

Premjit Lal has rich experience of 30 years in the telecommunications/ICT, e-Governance, Urban Development and Housing sectors. Presently, he is working with Ministry of Communication, Department of Telecommunications (DOT) as Deputy Director General (International Relations). He handles all the multilateral, bilateral relations as well as coordinates activities with international organizations like ITU, APT, ITSO, CTO, IEEE etc. Prior to that, he was responsible for standardization activities in telecom and related ICT sector of National Standardization Organization (NSO) - Telecommunications Engineering Centre (TEC) under Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications.

He holds the Masters in International Development Policy (MIDP) from acclaimed Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University, USA. He honed his professional skills as Electronics & Telecom engineer from Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT), Bhopal and marketing skills in MBA program from Management Development Institute (MDI), Gurgaon.

He handles all the activities related to ITU for India as focal point. He also represents India as ITU Councillor. He is also a board member on the IEEE – Standards Association Standards Board (IEEE-SASB) under GEPS (Government Engagement Program on Standards) for formulating strategy and roadmap for various standardization activities. He has been Vice-Chairman of WG-3 (related to Standardization, Regulation and Policy issues) of APT-WTSA20 of Asia Pacific Tele-community (APT) for devising Resolution for WTSA-2020 for

Asia-pacific region. He also represents India in the steering Committee of Open Community for Ethics in Autonomous and Intelligent Systems (OCEANIS) – an autonomous organization for ethical standards in Artificial Intelligence (AI).

He has actively participated as Indian delegate in various standardization activities of International Telecom Union (ITU)'s Plenipotentiary Conference, Study Group (SG), Telecom Standards Advisory Group (TSAG), Focus Group etc. He represented India in ITU's Plenipotentiary Conference, 2022 at Bucharest, Romania. He is active member of different National Working Group (NWG) constituted in India coterminous to ITU's Study Group (SG) to finalize the Indian position/contribution on telecom/ICT standardization activities.

He has headed secretariat of Asia Pacific Ministerial conference on Housing & Urban Development (APMCHUD) – a regional body part of UN-Habitat from 2013-2015. He has also been associated with devising of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) of India as a member of the committee. He has also been part of sub-group in BRICS (Brazil-Russia-India-China-South Africa) Housing and Urban Planning committee.

He has worked in DoT and leading government telecom service provider - BSNL in the field of planning, design, installation, operation & maintenance of telecom and data networks. He was associated with flagship programme of Government of India (GoI)- 'Digital India' which envisages creation of empowered society and knowledge-based economy. He was instrumental in organising GCCS 2017 (Global Conference on Cyber Space), DigiDhan Mela (Digital Payments project), Rural Outreach of Digital India and organizing awareness workshops for Digital India in 120 Indian universities.

He has been associated with policy formulation for ambitious plan of providing 'Housing for All' by 2022 in India during 2012-15. He designed and implemented 'Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS)' for financial support for affordable housing. He has also been associated with formulation and enactment of "Real-Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA)" bill in India.