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Mr. Vikrampati Singhania

President, ACMA

Vice Chairman & Managing Director, J.K. Fenner (India)

Managing Director, JK Agri Genetics

Mr. Singhania is a fourth-generation industrialist belonging to one of the largest industrial groups in India – J.K. Organisation. J.K. Organisation is an over 141 years old business house with leadership across multiple sectors. The Group is present in more than 100 countries apart from all India presence with annual sales revenue of approx. US\$ 6 billion. The Group manufactures and markets a wide range of products from Paper, Automobile Tyres, Cement, Auto Components, Textiles, Agri Products, etc. The Group also has a tyre business in Mexico City by the name of JK Tornel S.A. de C.V. and employs 1600 people. The Group also is exploring setting up another manufacturing operation in Mexico for its auto component business.

Mr. Singhania did his Master's Degree in Commerce from Kanpur University and his MBA from Fuqua School of Business, Duke University, USA.

Positions held

Mr. Singhania is a Director of J.K. Organisation, Vice Chairman & Managing Director of J.K. Fenner (India) Ltd, one of the leading automotive & industrial components manufacturing company in the country. He is also Managing Director of JK Agri Genetics Ltd, which produces and markets hybrid seeds. He was the Dy. Managing Director of JK Tyre & Industries Ltd. (one of the largest Tyre manufacturers in India) till January 2016.

He has been involved in managing various industries including Hybrid Seeds, Automotive Tyres, Industrial V-Belts & Oil Seals, Pharmaceuticals, Sugar, Insurance, Power, Clinical Research, etc. He is also responsible for starting CliniRx Research Private Ltd., a full-service Clinical Research Organisation of the Group.

Mr. Singhania is an avid sportsman and in his younger days he has competitively played cricket, squash, soccer etc. He has played for Cricket Sporting Union and has been captain of a number of the school teams. He is involved in the Motors Sports activities of the Organisation. Mr. Singhania is also an avid Golfer and plays regularly and currently is a member of Delhi Golf Club as well as DLF Golf Club in Delhi. Mr. Singhania is also a member of Kolkata Racket Club as well as Chelmsford club in Delhi amongst others.

Association with Professional Bodies

- Member of Fuqua Indian Advisory Board of Duke University, USA
- Member of Managing Committee, The Associated Chambers of Commerce & Industry of India (ASSOCHAM).
- President of Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA)



Mr. Shailesh Chandra

President, SIAM
Managing Director
Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles & Tata Motors Passenger Electric Mobility

Shailesh Chandra is the Managing Director & CEO of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Limited. In addition, he currently serves as the President of the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) steering the Indian auto industry toward green & sustainable mobility, global competitiveness and excellence, reinforcing his role as a visionary leader in shaping the future of mobility.

A distinguished alumnus of IIT (BHU) Varanasi, Shailesh holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering and an Executive MBA from SP Jain Institute of Management and Research. He is also a Fulbright-Nehru Master's Fellow from Carnegie Mellon University – Tepper School of Business.

Shailesh began his career with Tata Motors in 1995 as a production manager and steadily rose through the ranks, holding pivotal roles across several functions. Between 2013 and 2016, he served in the Group Strategy Office at Tata Sons, shaping group-level strategy and driving cross-functional initiatives.

In 2016, he rejoined Tata Motors to lead Corporate Strategy and Business Transformation with a sharp focus on future readiness and operational excellence. In 2018, he was entrusted with the responsibility of President, Electric Mobility Business & Corporate Strategy. In 2020, Shailesh was entrusted with the leadership of the Passenger Vehicle Business, and by January 2022, he assumed the role of Managing Director of both Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility. In October 2025, Shailesh was formally appointed as Managing Director & CEO of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Limited, the newly listed entity post-demergence of Tata Motors Ltd and continues to serve as the Managing Director for Tata Passenger Electric Mobility.

Shailesh's leadership approach, anchored in continuous learning, empowerment, and purpose-driven strategy, has inspired a culture of resilience and innovation across the organization. His tenure has been marked by a remarkable turnaround with the passenger vehicle business growing fourfold since FY20 and reclaiming its position as India's third-largest manufacturer in the segment after a decade. Under his visionary stewardship, Tata Motors has emerged as the undisputed pioneer and market leader in India's rapidly evolving electric vehicle landscape.

His exemplary leadership and transformative impact on the Indian automotive industry have earned him widespread acclaim. He was named 'Man of the Year 2020' by Autocar Professional and honored as 'Automobile CEO of the Year' by TopGear, Business Leader of the Year' by CarandBike and 'Automotive Personality of the Year' by FASTER in 2022. He was also selected as one of the top five finalists for the prestigious 'World Car Person of the Year 2022' award.

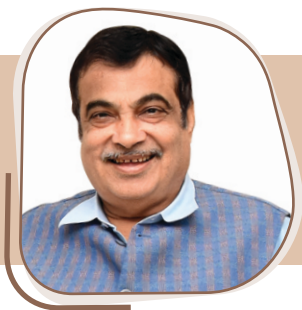
**Mr. R. Mukundan**

President, CII
Managing Director & CEO
Tata Chemicals

Mr Mukundan, Managing Director & CEO of Tata Chemicals Limited, joined the Tata Administrative Service in 1990, after completing his MBA from FMS, Delhi University.

He is a distinguished alumnus of IIT, Roorkee, a Fellow of the Indian Chemical Society and an alumnus of Harvard Business School. He was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Business Administration by XIM University, Bhubaneswar.

With over 30 years of experience at the Tata Group, Mr Mukundan has held various responsibilities across the Chemical, Automotive and Hospitality sectors of the Tata Group. He serves several industry forums and impact organisations. He is currently the President of CII for FY 2026-27.



Shri Nitin Gadkari

Hon'ble Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways
Government of India

Shri Nitin Gadkari is the Minister for Road Transport and Highways (RT&H), Government of India. He was born on 27th May 1957 in a middle-class family with roots in agriculture in Maharashtra's Orange-city Nagpur. He got involved very closely with the Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh (RSS) and the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) and took to social work in a big way.

He completed his Post-Graduation in Commerce, besides studying Law and obtaining a Diploma in Business Management. He has been honored with Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) by the Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth (MPKV), Rahuri, Ahmednagar in 2021 and Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidhyapeeth (PDKV), Akola, Maharashtra in 2022 for his outstanding contributions to the field of agriculture and research for ensuring the financial security of farmers. In 2022, he received Doctor of Literature (D.Litt.) from the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad for significant contributions in road and infrastructure development in the country.

He formally entered politics in 1980. Principally, he believes that Politics is an instrument to bring socio-economic reforms in society. He went on to become BJP's State President in Maharashtra in 2005. He was elevated to the post of party's National President at the young age of 52 in 2009. He served as PWD Minister in Maharashtra Government during 1995-99, and was leader of the Opposition in the State Legislative Council for four consecutive terms.

He is committed to promoting the use of alternative fuels, which are import-substitutes, cost effective, indigenous and pollution-free. Under He's guidance, the city of Nagpur was the first city to explore alternative bio-fuels for transport, including Bio-CNG, Bio-Ethanol and LNG. He is also introducing Flex-Fuel engines to be run on 100% Ethanol. He also launched the first ever tractor in India, which is run on bio-CNG, thus providing additional income to farmers. He also emphasizes on adoption of Green Hydrogen as a clean and indigenous source of energy, across various industries and mobility sector. Recently, he has launched a car in Delhi, on pilot basis, which runs completely on Hydrogen.

Under his supervision, over 70,000 kms of National Highways have been constructed in the last 10 years and 30,000 kms of new roads are being constructed currently. Twenty-Seven world class access-controlled Greenfield expressway projects being led by He under Bharatmala Pariyojana Phase-1, are presently in various stages of construction. They are of around 9000 kms in length and have a capital cost of Rs 4 Lakh Crores. He is a proponent of remote connectivity. Most of these Green Field alignments are passing through remote and tribal areas. These Greenfield Highways will promote socio-economic development of remote and tribal areas. He is the man



behind marvelous engineering showcases like Bandra-Worli Sea Link, 55 flyovers in Mumbai, India's First Mumbai-Pune Expressway, 14-lane Delhi-Meerut Expressway, Nagpur's Multi-Layer Metro-Rail cum Flyover system and the upcoming high-tech Delhi-Mumbai expressway. The Delhi-Mumbai distance will be covered in just 12 hours. This will change the entire dynamics of passenger and freight movement on this busiest corridor of India.

35 Multi-Modal Logistics Parks, 600 Way Side Amenities, 105 Tunnels, 28 Emergency Landing Strips are currently being developed under His tenure. His Ministry has also received around 285 proposals from State Governments to develop Ropeways. He has also initiated a Funicular Rail project in Ladakh which will help swift movement of people and goods (including 2-wheelers & domestic animals).

Among his other endeavors, unprecedented progress is evident in port industrialization, national water highway traffic, jetties for coastal tourism, Ganga-Yamuna cleaning, fund raising, asset monetization projects, etc.

He introduced the first ever Motor Vehicle Scraping Policy in the fight against Pollution and Road & Vehicle safety. The New FASTAG policy introduced by Mr Gadkari, is helping commuters to save fuel and time on Toll Plazas. Some of his major works include, unprecedented push for R&D in electric vehicles for developing alternative battery chemistries, such as Sodium and Aluminum batteries and Hydrogen fuel cells. With his waste to wealth policy, He is promoting use of new, advanced and recycled waste materials in road construction works. For fast and economical construction, he has mandated large scale use of pre-fabricated pre-cast concrete elements in the highways projects. He is encouraging tree plantation along the highways, installation of solar panels, rain water harvesting and artificial ground water recharge systems. He is committed towards the development of qualitative, time-bound, cost effective and sustainable world-class infrastructures in the country.

During his tenure as the Union Minister for Water Resources and Ganga Rejuvenation, the monumental "Namami Gange" project became a mass movement involving central and state government agencies, private sector and foreign investors, NGOs, spiritual and social organizations as well as the common people. With his political stature he resolved Inter-State disputes on Water sharing and River Linking, involving 16 rivers in 11 States in a short span of six months. The first Inland Waterway was developed during his tenure, and goods movement was commenced between Varanasi and Kolkata, adding a new dimension to the logistical history of inland water ways in the country. As a part of Amrit Sarovar Mission, he initiated to develop 40 farm ponds in Akola district in association with PDKV. This would help to create additional water storage in the region. Under his leadership, MoRTH has issued the guidelines for use of excavated material from water bodies in Highway construction.



Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy

Hon'ble Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel
Government of India

Shri H.D. Kumaraswamy, Hon'ble Union Minister for Steel and Heavy Industries, is a senior political leader with over 25 years of experience in public service. Born on 16th December 1959 in Haradanahalli, Hassan District, Karnataka, he currently represents Mandya Constituency as Member of Parliament in Lok Sabha.

A seasoned political figure, Shri Kumaraswamy began his public service career in 1996 when he was elected to the 11th Lok Sabha from Kanakapura. Over the years, he has held several high-ranking positions, including serving twice as the Chief Minister of Karnataka (2006–2007 and 2018–2019), as well as Leader of the Opposition in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly. He has served multiple terms as both a Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) and Member of Parliament (MP). He is widely respected for his principled leadership and deep grassroots connect. A progressive agriculturist committed to the welfare of rural communities, he carries forward the legacy of his father, former Prime Minister of India, Shri H.D. Deve Gowda, with a strong focus on social justice, inclusive development, and regional empowerment.

In 2024, he assumed charge as the Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel, Government of India, in the Cabinet of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji. Shri Kumaraswamy has brought renewed energy and strategic focus to India's steel and heavy industries sector. He is spearheading the revitalization and modernization of India's steel, capital goods, industries ecosystem-aligning with the national vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India), enhanced industrial competitiveness, and sustainable economic growth.

He has led the revival efforts of Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL), ensuring operational continuity and safeguarding jobs. He also oversaw the launch of the Green Steel Taxonomy, laying the foundation for low-carbon, sustainable steel production aligned with international standards. His tenure has witnessed the acceleration of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel, which is boosting domestic manufacturing, attracting investments, and reducing import dependence. He has actively promoted decarbonization, technology adoption, and circular economy practices in the sector. Through these initiatives, Shri Kumaraswamy is playing a key role in transforming India's steel and manufacturing ecosystem into a globally competitive, future-ready, and self-reliant engine of growth for Viksit Bharat @ 2047.

Minister Kumaraswamy's leadership reflects a blend of regional wisdom and national vision. He is deeply engaged in building global partnerships, attracting strategic investments, and positioning India as a leading manufacturing hub—particularly in the core sectors of steel and heavy industry.



Shri Piyush Goyal

Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce & Industry
Government of India

Currently the longest serving Commerce and Industry Minister of India, Piyush Goyal has in the past served as the Leader of the House in Rajya Sabha and helmed the Ministry of Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution, Textiles, Railways, Finance, Corporate Affairs, Coal, Power, New & Renewable Energy, and Mines. After serving as a Rajya Sabha member for 14 years (since 2010), he won the Lok Sabha election from North Mumbai constituency in 2024, with the highest vote margin in the State of Maharashtra.

Key Achievements

- Highest-ever exports of \$825 Bn in FY 2024-25
- Signed Economic Cooperation & Trade Agreement with Australia – India's 1st agreement with a developed nation after a decade
- Conclusion of India-UK FTA, with unprecedented Double Contribution Convention in May 2025
- First-ever legally-binding investment commitment of \$100 Bn in 15 years, creating 1 Mn jobs, as part of Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement signed with European Free Trade Association countries
- India-UAE FTA signed – fastest ever conclusion of negotiations globally for any two countries
- Oversaw the successful implementation of Production Linked Incentive Schemes to boost Make In India
- Implemented world's largest food security program, PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana by distributing free foodgrains to ~ 80 Cr people over a 2-year period
- Achieved the best-ever safety record of zero passenger deaths in rail accidents as Railways Minister
- Successfully implemented the world's largest LED bulb distribution program (UJALA) as Power Minister
- Awarded with the prestigious Carnot Prize in 2018 by Kleinman Center for Energy Policy (University of Pennsylvania) for making energy efficiency a people's movement



Ambassador Sergio Gor

Ambassador of the United States of America
to the Republic of India
Government of USA

Ambassador Sergio Gor currently serves as U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of India. Additionally, President Donald J. Trump appointed Ambassador Gor as the Special Envoy to South and Central Asia. Previously, Ambassador Gor was Assistant to the President and Director of Presidential Personnel in the White House. Under his leadership as Director, thousands of political appointees across the entire federal government were hired in record time.

Prior to joining the White House, Ambassador Gor, along with Donald Trump Jr., founded Winning Team Publishing – one of the nation's premier conservative publishing houses. Winning Team most notably published President Donald J. Trump's best-selling books.

A graduate of the George Washington University, Ambassador Gor has worked extensively in national politics including in the U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Senate, and on numerous Presidential campaigns. As a Deputy Chief of Staff in the U.S. Senate, Ambassador Gor has years of experience in communications and legislative affairs.

Mr. Gor is fluent in multiple languages and is an avid traveler, having visited over 85 countries.



Mr. Harjinder Kang

His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for South Asia &
British Deputy High Commissioner for Western India
Government of UK

Harjinder Kang is His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for South Asia and the British Deputy High Commissioner for Western India. He was appointed May 2023.

Prior to his appointment, Harjinder was the UK's Chief Negotiator for the UK-India Free Trade Agreement (FTA). In parallel, he served as the Director for Trade Policy in the areas of Intellectual Property, Government Procurement and Core Text. He has previously served in the Department for International Trade as Director for Healthcare, Life Sciences, and Bioeconomy.

Before joining government, Harjinder had a career spanning nearly 30 years with AstraZeneca, one of the world's leading pharmaceutical companies, joining as a Chemist and spending his early career in R&D helping to develop radiopharmaceuticals and new antibiotics. He ultimately served as the company's Global Commercial Director, working to create and implement strategy for access to medicines for the 'next billion' people through creating affordable solutions for pharmaceuticals in some of the less developed parts of the world.

He is a member of the Council of the University of Birmingham.

HM Trade Commissioner for South Asia The HM Trade Commissioner (HMTc) for South Asia oversees all Department for International Trade (DIT) work in Bangladesh, India, the Maldives, Nepal, and Sri Lanka:

- Growing bilateral trade and investment relationships;
- Improving market access for British companies, including small- and medium-sized businesses (SMEs); and
- Developing finance and trade policy.

The HMTc also works closely with High Commissioners, Ambassadors, the wider diplomatic network and colleagues across the UK to support the prosperity agenda.

British Deputy High Commissioner for Western India The Deputy High Commissioner leads a subordinate office to the High Commission in another major city and fulfills a similar role to a Consul General, representing the UK government and typically responsible for consular, visa and trade activities in their city or region.

The Deputy High Commissioner for Western India represents all aspects of the UK Government's interests in the states of Goa, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh.



Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi

Managing Director & CEO
Maruti Suzuki India

Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi joined Suzuki Motor Corporation (SMC), Japan, in 1986 and has built a distinguished global career spanning nearly four decades. During this period, he held several leadership positions, including serving as Managing Director of Magyar Suzuki Corporation, Hungary.

In April 2022, Mr. Takeuchi assumed the role of Managing Director & CEO of Maruti Suzuki India Limited amid COVID-19-related disruptions and global supply chain challenges. Through visionary leadership, sound judgment, and a strong focus on customers and business continuity, he guided the Company through uncertainty while sustaining its growth momentum.

Under his leadership, Maruti Suzuki has recorded annual sales of over 2 million vehicles for three consecutive years and is progressing towards its next milestone of 3 million annual sales ahead of expectations.

Mr. Takeuchi, a strong advocate of 'Make in India, Make for the World', has inspired Maruti Suzuki and its vendor partners to pursue global standards of quality and competitiveness. His emphasis on trust, shared purpose, and continuous learning has further strengthened the automotive manufacturing ecosystem. Further, it has helped Maruti Suzuki emerge as India's leading passenger vehicle exporter, presently accounting for over 55% of the country's passenger vehicle exports, and making Maruti Suzuki the global production hub for Suzuki's first Battery Electric Vehicle, the e VITARA.

With a future-focused outlook, Mr. Takeuchi has guided the Company to expand its SUV portfolio, increase manufacturing capacity to 2.9 million units and lay a strong foundation for sustainable growth across the value chain. He is also guiding the Company's multi-powertrain strategy to provide customers with a wide range of mobility choices suited to diverse needs and usage patterns thus supporting Government of India's ambition to achieve net zero target.

Committed to providing 'Joy of Mobility' to as many people as possible, Mr. Takeuchi continues to foster strong partnerships and create shared value for customers, business partners, and society at large.



Mr. Tarun Garg

Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer
Hyundai Motor India

Mr. Tarun Garg, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL), is the first Indian to lead the company since its inception in 1996.

With more than three decades of distinguished experience in the automotive sector, Mr. Garg possesses profound expertise in managing complex market dynamics.

Mr. Garg's visionary leadership and strategic acumen have guided Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL) towards sustainable, long-term growth, further strengthening its stature as one of the leading automotive brands in the industry. His steadfast commitment to innovation, customer-centric excellence and profitability has driven HMIL's rise in the rapidly expanding SUV segment, while reinforcing its identity as a proud homegrown brand serving India with trust, pride and passion.

Under his stewardship, Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL) achieved its highest-ever sales for three consecutive years, delivered record profits and achieved industry-leading EBITDA margins. He also played a pivotal role as the Chief Orchestrator of HMIL's landmark Initial Public Offering (IPO), which marked the largest public offering in the history of the Indian equity markets.

Mr. Garg is widely recognized for his humility and purpose-driven leadership, rooted in a deep commitment to enhance lives of the communities beyond business. His inclusive vision, embodying Hyundai Motor Group's global philosophy of Progress for Humanity, inspired the launch of Samarth by Hyundai, a pioneering initiative that fosters awareness and accessibility for persons with disabilities in India.

Further, Mr. Garg is a firm believer of People First leadership, underscoring empathy, collaboration and empowerment as the cornerstones of organizational success. He has cultivated a culture where individuals at every level feel valued, respected and motivated to contribute their best. He invests meaningful time in improving employee well-being and capability development. Under his leadership, HMIL continues to foster innovation and a shared sense of purpose. This philosophy has earned HMIL the prestigious Top Employer Award for last three consecutive years, ranking first in the automotive sector and fourth across all industries in India in 2026.

Mr. Garg has earned several top industry honors for his leadership and long-term contribution to India's automotive sector like ACKO Drive's "Person of the Year" 2026, Jagran HiTech's "Auto Personality of the Year" and Business Leader - Automotive Sector" at the NDTV Auto Awards in 2025



In his current role as MD and CEO, Mr. Garg is leading HMIL's next phase of growth in India, driven by future-ready mobility, customer-centric innovation and the vision of "Make in India, Made for the World." Under his leadership, the company has charted an ambitious roadmap that includes expanding local production capacity to more than 1.1 million units with the commissioning of New Plant in Pune and introducing host of new products. He is also steering a 450 billion investment plan and preparing for debut of the Genesis luxury brand in India.

Prior to bringing his expertise to HMIL, Mr. Garg had an illustrious career with Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL) where he began as a Management Trainee and rose through the ranks handling key functions across Sales, Strategy, Product, Marketing, Channel, Logistics, Parts & Accessories.

Academically, Mr. Garg is a Mechanical Engineer from the reputed Delhi Technological University (formerly Delhi College of Engineering) and holds an MBA from the premier management institute IIM Lucknow.



Mr. Ganesh Mani

Chief Executive Officer - Switch Mobility
President & Chief Operating Officer - Ashok Leyland

Mr. Ganesh Mani serves as the **CEO of Switch Mobility**, the electric mobility enterprise of the Hinduja Group focused on eBuses and eLCVs. Under his leadership, Switch Mobility has strengthened its position as a **market leader in the eBus segment**, expanded its global footprint, and accelerated commercialization of zero-emission platforms across key international markets.

In parallel, he is the **President and COO of Ashok Leyland**, where he leads Manufacturing, Sourcing, and the Integrated Supply Chain. His mandate centers on driving operational excellence, technology adoption, digital transformation, and long-horizon capability building across the company's global operations.

He holds an **MBA** from MDI Gurgaon, where he graduated as a **double Gold Medalist**. He further enhanced his executive expertise through PGP-Max at the Indian School of Business (ISB), earning the **Dean's List distinction**.

Mr. Mani also **chairs board of six Ashok Leyland subsidiaries**, spanning domestic and international businesses.

His leadership extends across the mobility ecosystem through multiple industry roles:

- **Chairman**, CII Electric Vehicle Task Force 2025–26
- **Co-Chairman**, FICCI Committee on Green Mobility 2025–26
- **Chairman**, Technical Committee of GARC
- **Co-Chairman**, CII Task Force on Inclusive Growth, ESG Outcomes & Community Resilience
- **Co-Chairman**, CII Global Partnerships and International Linkages

Through these platforms, he actively contributes to policy development, global collaboration, regulatory frameworks, and technical standards that shape the future of mobility.



Mr. Deepak Shetty

CEO and Managing Director
JCB India

Deepak Shetty is the CEO and Managing Director of JCB India, South & South-East Asia and East & South Africa. He is a member of the JCB Group Executive and is based at the company's India Headquarters in Delhi-NCR.

He joined JCB India's Pune operations in 2010 and later went on to become the Managing Director of JCB's Global Excavator business in the UK for four years. Before joining JCB, he worked for Larsen and Toubro Limited for about 17 years in different roles and responsibilities in India, and later in the USA where he lived for about five years.

Committed to shaping the industry's future direction, Deepak Shetty holds various leadership roles; he is the President of the Indian Construction Equipment Manufacturers' Association (ICEMA), Co-Chair of CII (Confederation of Indian Industry) Institute of Quality, an Elected member of CII National Council, Member of CII Task Force on Green Hydrogen. He is also immediate past Chair of the CII Manufacturing Excellence Council and a member of the CII UK India CEO Forum.

A Mechanical Engineering graduate from Birla College of Engineering, Deepak Shetty is an alumnus of SPJIMR, Mumbai and the Manchester Business School, UK. In 2021, he received the SPJIMR Distinguished Alumni Award.

Based in Gurugram (Delhi NCR), Deepak Shetty lives with his family, comprising his wife and two children, and enjoys travel, fitness, arts, and culture in his personal time.



Mr. Sanjeev Jain

Director - Purchase
Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India

Mr. Sanjeev Jain is an accomplished professional, who is a distinguished member of board, was appointed as **Director, at Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India (HMSI)** in April 2023 and currently holds the esteemed position of Head of Purchase.

His journey is marked by outstanding academic achievements and a distinguished career in Automotive Industry.

Graduating with a degree in Production Engineering from the University of Pune in 1991, Mr. Jain's dedication and excellence in academics earned him the prestigious distinction of being a Gold-medalist.

Mr. Jain has a total of **34 years work experience** in Automobile & 2 Wheeler Product Development & Purchasing area.

His career began at Hero Moto Corp earlier **Hero Honda**, where he joined as an Engineer in the Product Development division. During this time, he showcased remarkable skills in the development of various components, ranging from Sheet metal and Casting to Plastics and other Proprietary parts. His contribution and expertise were instrumental in localization of many components of India's highest selling motorcycle, Splendor, demonstrating his expertise in Supply chain management.

In 1996, Mr. Jain took a pivotal role at **Daewoo Motors** in Noida, where he served as Team Leader in Materials. There, he played a crucial role in localization of many parts in their various Models Ceilo & MATIZ, the most lovable car of that time, further solidifying his reputation as a key figure in the automotive industry's supply chain and localization strategies. His contributions also extended to supervising and establishing numerous Joint ventures and technical collaborations.

In 2001, Mr. Sanjeev Jain joined HMSI as Assistant Manager in the Purchase Operation, a decision that would shape his remarkable career trajectory. He has been **associated with HMSI for more than 24 years** since its inception. Over the years, he proved instrumental in establishing a robust supplier structure for HMSI, contributing significantly to the company's procurement strategies and supply chain management. His versatile skill set extended to formulating and implementing various business strategies during his career.



With his vast experience in Purchasing, Mr. Jain has been a member of several committees. Notable among them are Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). He is also an esteemed jury member for ACMA awards.

Mr. Sanjeev Jain was recognized by the Institute of Supply Chain management (ISCM) as Regional Procurement Icon of the Year 2026. He was **recognized for his visionary procurement leadership**, transforming sourcing into a **strategic value engine** through deep analytical insight, a resilient supplier ecosystem, disciplined governance, and sustained enterprise-wide impact.

Today, as the Director and Purchase Head at HMSI, Mr. Sanjeev Jain's wealth of experience, academic excellence, and tireless dedication continues to drive the success of HMSI. His leadership and expertise are instrumental in securing cost-competitive & globally high-Quality supply chain and at the same time implementing various strategies for HMSI as company.

**Mr. Akash Passey**

President
ZF Group - India

Akash Passey is the President of ZF Group India and the Managing Director of ZF India Pvt. Ltd. With over 30 years of leadership experience in the global mobility industry, he drives ZF's growth across India's diverse mobility and industrial sectors. Prior to ZF, he was a member of Volvo Bus Corporation's Executive Management Team, leading business across Asia Pacific, Africa, the Middle East, China, and India, based out of Europe. A strong advocate for innovation, sustainable mobility, and future-ready transportation solutions, Akash brings his international experience and global industry insights to trade forums such as ACMA, SIAM, and other industry bodies. Through active engagement and collaboration, he contributes to shaping policy dialogue, strengthening India's automotive component ecosystem, and advancing the industry's readiness for the future of mobility.



Mrs. Anjali Singh

Executive Chairperson
ANAND Group

Mrs. Singh is the **Executive Chairperson of the ANAND Group**, a US\$2.2+ billion conglomerate comprising 23 companies, including 15 joint ventures, with over 23,000 people across India.

She is also the **Executive Chairperson of Gabriel India Limited**, the Group's listed flagship company with a legacy of over six decades.

Mrs. Singh actively contributes to industry bodies, serving on the Executive Committee of **ACMA (Automotive Component Manufacturers Association)** and as Chair of its Western Region. Within **CII (Confederation of Indian Industry)**, she is a member of the National Council and chairs the **Circular Economy Council**. She has previously served as Chairperson of the Northern Regional Council (2025–26) and the CII Haryana State Council (2023-24).

**Mr. Natarajan Sankar**

Senior Partner & Managing Director
Boston Consulting Group

Natarajan Sankar is a Managing Director & Senior Partner at Boston Consulting Group and leads BCG's industrial goods practice for India. He also leads the Chennai office in India. He has worked extensively in the automotive industry, including with commercial vehicles, passenger vehicles, two-wheelers, and off-highway vehicles.

He has substantial expertise in the domain of electric vehicles (EVs) across vehicle categories, batteries, charging, and financing. In terms of functional expertise, Natarajan has experience working with clients on marketing, sales, and pricing; strategy; engineering; large-scale transformation; and organization restructuring.

With over 17 years of experience and more than 150 client engagements, he is a trusted advisor on EV ecosystem development, battery value chains, and the broader mobility transition, and has advised organizations such as SIAM and NITI Aayog on national EV and supply chain localization policy. In recognition of his contributions, Natarajan was named to the WEF Young Global Leaders Class of 2025 and honored in the Economic Times 40 Under Forty list.

**Mr. Saurabh Chhajer**

Partner & Managing Director
Boston Consulting Group

Saurabh Chhajer is a Managing Director & Partner at Boston Consulting Group and is a core member of BCG Industrial Goods practice with over 12 years of management consulting experience. He has worked across India, Australia, and the US, primarily in the automotive value chain.

Saurabh's primary focus is on growth: leading bold growth transformations spanning a mix of portfolio strategy, new business build, M&A, and sales acceleration.

Within automotive, Saurabh has led work spanning new venture builds, growth strategy, supply chain and cost transformations - delivering bottom-line impact, and building organization capabilities.

**Mr. Sriram Viji**

President Designate, ACMA
Managing Director - Brakes India &
Board Member of the TSF Group of Companies

Sriram Viji is the Managing Director at Brakes India and a board member of the TSF group of companies. With a legacy spanning over a century, the TSF group focuses on the automotive and financial services sectors.

Brakes India, established in 1962, is a leading manufacturer of automotive braking systems and ferrous castings in India. The company boasts over 10,000 dedicated employees across 15 plants, supplying systems and components to global OEMs. Brakes India's success is founded on technology leadership, operational excellence, and superior service.

Before joining Brakes India, Sriram spent a decade in the US, gaining diverse industry experience. He worked at McKinsey & Company in New York, serving clients in the banking, media, and pharmaceutical industries. Prior to that, he was a program manager at Microsoft Corporation.

Sriram holds an MBA from the University of Michigan, an M.S. in Computer Science and Aeronautics from Stanford University, and a B.Tech in Aerospace Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology Madras.

**Mr. Vinnie Mehta**

Director General
ACMA

Vinnie Mehta is the Director General of ACMA, the apex body representing the Indian auto component industry. With decades of experience spanning policy advocacy, technology management, and international cooperation, he plays a pivotal role in shaping the industry's roadmap for competitiveness, sustainability, and global integration.

Under his leadership, ACMA has deepened its engagement with global stakeholders, driven the agenda for localization, digital transformation, and supply chain resilience, and fostered alignment with emerging megatrends such as electrification and sustainability. A respected voice in industry circles, Vinnie regularly engages with government bodies, trade partners, and multilateral forums to promote India's auto component sector.

He holds degrees in engineering and management, and brings to the role a rare blend of technical insight and strategic vision.



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