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**CEO**  
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Krishnakumar Natarajan (KK) is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of MindTree. In this capacity, he has the overall responsibility of both the IT Services and the R&D services businesses of the organization. Until recently, KK served as President & CEO – IT Services for MindTree. One of co-founders, KK is responsible for taking the company's IT Services to a global leadership position.

In the early years of MindTree, KK moved to the U.S. to launch its operations in the region and was instrumental in acquiring some of the early customers for the organization. He then drove MindTree's expansion into Europe, Asia Pacific, the Middle East and Australia. As a result of his leadership, MindTree has added several Fortune 500 companies to its client list and has now grown to make a guidance of \$186 million business for 2007-08.

Prior to co-founding MindTree, KK was Chief Executive of the Electronic Commerce & Financial Solutions Division at Wipro, and held several other key positions in the same organization from 1982 until 1999. During the growth phase of Wipro's software business, KK started and grew the e-commerce division of Wipro, developing a team of 300 people and generating \$30 million in revenues annually. Earlier, while serving as Group Vice President of human resources, KK increased the number of employees in Wipro's software services business from 800 to over 4,000 people.

KK has been elected to the Executive Council of NASSCOM for three consecutive terms and works towards strengthening India's position in IT through key strategic global initiatives. At NASSCOM, he also chairs the Emerging Companies Forum, helping the Indian IT Industry build a globally competitive ecosystem comprising of both large and emerging companies.

KK is also an active member of professional industry organizations such as the Manufacturer's Association for Information Technology and the Confederation of Indian Industry. He is a regular speaker/faculty at reputed conferences and management schools worldwide.

KK earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the College of Engineering, Madras, India, and a Master's in Business Administration majoring in marketing and systems from the Xavier Institute, Jamshedpur, India. Golf and travel rank high among his interests.