

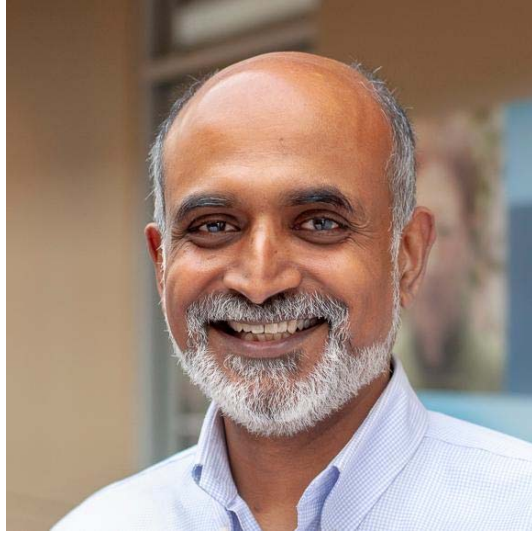
## Biography



Joel R. Reifman, Consul General

Prior to his assignment as U.S. Consul General in Hyderabad, India, Joel Reifman served as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Dhaka, Bangladesh. He has served at the State Department in Washington D.C. in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research and as Deputy Director of the Office of Aviation Negotiations in the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs. Mr. Reifman was also a Pearson Fellow in the Office of Senator Joseph Lieberman.

Mr. Reifman's prior overseas assignments include Senior Deputy Coordinating Director for Development and Economic Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, Charge d' Affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Asmara, Eritrea, Provincial Reconstruction Team Leader in Iraq's western Anbar province, and Economic Counselor at both the U.S. Embassy in Panama and the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad. Before joining the State Department, Mr. Reifman served as an Assistant Staff Judge Advocate in the U.S. Air Force. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in English literature from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctorate from Southern Methodist University.



Mani Prakash is the Vice President of Enterprise R&D for Medtronic. His responsibilities include Medtronic's strategy for Technology Development Centers and leadership for Medtronic Engineering & Innovation Center (MEIC) in Hyderabad, India.

Mani started as an engineer in Medtronic over 20 years ago and was most recently the head of Global Research and Development for the Minimally Invasive Therapies Group (MITG). With a 29-year career in medical devices, spanning academia, startups and large companies, Mani has nearly 100 U.S patents, multiple research publications, new technology introductions and product launches. Mani graduated from the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee with a bachelor's degree in Electronics & Communication Engineering and from the University of Washington, Seattle with a Ph.D. in Bioengineering. Mani is based in Boulder (CO, USA).

## Dr Sunil Kumar, DGHS

Dr Sunil Kumar is a distinguished alumnus of AIIMS, New Delhi.

Presently, He is the Director General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India from 13-08-2020,

- In his career spanning over three and half decades, he has held several key positions in the Govt. of NCT of Delhi as Director Professor & Medical Director [GTB Hospital and UCMS], Director [IHBAS), Director [RGSSH] and Regional Director [RDHS] (East).
- General Surgeon by training. He can perform all General surgery operations. **Areas of specialization:** Trauma Surgery, Laparoscopic Surgery, Thoracic (non-cardiac) surgery, Hepato-biliary-pancreatic surgery.
- International exposure (6 months in UK as WHO Fellow for Laparoscopic Surgery, One month in Australia again as WHO Fellow for Trauma Surgery).
- He has managed a number of medical/surgical emergencies of notable size viz. Dengue in 2015-16, Delhi Riots in February, 2020 and ongoing Covid -19 pandemic.
- Has guided a large number of PGs in surgery.
- Dengue had affected Delhi in a massive way while he took over as the Medical Superintendent in 2015-2016 of GTBH. The crisis was very well managed through exemplary leadership, system, structural and organisational changes. The most important step in that direction was creation of a team and clear assignment of responsibilities and close monitoring of the Dengue situation. Under his leadership, IHBAS achieved third spot in KAYAKALP program.
- At DGHS he has brought transparency & efficiency in the working at the Dte.GHS. He has also brought in number of reforms as DGHS over short period of time.
- He has published over 85 articles including updates/reviews and original research in national and international journals.
- He has been a strong proponent of the Programme-Academia interface in all activities.
- He is very cautious about health and participated: Delhi Airtel Half Marathon (ii) Mumbai Marathon (iii) Delhi Full marathon.

## PROFILE OF PRAKASH BODLA

Prakash Bodla is Managing Director, Carrier Technologies India Ltd., and also Vice President – Engineering of Carrier’s largest R&D center situated in Hyderabad (Hyderabad Research and Design Centre - HRDC), including the largest European R&D center. Prakash directly reports to the Chief Technology Officer of Carrier Corporation.

Carrier Corporation, a \$17.5B corporate, is a leading global provider of innovative heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC), refrigeration, fire, security and building automation technologies. Supported by the iconic Carrier name, the company is committed to making the world safer and more comfortable for generations to come through its industry-leading brands such as Carrier, Kidde, Edwards, LenelS2 and Automated Logic.



Prior to Carrier, Prakash held executive & leadership positions at General Electric and Sun Microsystems, USA. His work experience spans for over 20 years in the international arena, in various roles of R&D, Engineering, IT, Product Management & Site Operations. He completed his Masters in International Business & Marketing from Santa Clara University, USA and MS Computers from Iowa State University, USA.

Prakash is co-inventor in multiple US Patents. He plays an active role in The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) as GCC Regional Council Vice-Chair & Executive Committee Member and is Chair for American Chamber of Commerce in India (AMCHAM), Hyderabad Chapter.

He is an avid reader on topics relating to leadership, technology and business and likes to spend time with his family.