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Mr Krishna Sastry Pendyala is currently working as Executive Director, Advisory, Forensic Technology Services, PwC India. Prior to this, Mr. Sastry worked 3.5 years with Tata Consultancy Services as Global Head, Fraud Management & Digital Forensics & 23 years with Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India as Forensic Scientist and handled a large number of Cyber Investigations of national and international importance. Sastry examined more than 1400 cases involving digital evidence referred by various state & central Lawenforcement agencies and deposed evidence in various Courts of Law. His core area of expertise includes off-line & online Digital Forensic investigations, Cyber security breach investigation, Incident response Management, Malware analysis and e-discovery.

Sastry was Project Leader and Steering Group member for several Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of Communication & Information Technology, Govt. of India, funded projects for developing Digital Forensics and instrumental in setting up of Digital Forensic Laboratories in various Central and State Law enforcement units. Through INTERPOL General Secretariat, Lyons & national central bureau (INTERPOL) India, Sastry as a subject matter expert trained Law Enforcement officials of more than 95 countries in Asia, Africa and Pacific regions in Electronic Fraud & cyber-crime investigations, Digital Forensics etc., at New Zealand, Fiji, Kenya, Nigeria, Estonia, Singapore, Rwanda, Senegal, Vietnam, Malaysia, Austria etc.

Sastry received a large number of Awards, commendations, appreciation letters. A few are, "Union Home Minister Award for Meritorious Service" in the year 2004, Directorate of Forensic Science, Ministry of Home affairs award for "promoting new technologies in the Field of Forensic Science". Sastry co-authored the first Indian book on Cyber Forensics titled "Computer Crimes and Forensics". He was the Chief reviewer of "Electronic storage of records" manual of Indian Banks Association and contributor for Cyber Crime Investigation, Cyber Crime training manual of Data Security Council of India (DSCI), "Digital Evidence Investigation Manual" of Central Board of Direct Taxes, Department of Revenue etc., Also author of several research papers published in national & international journals. Sastry currently member of INTERPOL, Global Cyber Crime Expert Committee and IT Standing Committee of Reserve Bank of India on cyber security.

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