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SPEAKER PROFILE



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Delegate Registration

Dr. Ajay Kumar is a member of Indian Administrative Service (1985 batch). His date of birth is 2nd October, 1962.

As the Joint Secretary in the Department of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, Dr. Kumar is currently responsible for promotion of Electronic Hardware Industry, development of Human Resource for IT & Electronics, development of e-Infrastructure and e-Learning initiatives in the country.

In his previous posting, as the Principal Secretary for the Information Technology Department, Government of Kerala, his significant achievements included growth in IT investments in the State to three times national average during the period; up scaling e-governance initiatives within Government; and several niche projects including mobile computing, cloud computing and open source computing. Received over 20 international and national awards for various e-governance initiatives including Stockholm Challenge Award, National E-governance Awards, eIndia Awards, CSI-Nihilient Award, Manthan Award etc.

He has earlier served as:

- Secretary for Industries Department, Government of Kerala
- Managing Director, Kerala State Electronic Development Corporation Ltd. (KELTRON)
- Managing Director, Kerala State Agricultural and Rural Development Bank
- Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India
- Sub-Divisional Magistrate and District Magistrate, Tellicherry and Palghat, Government of Kerala
- Instructor, Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota, USA

Dr. Kumar has been a part of several international negotiation teams and working groups to discuss border trade, boundary disputes and other issues promoting mutual cooperation.

Dr. Kumar has several publications in national and international journals/conferences.

Dr. Kumar has also won many awards including citation by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

He has a PhD in Business Administration from the Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota, USA and M.S. in Applied Economics from the University of Minnesota, USA and a B.Tech. in Electrical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India.

Dr. Kumar is also Director General of National Informatics Centre (NIC). NIC is a Premier Information Technology Organisation in India providing State-of-Art Solutions for Information Management and Decision Support in Government and Corporate Sector. A number of Services are being provided by NIC to all the Government Ministries/Departments/States/Districts.