not merely about profit, but about reputation, trust and the sanctity of one's word.

### The Journey of Enterprise and Education

In 1991, he entered entrepreneurship with his father's aluminium die-casting factory, gradually building it into Pratt Muller Distributors Ltd. His education in engineering from Birla Vishvakarma Mahavidyalaya gave him both technical knowledge and the courage to dream bigger. That dream took shape in 2009 when he founded the Silver Oak College of Engineering and Technology in Ahmedabad, which later grew into the Silver Oak University. Guided by the principle of Gyanam Param Bhushanam—knowledge is the highest virtue—Silver Oak University comprises more than a dozen institutions, nurturing thousands of students every year with an education that values skill, vision and ethics in equal measure.

His journey also extended into unique collaborations. During Operation Parakram in 2001, Agrawal worked with the Indian Army as a civilian Mining Specialist Engineer, constructing bunkers on the India-Pakistan border. Later, through a Transfer of Technology agreement with DRDO, he pioneered the production of India's first indigenously made Radar Scattering Camouflage Net, contributing to national defence. These experiences reflect his ability to combine entrepreneurship with patriotism, innovation with responsibility.

### Values in Action, Legacy in Service

For Agrawal, true achievement lies not just in

building institutions but in shaping lives. His values of integrity, commitment and resistance reflect in his work across education, healthcare, community welfare and philanthropy. At Silver Oak University, he has introduced free OPD and physiotherapy services and under his leadership the institution has adopted five villages, where initiatives like blood donation drives, maternal health programmes, tree-planting and hygiene campaigns continue to uplift rural communities.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, he stood by his students, staff and society at large—arranging food kits, sponsoring vaccines and supporting frontline workers. Earlier, during the Gujarat earthquake relief efforts, he pioneered a pre-fabricated housing segment to help rehabilitate affected families. In 2006, he also established the Silver Oak Shops & Offices Co-Operative Housing Society, which manages a National Skill Development Centre under the Skill India Campaign.

Together with his wife Poonam, who serves as Executive President of Silver Oak University, he nurtures not only his own family but a generation of young learners, ensuring they inherit culturally rooted values, integrity and social responsibility. For Agrawal, legacy is measured not in awards but in impact: how education, service and determination can inspire change in people's lives.



### The Shital Dossier

- **Chairman, Silver Oak University, Ahmedabad**
- **Managing Director, Pratt Muller Distributors Ltd**
- **Former Civilian Mining Specialist Engineer, Indian Army (Operation Parakram)**
- **Trustee, Rajasthan Hospital; Chancellor, Bharat Scouts and Guides**

### The Achievements Brief

- **Founder of Silver Oak University, now one of Gujarat's leading private universities**
- **Pioneered paid internship and on-the-job training model in India**
- **Transfer of Technology with DRDO for Radar Scattering Camouflage Net**
- **Ratna Award from Agrawal Samaj**
- **Young Businessman Award**
- **Led extensive Covid-19 relief efforts including food, vaccines and healthcare**

# SHREEGOPAL KABRA

## Wiring the World with Purpose

### Who is Shreegopal Kabra:

A pioneering industrialist and global entrepreneur driving sustainable growth through innovation, ethics and empowerment.

### His Mission Statement:

To electrify progress responsibly—powering industries, empowering communities and inspiring the next generation of leaders.



Born in 1958 in Biratnagar, Nepal, to a Marwari family originally from Shahpura, Sikar district, Rajasthan, Shreegopal Kabra inherited a legacy of trade and tenacity. His father, late Rameshwarlal Kabra, instilled in him the courage to dream beyond boundaries and the humility to remain grounded. From listening to business talk at the family table to helping at the shop as a schoolboy, Shreegopal absorbed the rhythm of enterprise early on.

### Born to Build and Believe

At just 14, while in the ninth standard, Shreegopal was handed the keys to his father’s electrical trading firm during the festive season. For 21 days, he ran the operations single-handedly and not only succeeded but also impressed every associate who walked through the door. His father’s reward of a token ₹21 symbolised much more than money — it marked the birth of a leader destined to redefine India’s electrical industry.

As he matured, challenges followed — losses tested his resolve and family circumstances demanded strength. Yet, instead of retreating, Shreegopal took charge of the struggling business, proving that “rock bottom can be the foundation on which success is rebuilt.”

### Powering Progress, Globally

By his early thirties, Shreegopal had transformed his father’s modest copper trading venture into RR Global — a world-class manufacturing

conglomerate with interests across electricals, infrastructure and chemicals. Headquartered in Mumbai, the Group, today, stands as a US\$1 billion enterprise with operations spanning 73 countries and seven continents and a team of over 3,500 professionals.

The flagship brand, RR Kabel, is synonymous with safety, reliability and innovation in electrical wiring and cabling. Under his leadership, the Group also diversified into RR Parkon (automated parking systems), RR Shramik (specialty wires) and RR Infra. Each venture reflects his belief that business should create value not only for shareholders but for society at large.

Shreegopal’s entrepreneurial journey is not just about corporate success — it’s about vision anchored in values. He credits his progress to teamwork, transparency and trust. “Education and background open doors,” he often says, “but it is humility and hard work that keep them open.”



### The Kabra Dossier

- **Managing Director** – Ram Ratna Group (RR Global), Mumbai
- **Founder** – RR Kabel, RR Parkon, RR Shramik, RR Infra
- **Native** of Shahpura, District Sikar, Rajasthan
- **Former Joint Secretary** – Maheshwari Pragati Mandal, Eastern Mumbai
- **Advocate** for ethical leadership and youth entrepreneurship

### The Achievements Brief

- Built RR Global into a US\$1 billion multinational with a footprint across 73 countries
- Recognised among India’s top industrial leaders in the electrical sector
- Led RR Kabel to international acclaim for quality and innovation
- Awarded multiple honours for export excellence and industrial contribution
- Established sustainable practices and CSR projects under RR Foundation
- Active contributor to educational and cultural initiatives in India and abroad
- Honoured across business chambers for his role in empowering Indian enterprise globally

# SHYAM BAGRI

## Feeding a Nation's Wellness

### Who is Shyam Bagri:

A pioneering entrepreneur and visionary behind India's breakfast revolution.

### His Mission Statement:

To make healthy eating accessible, sustainable and a way of life for every Indian.



When the concept of breakfast cereals was still unknown to India, one man envisioned a healthier, more mindful nation. Shyam Bagri, founder of Bagrry's India Limited, transformed how India thinks about food. From the heart of Rajasthan to the global marketplace, his journey is one of conviction, perseverance and innovation driven by the simple belief that "good health begins at the table." Raised in a Marwari family rooted in enterprise and integrity, Bagri blended traditional values with a global mindset. What began as a small family venture has grown into one of India's most trusted names in health foods, renowned for quality, nutrition and transparency. With oats, muesli, bran and protein-rich blends, Bagrry's products are now a staple in millions of homes — symbolising the rise of a health-conscious India.

### From Tradition to Transformation

In the early 1980s, when processed foods were synonymous with indulgence rather than wellness, Bagri dared to challenge convention. Inspired by the rising health awareness in Europe and America, he saw potential for India to develop its own nutrition-based food industry. Armed with a background in business and an unyielding belief in natural nutrition, he founded Bagrry's India in 1986 in Delhi, with manufacturing roots extending back to his native Rajasthan.

Bagri's philosophy was simple yet revolutionary — use the power of grains and nature to build a healthier India. With this focus, Bagrry's became one of the first Indian companies to produce high-fibre bran and muesli, educating consumers long before "fitness" became a household term. Over the years, Bagri's leadership turned the family-run firm into a professionally managed enterprise, exporting to more than 40 countries and partnering with leading global retailers.

Despite market scepticism and infrastructural challenges, Bagri never compromised on principles. "Health cannot be manufactured cheaply," he once remarked — a statement that became Bagrry's guiding motto.

### Legacy of Health and Heritage

Under his guidance, Bagrry's India has become a symbol of responsible growth — balancing innovation with ethics and profit with purpose. The brand's evolution from a modest cereal manufacturer to a multinational food powerhouse stands as a testament to his foresight and adaptability.

Beyond commerce, Shyam Bagri represents a larger philosophy — that entrepreneurship must nurture society. His commitment to sustainable sourcing,



farmer partnerships and eco-conscious packaging has inspired a new generation of ethical businesses. He has also ensured that the company remains firmly connected to its Rajasthani roots, drawing from the state's values of perseverance, simplicity and trust.

Today, while his son Aditya leads the brand's modern expansion, Bagri's influence remains the foundation of its mission — "to bring health and happiness to every home." His story embodies the essence of Indian enterprise — grounded in culture, fuelled by vision and guided by humanity.

### The Bagri Dossier

- **Founder and Chairman:** Bagrry's India Limited
- **Industry Pioneer:** In natural and health-based foods in India
- **Native Roots:** Rajasthan
- **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **Export Reach:** Over 40 international markets



### The Achievements Brief

- Introduced India's first bran-based breakfast cereals
- Pioneered the muesli and oats segment in Indian FMCG
- Expanded Bagrry's to become India's No.1 health food brand in cereals and natural nutrition
- Recognised for commitment to sustainability and ethical sourcing
- Partnered with global retail chains including Walmart and Tesco
- Awarded multiple industry honours for innovation and brand excellence
- Inspired India's shift towards mindful and healthy living

# SHYAM RATHI

## Weaving Community Together

**Who is Shyam Rathi:** A Visionary  
Entrepreneur and Social Leader

### His Mission Statement:

To combine enterprise with service  
by building sustainable industries,  
empowering migrant Rajasthanis and  
creating institutions that transform  
communities across Gujarat and  
Rajasthan.

From the quiet village of Rateu in Barmer to the bustling textile markets of Surat, Shyam Rathi has lived a life of enterprise anchored in service. His pioneering migration journey enabled hundreds to prosper, his businesses have redefined Surat's textile economy and his social institutions continue to uplift thousands daily. By combining industry with service and progress with sustainability, he embodies the timeless values of Rajasthan while building a legacy that resonates far beyond its borders.

#### A Legacy of Enterprise with Service

Born in 1965 in Rateu, Barmer, Rathi was the first from his region to establish a textile business in Surat, having moved in 1988. This bold decision defined his entrepreneurial journey and opened pathways for others to follow. Today, as the Chairman of Mahesh Group of Industries, Rathi leads enterprises in dyeing, printing, weaving, garmenting and real estate, employing more than 5,000 workers and 300 staff, many from Rajasthan.

His contribution goes beyond business. Over the years, he has mentored 300-500 Rajasthanis who chose to migrate to Surat, collectively helping them establish more than 2,000 shops in the city's textile markets. He has also built schools, hospitals and community organisations that serve thousands every day.

#### The Rajasthan Connection

Although Surat has been his base for over three decades, Rathi has remained deeply connected to his native Barmer and Jodhpur districts. Inspired by his family's tradition of service, he supports schools, *gaushalas* and social projects across Barmer, Chautan, Gadhra, Baytu and nearby villages. Under the Ministry of Jal Shakti's *Catch the Rain* campaign, he initiated rainwater harvesting and recharge borewell projects, planning more than 500 borewells in Osian Tehsil, Jodhpur. His efforts continue to benefit drought-prone communities in Rajasthan. As the President of Rajasthan Foundation - Surat Chapter, he actively fosters collaboration and community pride.

#### Professional Sector and Industry Leadership

Rathi leads the Mahesh Group of Industries, a diversified enterprise spanning textiles, garments and real estate. In textiles, his leadership extends across Mahesh Dyeing & Printing, Mahadev Silk Mills, Naveen Silk Mills, Shrijay D&P and Siddhi Vinayak Weaves. His garment ventures include Keshvi Apparels and Poly Trendz, while Kamdhenu Enterprises anchors his real estate interests.

As the Founder-Director of Palsana Enviro Protection Ltd., he pioneered sustainability in the sector by establishing Asia's largest Common Effluent Treatment Plant (200 MLD/day), making Surat a model for eco-friendly processing. His leadership in SGPTA, SGCCI and Rajasthan Yuva Sangh have further shaped industrial growth and diaspora engagement.

#### Contribution and Impact

Rathi has consistently integrated business success with social responsibility. His institutions serve society daily: free healthcare for 300 patients at Rajasthan Chaydo Manavseva Hospital, education for over 3,000 students at Maheshwari Vidyapeeth and Maheshwari Public School and cultural preservation through gaushalas and welfare initiatives.

His water conservation projects across Jodhpur are reviving groundwater and improving rural livelihoods, while his mobilisation of ₹2.5 crores from Surat for the Ram Mandir Nirman reflects his cultural commitment. He currently serves as the President of Maheshwari Seva Sadan, the Secretary of Maheshwari Shiksha Sanstha, Maheshwari Bhawan and Rajasthan Chaydo Hospital, while acting as trustee and donor to more than 50 organisations.

### The Rathi Dossier

- Born:** Rateu, Barmer district, Rajasthan (1965)
- Base:** Surat, Gujarat
- Role:** Chairman, Mahesh Group of Industries; President, Maheshwari Seva Sadan
- Legacy:** Textile pioneer, community mentor, institution builder



### The Achievements Brief

- ₹2.5 crore mobilised for Ram Mandir Nirman
- Gau Bhamasha Award (2011) - Mahathirth Godham Pathmera
- Maheshwari Bhamasha Shaman (2005) - Shri Akhil Bhartiya Seva Sadan
- Mahesh Ratna Award (2016) - Maheshwari Zila Sabha Surat
- Udham Ratna Award (2017) - Bharat Bharti Sanstha Surat
- Ratna Award (2018) - Maheshwari Samaj Jodhpur

# TRIBHUVAN KHANDELWAL

## Of Gems and Global Connections

### Who is Tribhuvan Khandelwal:

A Gemstone Visionary and Cultural Connector

**His Mission Statement:** To strengthen the bridge between India and Japan by promoting Jaipur's gemstone craftsmanship globally while fostering trust, innovation and cultural exchange.



From the historic Pink City of Jaipur to the precision-driven business world of Tokyo, Tribhuvan Khandelwal's journey is a story of heritage, ambition and perseverance. Born into a family of jewellers and mine owners, he carried forward the ancestral legacy while readying it for the global stage. Educated at Mayo College, Ajmer and the University of Rajasthan, where he pursued History and English Literature, he initially dreamed of becoming a journalist. But his adventurous spirit and fascination with culture and trade led him to gemstones—a medium through which he could tell India's story to the world. In 1991, he settled in Japan, where he founded Real Gems, a company that today stands as one of the most respected suppliers of precision-cut gemstones to elite Japanese brands. In addition to advancing his family's business legacy, he serves as the President of the Rajasthan Foundation – Tokyo Chapter, fostering enduring cultural and economic connections.

### Innovating Entrepreneur

Through Real Gems, Khandelwal introduced innovations in gemstone cutting that transformed how Japanese brands perceived and used Jaipur's craftsmanship. By addressing critical issues—such as communication gaps, delays and quality inconsistencies—he built systems that offered transparency, timely delivery and unmatched precision. His pioneering approach not only secured India's reputation in Japan but also created direct linkages between Jaipur's craftsmen and the Japanese jewellery industry. Today, Real Gems caters to hundreds of stores across Japan, supplying both calibrated gemstones and ready-made jewellery while also facilitating direct business exchanges between the two nations.

### Cultural Bridge Builder

Since 1996, Khandelwal has personally accompanied clients from Japan to Jaipur, introducing them to the art of cutting and jewellery-making. This effort not only boosted confidence in Indian craftsmanship but also created job opportunities for countless cutters and artisans who, in a pre-digital era, had limited access to global markets. Over time, several Japanese companies launched their own Indian jewellery lines and even established factories in Sitapura, Jaipur—an achievement rooted in the trust, introductions and cultural diplomacy he fostered. Beyond business, he and his wife, Annu, who served as president of an international school in Japan, have worked tirelessly to strengthen people-to-people ties, ensuring that their life abroad remained firmly connected to their Rajasthani roots.



### The Khandelwal Dossier

- **Jaipur-born** entrepreneur with 35+ years in Japan
- **Founder**, Real Gems—linking Jaipur's gemstone industry with elite Japanese brands
- **Owner**, Nawab Saheb Ki Haveli, Jaipur, famed for its panoramic city views
- **Mentor** and connector, enabling Japanese companies to invest and set up factories in Rajasthan

### The Achievements Brief

- Founded Real Gems, now a trusted supplier to Japan's premier jewellery brands
- Innovated gemstone cutting and quality systems, setting new industry benchmarks
- Facilitated Japanese investments in Sitapura, creating jobs for artisans in Jaipur
- Strengthened cultural and economic ties between India and Japan through business diplomacy

# VIJAY SONI

## Empowering Business, Enriching Community

**Who is Vijay Soni:** A Finance Leader  
and Bilateral Trade Connector

**His Mission Statement:**  
To strengthen India– Saudi Arabia  
economic and cultural ties by  
leveraging financial expertise, business  
diplomacy and community leadership  
rooted in Rajasthani values.

Born in Jodhpur, Rajasthan and based in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia for over two decades, Vijay Soni's journey reflects both professional excellence and deep social commitment. A Chartered Accountant and multi-certified global finance professional, he has held senior roles that bridge corporate strategy with international business development. Today, as Chief Financial Officer of SAGCO—the largest container glass manufacturing company in the MENA region—he oversees financial strategy for a multinational enterprise, while also shaping business diplomacy that benefits India and Saudi Arabia alike. His engagements have included being part of delegations alongside the Prime Minister of India and senior cabinet ministers, creating opportunities that blend commerce, culture and community.

### Innovating Finance and Industry

Soni combines over two decades of cross-border leadership in finance, taxation, risk management and business acquisitions with an innate talent for crisis turnaround and strategic growth. His role at SAGCO involves steering regulatory compliance and global expansion, while his advisory contributions extend to trade delegations, bilateral investment forums and industry summits. His credentials are formidable—FCA (ICAI, India), CMA and CFM (IMA, USA), CPA (Australia), alongside postgraduate honours from the University of Jodhpur, where he ranked second in his class. His credentials have earned him recognition as both a trusted CFO and a sought-after voice in Gulf-region economic policy and financial governance.

### Cultural Connector and Leader

For Soni, professional achievement is inseparable from cultural engagement. He has played a pivotal role in showcasing Rajasthan's strengths to Saudi audiences, including supporting the Gems & Jewellery Expo (SAJEX, 2018), the first of its kind in the Kingdom, where Indian creativity and craftsmanship won admiration. As the President of Rajasthan Foundation – Riyadh, Saudi Arabia chapter, he aims to expand the membership toward a four-digit milestone, ensuring that Pravasi Rajasthanis remain connected and active in shaping bilateral narratives. By co-founding the Marwari Yuva Manch's first Saudi chapter, he has created a platform for youth leadership, social service and community cohesion in the diaspora.

Soni has actively shaped discourse on taxation, regulation and bilateral business through published articles and media contributions, including Saudi Gazette, *Al Bilad Daily* and *Siasat*. His insights on VAT, GST, recession risks and fintech-driven transparency have guided businesses navigating changing landscapes. As an invited speaker at international forums—from Vibrant Goa to G20-linked business platforms—he has amplified Indo-Saudi collaboration while sharing expertise on global finance.



### The Soni Dossier

- **Born:** Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- **Based:** Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- **Role:** CFO, SAGCO – MENA's largest container glass manufacturer
- **Credentials:** FCA (India), CMA & CFM (USA), CPA (Australia), M.Com (University of Jodhpur – 2<sup>nd</sup> Rank)

### The Achievements Brief

- Led high-level business delegations, including engagements with the Prime Minister of India and Saudi dignitaries
- Facilitated Rajasthan trade missions in marble, construction and business sectors
- Organised cultural showcases, including Saudi Arabia's first Gems & Jewellery Expo (2018)
- Expanded Rajasthan Foundation membership in Saudi Arabia toward 1,000+ members
- Co-founded Marwari Yuva Manch, Saudi chapter, promoting youth leadership
- Outstanding Service Award – Consul General of India, Jeddah
- Outstanding Service Award – IMA (USA) Global Components Roundtable
- Widely acknowledged across forums for contributions to bilateral relations, professional excellence and diaspora leadership



# DR VIPIN GOEL

## A Masterclass in Surgical Compassion

### Who is Dr Vipin Goel:

A healer, an educator and  
an innovator.

### His Mission Statement:

To democratise world-class cancer care  
through innovation, education and  
unwavering compassion.

Dr Goel's journey from the resilient sands of Jhunjhunu in Rajasthan to the cutting-edge operating theatres of Hyderabad is a masterclass in how having a deep sense of purpose can lead to incredible achievements not just for yourself but also for the society. The foundation to his medical career was laid at J.N. Medical College, Belgaum, followed by postgraduate training in Gulbarga at M.R. Medical College. His quest for specialisation led him to St. John's Medical College, Bangalore, where he earned his D.N.B. in Surgical Oncology. He did not stop there, pursuing advanced training in the niche field of peritoneal surface malignancy and HIPEC at the National Cancer Institute in Italy.

### Innovating Surgeon

Today, Dr Goel holds the prestigious post of Clinical Director and Head of Department, Surgical Oncology, Laparoscopic & Robotic Surgeon, Star Hospitals, Hyderabad. Beyond this designation, lies a disruptive innovator who has fundamentally altered cancer care and created a roadmap for other doctors to follow. A pioneering surgeon, he wields the 'Swiss army knife' of skill, invention and compassion to cut through the superficial layers of medical care. He has performed over 6,000 complex surgeries and has a procedure named after him. The 'Goel's Technique' for laparoscopic hysterectomy is a recognised formalised procedure now, published in medical literature and acknowledged for advancing gynaecological cancer treatment worldwide.

### Inspiring Mentor & Philanthropist

With over 25 international and national publications, his research has influenced medical practices and inspired surgeons worldwide. Believing strongly in knowledge-sharing, he mentors young doctors and has become a digital-era educator, using his popular YouTube channel to simplify complex surgeries for aspiring surgeons across the globe.

His compassion has become the synonym for hope in Bidar, Karnataka, where he has been offering free services for over 15 years. The free cancer OPD services and surgeries have given a new lease of life to over 10,000 individuals, saving lives through early detection.

His humanitarian spirit is also the foundation of his own charitable organisation that aids in removing financial blocks to treatment and supports development of vital healthcare infrastructure. He has also played a pivotal role in establishing two world-class cancer centres in Hyderabad, extending quality care to thousands.



### The Goel Dossier

- **Surgical Maestro:** 6,000+ complex surgeries performed, with a pioneering technique named after him
- **Institution Builder:** Played a pivotal role in establishing two premier cancer centres in Hyderabad
- **Digital-Era Educator:** Has a popular YouTube channel, democratising medical knowledge
- **Humanitarian:** For 15 years, has run free cancer OPD services and surgeries in Bidar, Karnataka

### The Achievements Brief

- Gold Medal & Fellowship, Association of Surgeons of India (2010)
- IBHI Young Innovator Award, Indo-UK Oncology Summit (2013)
- ESMO Award, ESMO Asia Conference, Singapore (2017, 2019)
- Times of India Health Excellence Award, Surgical Oncology (2021)
- Most Promising Oncologist in India (2024), Times Network
- Represented India on a global health platform in Ethiopia

# PROF. VIRENDRA KUMAR VIJAY

## Pioneer of Renewable Energy Innovation

**Who is Prof. Vijay:** An acclaimed professor, innovator and national coordinator transforming renewable energy and higher education.

**His Mission Statement:**  
To harness science for sustainable rural development and national progress.



Prof. Virendra Kumar Vijay is internationally recognised for his pioneering work in biogas purification and bottling technology, linking renewable energy to both rural empowerment and national policy. With over 37 years of teaching, research and outreach experience across Agricultural University Udaipur and IIT Delhi, he has been instrumental in shaping India's bio-CNG standards, driving Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and mentoring generations of students. His vision blends science, sustainability and service, creating long-term impact for communities and the environment.

### Driving Innovation

Prof. Vijay's most notable contribution is the design and development of India's first small-scale biogas enrichment and bottling technology, enabling its use in vehicles and organic agriculture. Under his leadership, IIT Delhi has successfully run a biogas-fuelled car for over 1,40,000km, an achievement that influenced the Bureau of Indian Standards to frame the biomethane (CBG) standard (IS:16087). His patents and technology transfers have benefited industries, *gaushalas* and entrepreneurs, while also advancing flagship government schemes such as GOBAR-Dhan and SATAT. Beyond technology, he has served as the General Secretary of Biogas Forum India and coordinated the Biogas Development and Training Centre, helping establish biogas as a mainstream renewable energy source.

### Championing Education and Development

As the National Coordinator of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a flagship initiative of the Ministry of Education, Prof. Vijay has built a strong network of 4,274 institutes connected to 20,000+ villages across India. His advocacy led to the inclusion of rural internships in AICTE programmes and the UGC-approved course "Fostering Social Responsibility and Community Engagement." His mission is to link every village with a higher

education institute by 2047, creating a virtuous cycle between academia and society. Through his leadership, students are not only educated but also sensitised to real socio-economic challenges, equipping them with values of responsibility and service.

### The Vijay Dossier

- **Founder** General Secretary, Biogas Forum India
- **National** Coordinator, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (Ministry of Education, GoI)
- **Coordinator**, Biogas Development and Training Centre, IIT Delhi (MNRE, GoI)
- **Board** of Governors Member, IIT Bhilai, Chhattisgarh
- **Author** of 8 books, 1 lab manual and over 200 research papers
- **Mentor** to thousands of students with 32+ years in higher education



### The Achievements Brief

- Designed and developed India's first small-scale biogas bottling technology for vehicles
- Holder of two Indian patents in bio-CNG enrichment and bottling
- Instrumental in formulation of India's biomethane (CBG) standard (IS:16087)
- Operated India's first biogas car at IIT Delhi for over 1,40,000 km
- Key architect of *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan*, connecting 20,000+ villages with academia
- Recipient of awards including: NERES National Award (2006), Jawaharlal Nehru Prize (2007), NEDAC Award (2015), Vasvik Industrial Research Award (2018), Eminent Engineers Award by Institution of Engineers India (2021) and Green Technology Innovator Award by India Green Energy Expo (2022)

# VISHNU KHEMANI

## A Visionary of Industry and Service

### Who is Vishnu Khemani:

A pioneering entrepreneur, compassionate philanthropist and environmental steward.

### His Mission Statement:

To blend industrial growth with social responsibility, creating meaningful impact for people, communities and the planet.

Born on 16 March 1952 in Tinsukia, Assam and with family roots in Mandawa, Rajasthan, Vishnu Khemani is the Managing Director of Century Plyboards (India) Ltd., one of India's most trusted names in the wood products industry, owning leading brands such as SharonPly and Century Ply. With a B.Sc. in Physics and more than 45 years of experience, he has been instrumental in reshaping the plywood sector with innovation and foresight. His journey, from early education in Assam to building a national brand from Chennai, is a testament to entrepreneurial grit and vision. Beyond business, he has committed himself to social welfare and environmental stewardship, ensuring that success is always accompanied by service to society.



### Industry Leader with a Social Heart

Khemani's leadership is defined as much by social commitment as it is by business success. In memory of his father, Shri Madanlal Khemani, he established a school in Gumudipoondi for 3,000 children, later donating it to the Vivekananda Educational Society. In honour of his mother, Smt Gomti Devi Khemani, he became the chief donor of the Kola Saraswathi Agarwal Samaj Health Centre in Purasawalkam. His philanthropy extends to building temples, community kitchens feeding hundreds daily and donating an entire educational block to Dayasadan Agarwal Vidyalaya, Nerkundram.

Through these efforts, Khemani has consistently uplifted communities and invested in education, healthcare and spiritual well-being. He believes that giving back is not an obligation but a privilege—an ethos that defines his legacy as both an industrialist and a humanitarian.

### Champion of Green Initiatives

Khemani has pioneered environmental projects that inspire change. His #ISayNoToPlastic campaign, launched in 2018, championed eco-conscious alternatives well before any official mandates, while his #QuenchTheThirst mission provided thousands

of water bowls for birds and animals across urban and rural areas. Through #GrowTheGreen, he has enabled the plantation of over 100,000 saplings, contributing to urban afforestation and greener cities.

His contributions also extend to public infrastructure, including the installation of a state-of-the-art RO drinking water plant at Vandalur Zoo, India's largest zoological park. Notably, he has initiated agroforestry in Mandawa, Rajasthan—his native place—signing an MoU with Tamil Nadu Agricultural University to promote sustainable plantation in arid regions, laying the groundwork for a green revolution in Rajasthan. With campaigns like #IamStrongest, he also recognises unsung heroes serving society, reinforcing his belief that true leadership inspires others to act.

### The Khemani Dossier

- **Industrialist:** Managing Director, Century Plyboards (India) Ltd.
- **Community Builder:** Established schools, health centres and social institutions in Chennai
- **Environmental Pioneer:** Initiated #ISayNoToPlastic, #QuenchTheThirst, #GrowTheGreen campaigns
- **Heritage Roots:** Driving agroforestry initiatives in Mandawa, Rajasthan

### The Achievements Brief

- 2003: Udyog Patra Award for being a self-made entrepreneur
- 2019: Trailblazer Award by The Times of India for contribution to the plywood industry

# YUVRAGI RATHORE

## Voice of Heritage and Wellness

### Who is Yuvragi Rathore:

A storyteller, TEDx speaker, health coach and cultural influencer committed to reviving Rajasthani heritage.

### Her Mission Statement:

To preserve traditions, promote conscious living and empower communities by weaving wellness with cultural wisdom.

From the desert city of Jodhpur to the dynamic hub of Gurugram, Yuvragi Rathore's journey embodies resilience, curiosity and authenticity. An engineer by education, an HR professional by training and now a content creator and ethnographer by choice, she navigates worlds with ease. Through her platforms The Wise Stories and The Wise Pantry, she has built a digital community of over 410,000 followers who connect deeply with her blend of heritage, health and human connection. As a two-time TEDx speaker, she advocates for conscious living, cultural pride and rooted wellness, inspiring people to celebrate their identity while embracing the future.



### Architect of Storytelling & Wellness

Yuvragi's professional arc is as diverse as it is impactful. With corporate experience at Hewlett Packard, Coca-Cola India and Orgzit, she honed her expertise in engineering, HR and project management before finding her calling in wellness and culture. Certified as a Health Coach from the Institute of Integrative Nutrition, New York, she integrates global wellness practices with India's ancestral knowledge, offering practical guidance through *The Wise Pantry*.

Meanwhile, *The Wise Stories* has become a cultural movement, reviving the Rajasthani language and celebrating folk wisdom through authentic storytelling. As a brand ambassador for Nat Habit and collaborator with multiple wellness and lifestyle companies, Yuvragi extends her influence while staying rooted in authenticity. Her unique ability to weave narratives that are both personal and universal

makes her one of Rajasthan's most engaging cultural voices today.

### Cultural Influencer & Social Voice

A proud Rajasthani, Yuvragi uses her platforms to promote not only wellness but also linguistic and cultural pride. She actively helps younger generations reclaim confidence in speaking their mother tongue. Her contributions span cultural revival, wellness advocacy and social awareness campaigns that highlight heritage while resonating with contemporary lifestyles.

She was feliciated by the Chief Minister of Rajasthan with the *Samaj Ratan Award* for her impactful work in social awareness. Her other accolades include being recognised as *Best Summer Intern* at Coca-Cola India. She continues to inspire by showing that storytelling can transcend entertainment, becoming a vehicle for awareness, connection and pride in one's roots.



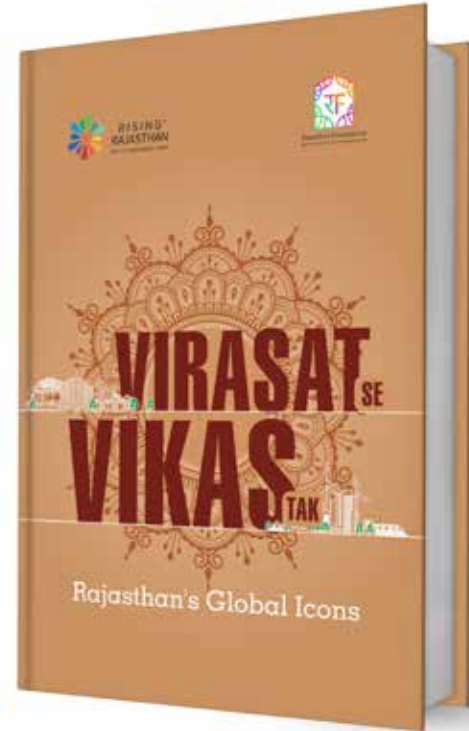
### The Rathore Dossier

- **Content Creator & Ethnographer:** Founder of *The Wise Stories* and *The Wise Pantry* with a community of 410k+
- **Global Learner:** B.E. in Electronics & Communication, M.A. in HR from TISS Mumbai, Certified Health Coach from IIN New York
- **TEDx Speaker:** Twice featured on TEDx platforms for her work on storytelling, culture and conscious living
- **Cultural Advocate:** Dedicated to reviving the Rajasthani language and folk traditions
- **Professional Experience:** Corporate roles at Hewlett Packard, Coca-Cola India, Orgzit and Dera Mandawa Hotel

### The Achievements Brief

- Honoured with the *Samaj Ratan Award* by the Chief Minister of Rajasthan
- Recognised as *Best Summer Intern* at Coca-Cola India with a pre-placement offer
- Built and nurtured a digital community of 410k+ across platforms
- Collaborated with leading wellness and lifestyle brands
- Two-time TEDx speaker, inspiring audiences through stories of culture, resilience and wellness

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