

## **PROFILE – Lieutenant General S.P. Sreekumar**

Lieutenant General S.P. Sree kumar enjoyed a span of forty years, in fact forty eight to be specific, if you take into account his donning of uniform in Sainik School, a career in defence forces, serving the nation with pride. Trained and groomed in Sainik School Kazhakootam, National Defence Academy, Khadakvasla, Indian Military Academy Dehradun, Military College of Telecommunication Mhow, Defence Services Staff College Wellington, National Defence College, Delhi, and the like, he is highly qualified academically and rich in experience in all aspects of management, administration, planning, conceptualization, training, coordination and communication. In his distinguished and illustrious career he has risen from the lowest commissioned rank of second lieutenant to the apex level of Signal Officer in Chief of the Corps of Signals.

As signal officer in chief, he commanded and nurtured a force of approximately one lakh personnel, pan India, to lead, govern, and motivate them to a potent, efficient and professional force for mission accomplishment both in peace and war.

In the field of telecommunication, he was at the helm in strategic planning of operational communications, information technology, cyber security, and information warfare of the entire defence forces. His charter of duties also included planning and execution of integrated communication technology network to take Indian Army into the network centric era including contingents in the UN mission and training teams in friendly foreign countries.

He also conceptualized and executed technology projects that brought about a complete revolution in communication and network architecture of the entire Indian Army. He has also headed various project managements from inception to implementation. His achievements include steering international level Defence Communication Conference–DEFCOM with active participation of friendly foreign countries for three consecutive years.

During his tenure in Andhra Pradesh, the General was President, Board of civil administration of all cantonments in Andhra Pradesh and was responsible for apex level coordination and conduct of civil military liaison and follow up joint decisions leading to green revolution and rain water harvesting.

Widely travelled across the globe, Gen. Sreekumar has held an important appointment as Chief Signal Officer of a UN mission of combined forces in Somalia.

He has been trained in Budapest, Hungary, in electronic warfare.

He was also a member of apex level officer career management delegation to UK and US in 2000.

As a member of the delegation of Govt. of India, he attended the Plenipotentiary Conference organised by The International Communication Union (ITU), at Antalya, Turkey in 2006.

He represented India in Asia Mobile Congress at Macau in 2007 and presented a paper on “Spectrum Reforming and Allocation”.

Presented a paper on “Development of Communication Infrastructure for a network centric era” at Network Warfare seminar, in Singapore in 2007.  
Lead a defence delegation to Israel and US as a part of Indo-US defence Corporation.  
In the field of education, he has been chairman of Army College Of Dental Sciences, two Army Schools and one Kendriya Vidyalaya.  
He was also the commandant of one of the largest and important training institutions of the Indian army comprising of one hundred and fifty directing staff and 1800 civil and military training personnel.

A highly qualified officer, he has to his credit:-  
M Phil -First division- from Devi Ahilya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Indore  
MBA -Distinction –in operational research – Pune University.  
MSc defence studies – Distinction — Madras University  
B tech – JNU - First class with distinction

Served as **board of directors of ECIL, ITI ,BEL.**  
He also enjoys the honor of being **conferred a fellowship in The All India management Association as also Institution of Electronic and Telecommunication Engineers.**  
He is also a **member of The Computer Society Of India.**

When he was Signal Officer in Chief, he was specially elected to be advisor to Group of Ministers headed by Sri. Pranab Mukherjee for spectrum management at national level and later he interacted on the same subject with the then national security advisor, Mr. Narayanan.

For his contributions to the nation and achievements, he was honored with the following awards :-  
**Param Vishisht Seva Medal** by the President of India in 2008 for distinguished services of exceptional order.  
**Ati Vishisht Seva Medal** by the President of India in 2005 for services of highest order during Indian Army’s operations in J&K.  
**Chief Of Army Commendation** for providing flawless communication in UN mission in Somalia.  
**Appointed Aide- de Camp to President of India** in 2007.