

Profile of Ravindra Ulangwar



Ravindra P. Ulangwar is bachelor's in mechanical engineering from Birla Vishwakarma Mahavidyalaya, Gujarat and master's in business administration (MBA) in Marketing Management from Symbiosis Institute of Management.

He has more than 33 years of rich experience in the field of water management. During his professional career he is involved in design, planning and construction of various water projects for drinking water, Irrigation and industrial purposes within India and in the international market.

He is also the Fulbright Scholar, the most prestigious scholarship programme sponsored by The J. Williams Fulbright Scholarship Board and The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State, USA. As a part of this scholarship, he has undergone Global Leadership programme at Tapper School of Business, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburg, USA in 2009.

Today he is one-of-the leading expert of international repute on Water Management and Pumping system solutions in the country. He is one of the **top 25 International Professional Engineer (IntPE – Registration No. IP8000690)** within India **certified by The Institution of Engineers (India)**. He is also the **Fellow of the Institute of Engineers, India (FIE)**.

He is presently working as Vice President and Country Head - Water Management for the Wilo Mather and Platt Pumps, a global leader in Pumps and pumping solutions at Pune.

He has previously worked as Director with Saisanket, a leading smart water management company in India. At Saisanket, he along with his team has worked extensively for design and development of very innovative concept of **Piped Distribution Network (PDN)** for Smart Precision irrigation systems based on Israeli technology.

This technology helps in increasing water-use-efficiency and the irrigation productivity for the large irrigation projects. This unique concept was launched successfully in the state of Madhya Pradesh and Odisha in very big way and today there are many projects operating successfully based on this smart technology helping thousands of marginal farmers to be “Atamnirbhar” – self-sufficient.

Previously he has worked for 23 long years with Kirloskar Brothers Limited, a one of the oldest and the most respected business group in India, at various senior level position as a Member of Board of Director, Vice President and Business sector Head.

He is also instrumental in design and building one of the World’s largest pumping system projects for SURASHTRA Branch Canal Pumping station for Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Ltd. in Gujarat. This project provides drinking water to 3 crores population and provide much needed irrigation water to 5 lacks hectare of farmland of Saurashtra region in Gujarat. The success of this project has transformed the complete economy of Saurashtra region by the watershed management.

There are many prestigious national and International **AWARDS and ACCOLADES** to his credit like:

- **India’s Top 5 Warriors 2022** by The Better India (TBI)
- Declared as “**Abhinav Jalnayak**” featured in the book named “Abhinav Jal Nayak” among the India’s top 18 personalities working on Water management.
- **Indian Achievers Award 2021 for Water Management** from The Indian Achievers Forum
- **Fulbright Scholar 2009, USA**: Received prestigious “**Fulbright- Nehru- CII Fellowship for Leadership in Management** “in 2009 from United States-India Education Foundation (USIEF) instituted by **US Department of home and cultural affairs**. Represented India for leadership development programme under Global Leadership Summer Forum at Taper School of Business, Carnegie Mellon University at Pittsburg, USA.
- **US Patent** for Innovative Energy Saving design and construction of **Siphon System for Sardar Sarovar Project** in Gujarat.
- **Engineer of the Year Award**: Awarded “**Mr. Engineer 2004**” Prize for outstanding contribution in the field of Engineering by **The Institution of Engineers (India), Pune Chapter, Sept 2005**
- **Overseas Technical Scholarship**: Awarded the fully funded fellowship by Association for Overseas Technical Scholarship (AOTS) under **Ministry of Economy Trade & Industry, Japan** for International Training Course on “**Planning and Design of Pumping Works**” at Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand in August 2005.

He is also the Rotarian since 2014 and served on various important positions like:

- **Co-Director Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, (WaSH)** Rotary District 3131 for continuous 3 years since RY 2021-22.
- Zonal Chairman, Interact, District Youth Team, RID 3131, 2020-21
- Service Director Community Projects of RC Aundh, 2020-21
- Co-chairman of District service Committee -Tree Plantation,2016-17
- Past President of **Rotary Club of Aundh Pune, 2015-16.**
- Secretary for **Rotary Club of Aundh Pune 2014-15.**

Due to his extensive work in the areas of water management he is fondly known as **“Pani ka Doctor” – A water warrior.** He is fun loving and people’s person. His hobbies include reading, travel, learning different culture, networking with people and doing social work mainly in the areas of water management.

Through his Rotary club he has established a cow farm having 35 cows at small village Pingori 60 kms away from Pune city. This cow farm is managed by women self-help group consisting of 25 village women. The regular income from the sale of milk and milk produce from this cow farm empowering these women.

He has extensively travelled to more than 50 countries across the globe and have very wide and rich network of personal and professional friends.

His wife Bhavan is a Teacher, Son Atharva is Mechanical Engineer and runs his own start-up company Winone Product Technologies at Pune, daughter Shriya is the Designer and works with the leading media company at Bengaluru. His daughter in law is Architect and works with leading Architectural firm in Pune.

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