

Atul Punj Chairman and Managing Director Punj Lloyd Group

Atul Punj is the Chairman and Managing Director of Punj Lloyd, a diversified conglomerate providing engineering and construction services in Energy and Infrastructure, with interests in manufacturing and defence sectors. Headquartered in India, Punj Lloyd has operations spread across the Middle East, the Caspian, Asia Pacific, Africa, South Asia, China and Europe.

Mr Punj's global vision for the Group led him to cross boundaries and establish international offices in 23 countries and gain project experience worldwide. The 7000 strong multicultural workforce underlines his focused approach to harness diversity within the organisation. As many as 30 nationalities form an integral part of the workforce at the company's various project sites. This rich amalgamation of diverse skill sets and cultures has resulted in a powerful intellectual work environment, encouraging dynamic ideas and innovative thinking.

Through a combination of strategic acquisitions and joint ventures, he led the Group to enhance its scale and competitive position to acquire a leadership position in the industry with an impressive list of international and national clients. His thrust on operations in Singapore resulted in Punj Lloyd winning the India Enterprise Award from the Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for making significant contributions to and a positive impact on Singapore's socio-economic development. Be it exploring multiple opportunities for the Group in defence or capitalise on the emerging nuclear renaissance, Mr Punj has been instrumental in consolidating Group's diverse businesses.

It is his altruistic initiatives that have resulted in setting up of the 'Punj Lloyd Institute of Infrastructure' at the new Indian School of Business (ISB) campus at Mohali, the craftsmen training institutes for training and the implementation of the Life Enrichment Project for worker welfare at the Punj Lloyd sites.

Mr Punj was awarded the Ernst & Young 'Entrepreneur of the Year 2007' in the Infrastructure & Construction category. CNBC TV 18 conferred the 'First Generation Entrepreneur of the Year' award to Mr Punj. Under his focus on quality construction, Punj Lloyd was presented the award for 'Excellence in Infrastructure' by the Economic Times in 2014. The Group is globally listed in ENR Ranking of Top 225 International Contractors, Top 225 Global Contractors and Top 200 Design Firms, every year.

Atul Punj is based in New Delhi and is actively involved with many trade bodies. With his exhaustive experience of global geographies and energy businesses, Atul Punj is the President of International Pipe Line and Offshore Contractors Association (IPLOCA), headquartered in Switzerland. Representing India at various international forums, Atul Punj is the Chairman of CII National Committee on Construction and a Member of the CII National Council. He was also the Founder Chairman of Samena Capital.

Atul Punj enjoys swimming and skiing. A voracious reader, he enjoys non-fiction.

