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EXCELLENT CONTRIBUTION AWARD

Rinkesh Roy, IRTS

For his excellent contribution in significantly increasing the efficiency and freight-loading capacity of Indian Railways.

A 1992-batch officer of the Indian Railway Traffic Services, Rinkesh Roy secured first rank with a distinction in BA Hons (Economics) from Utkal University. An alumnus of Harvard University and National University of Singapore, he did his Master's in Public Management (majoring in Economics) and was awarded the Lee Kuan Yew fellowship in 2013. Having worked in varied capacities, he gained rich experience in the interface and working of iron-ore mines, steel plants, collieries, power plants and port operations, and has developed expertise in railway operations and strategic planning for Indian Railways.

He was instrumental in proposing and implementing policies that overcame capacity constraints by increasing the standard train lengths by one wagon, and decentralizing of powers from the Railway Board to the Zonal Railway level for coal-loading, resulting in shift of coal traffic from road to rail. He was a key member of the team set up by the Government of India to handle the coal crisis of 2011 brought about by strikes in the Singareni Coal Fields and the Telangana agitations.

He introduced long-haul trains (combining two trains and running them as one) and was also associated with the designing of pathbreaking 25-tonne axle load wagons. As Director, Traffic Transportation, Ministry of Railways (2007-2012), he was responsible for freight movement on a pan-India basis, managing a fleet of 4,000 locomotives and 3,400 freight trains which were deployed over a 64,000-km network. Responsibilities included monitoring freight operations over the entire network on a 24x7 basis, doing course corrections, improving asset utilisation and, most important, meeting the demand for freight in the country.

Rinkesh Roy is currently Chief Freight Traffic Manager on the East Coast Railways that has now become the highest freight-loading railway of Indian Railways.



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