

Ramanan Ramanathan

Mission Director - Atal Innovation Mission: Government of India

Summary

R Ramanan is the Mission Director of the Atal Innovation Mission - a national Innovation initiative NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) set up by the Government of India

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) is a Government of India's flagship initiative to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship throughout the country. Its objective is to serve as a platform for promotion of world-class Atal Tinkering Labs, Incubators, Innovation Hubs that would provide an ecosystem of support to Start-up businesses and other self-employment activities, particularly in technology driven areas.

The Atal Innovation Mission shall have two core functions:

- 1) Entrepreneurship promotion through Self-Employment and Talent Utilization, wherein innovators would be supported and mentored to become successful entrepreneurs
- 2) Innovation promotion: to provide a platform where innovative ideas are generated through
 - Atal Tinkering Labs
 - Atal Incubation Centers
 - Scale-up support to Established Incubators

R Ramanan was previously Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board of Directors of CMC Ltd., a subsidiary of the globally acclaimed Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).

Ramanan's illustrious career in the IT industry spans more than three decades when he joined TCS in 1981 after graduating from IIT Mumbai in Electrical Engineering. Ramanan played an instrumental role in the growth of TCS with a variety of responsibilities ranging from software product development, technical marketing, global business development, and general management of large delivery centers of TCS.

Ramanan led CMC's rapid transformation from a domestic government organization to a global IT systems engineering and integration organization. Under his leadership CMC share price grew over 2100% between October 2001 to 2014, its operating profits over 1338%, with over 72% of its business coming from the overseas markets and leading to its successful amalgamation into TCS in 2015

Experience

- **Mission Director, Atal Innovation Mission** - June 2017 -Present
- **Board Of Directors Tata iQ** - April 2016 -Present
- **Member Advisory Board at New Zealand Trade and Enterprise** - September 2010 -Present
- **Sr. Vice President at Tata Consultancy Services** - July 1981 - Present
- **Managing Director & CEO at CMC LTD** - October 2001 -June 2016 (14 years 8 months)
- **Chairman, CMC Americas** - October 2001 -June 2016 (14 years 8 months)
- **Board Director at Tata Business Support Services** October 2011 -April 2014 (2 years 6 months)



Education

- **Harvard Business School** - Advanced Management Program, AMP 187 Management programme, 2014 – 2014.
- **University of Cambridge** - Sustainability Leadership
- **Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay** - B Tech, Electrical Engineering, 1976 - 1981 Activities and Societies: IEEE
- **Dr Antonio Da Silva High School, Mumbai** - SSC, 1966 - 1974

Honors and Awards

- **CEO of the Year - India's most "Value"able CEOs** - 2015, CMO Asia (Singapore)
- **India's most "Value"able CEOs by Businessworld** in 2011 and 2013 - the only CEO to be featured among the Top 9 most "Value"able CEOs twice for the same title.
- **Outstanding contribution in Innovations, Business Leader Award** in Information Technology Sector (2012)
- **Lifetime Chair of HBS AMP187 Alumni Reunion**
- **Udyog Rattan Award** in 2009 by Institute of Economic Studies
- **'Indira Gandhi Sadbhavna Award'** in 2006
- **Rajiv Gandhi Shiromani Award** in 2006 for Outstanding Individual Achievements & Distinguished Services by National Integration & Economic Council.