

Shri Rajendra Nimje, ex-IAS Director General Centre for Good Governance Government of Telangana

Shri Rajendra Nimje joined Centre for Good Governance (CGG) as Director General in December 2016. He is a career civil servant from Indian Administrative Service. He has 33 years of professional experience in the field of Public Administration, e-Governance, Energy & Infrastructure. During his long career span, he has provided leadership to public and private sector organizations of various sizes, cultures and different kind of businesses creating a unique blend of experience.

As part of Indian Administrative Service officer, he has worked in different departments like Revenue, Municipal Administration, Technical Education, Excise, GAD Elections etc. As the District Collector in Khammam District, he conceived and launched many e-Governance initiatives. Notable among them were 'Parishkruti' a comprehensive public grievance redressal system, 'Giri-Pragna' for computer education to tribal boys and girls in remotest parts of the district, 'e-Immunization' and 'Health Call Centre' for addressing health and emergency needs of the district.

Mr. Rajendra Nimje holds Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics & Power in 1981 from VRCE (now National Institute of Technology), Nagpur; Master of Technology in Communication Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai in 1983 and Digital Vision Fellowship in e-Governance from Stanford University, USA in 2004. He did his Bachelor of Law, Diploma in Business Management and Diploma in German Language from Nagpur University during 1984-87.

As the Director General of the Centre for Good Governance (CGG), he provides leadership and strengthens e-Governance initiatives drawing from his core strengths to tackle organizational challenges. His experience of Public Administration and Governance would strengthen and guide the efforts of CGG in promoting administrative reforms and transformational governance, which is the core mandate of CGG. The leadership provided by Mr. Rajendra Nimje in the private sector in various infrastructure companies and 'e-Governance' services for corporate sector dealing with various states including AP, UP, Bihar, J&K, Orissa, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Punjab, Delhi, Karnataka, TN & MP would strengthen CGG's plans of strengthening and promoting eDevelopment.

Mr. Rajendra Nimje's areas of interest include organizational reforms & 'e-Governance' with a focus on service delivery to the remotest stake holder; Energy generation and distribution, Solar energy development through ground mounted MW power plants and reaching rural households through solar rooftops; infrastructure development, technical education and urban governance & finance.

Mr. Rajendra Nimje also had an opportunity to lead the National Solar Mission as the first MD of Govt. of India, Schedule A- Public Sector Enterprise – 'Solar Energy Corporation of India'. He was instrumental in conceiving and grounding various schemes and solutions to ramp up 'Solarization' of the country. He has initiated Solar Parks in the state of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, which later was incorporated as GOI scheme for 26 states and UT for 25000 MW. The first VGF based scheme of 750 MW was successfully launched and Rooftop program for 25 cities in the country was put on a fast track. Under his leadership, SECI has emerged as the pivotal organization of National Solar Mission which contributed substantially to the development plan of 100,000 MW of solar power in India.

Mr. Nimje received awards and recognition for his works. Notable among them were the prestigious 'Social e-Challenge' Award 2004 from Stanford University, USA; National e-Governance Awards in 2006 for 'e-Immunization' and for 'Health Call Centre' projects. His projects reached the category of 'Finalist' in Stockholm Challenge Awards, Sweden. These projects are 'e-Hyderabad' in 2002; 'Giri Pragna' in 2006 and 'Parishkruthi' in 2006 & in 2008.