



Vikram S Kirloskar

Date of Birth: 19th Nov 1958

SB in Mechanical Engineering, MIT Class of 1981

4th Generation member of the Kirloskar Group started in 1888. The Kirloskar Group manufactures Pumps, Engines and Compressors and other related products.

Director of various Kirloskar companies and Vice Chairman of Toyota Kirloskar Motor.

Vikram lives in Bangalore, Karnataka State and is responsible for bringing in major industry to this Indian State by setting up the automobile plant Toyota Kirloskar Motor. For this he has been recognized by the Government and presented with the "Suvarna Karnataka" award.

He started working in the family business after College, initially in production engineering. He designed and developed many processes and machine tools early in his career.

He was involved in opening the import licensing for capital equipment while serving on the Government's Development Council for Machine Tools in the late 1980's. He has also served as the President of the Central Manufacturing Institute in Bangalore. He continues to serve on the National Council of CII.

Besides handling the manufacturing of the Kirloskar Group of companies, Vikram was instrumental in getting Toyota back to India and is responsible for the six joint ventures between Toyota and the Kirloskar group. As well as the assembly of cars, the joint ventures manufacture motor components. A recent addition has been a transmission manufacturing plant which is successfully supplying Toyota in seven countries.

Vikram has many hobbies. He used to make model airplanes and was part of the Aero Modeling Club at MIT and paints, sculpts and likes to cook. He also plays golf and enjoys going trekking with his wife and daughter.