



NATARAJAN CHANDRASEKARAN

CHAIRMAN, TATA SONS

Natarajan Chandrasekaran (Chandra) is the Chairman of Tata Sons, the holding company and promoter of all Tata Group companies. Chandra joined the Board of Tata Sons in October 2016 and was appointed Chairman in January 2017. He also chairs the Boards of several group operating companies, including Tata Steel, Tata Motors, Tata Power, Air India, Tata Chemicals, Tata Consumer Products, Indian Hotel Company, and Tata Consultancy Services.

Before becoming the Chairman, he was the Chief Executive of TCS, a company in which he served 30 years, including eight, until 2017, as its CEO. Under Chandra's leadership, TCS became the country's most valuable company.

At the Tata Group, Chandra has pursued the "One Tata" strategy, based on the themes of simplification, scale, and synergy. Now he is driving transformation of the Tata group towards a sustainable future. He has steered the group into new businesses including semiconductors, electronics manufacturing, consumer internet platform, mobile technology and battery giga-factories. The Tata group has expanded its aviation presence with the acquisition of Air India and is building a large global airline. The group's turnover exceeded US\$168 billion with a market cap of US\$365 billion as on 31st March, 2024.

Chandra is on the International Advisory Council of Singapore's Economic Development Board, Mitsubishi's International Advisory Committee and on the Board of Governors of New York Academy of Sciences. He is the Co-Chair of the India US CEO Forum.

The numerous recognitions conferred on him include, the Padma Bhushan, one of India's highest civilian awards in 2022 and France's highest civilian award Légion d'Honneur, in 2023.

Chandra has been awarded several honorary doctorates by leading Universities in India and internationally, including an honorary Doctor of Letters from Macquarie University, Australia, Doctor Honoris Causa by Nyenrode University, The Netherlands, and Doctor of Letters from the Regional Engineering College, Trichy, Tamil Nadu.

Chandra is also the author of Bridgital Nation, a groundbreaking book on harnessing technological disruptions to bring Indians closer to their dreams.

He is an avid photographer, and a passionate long-distance marathon runner. He is a Six Star Finisher of the World Marathon Majors and continues to champion fitness.

Born in 1963, Chandra is a Bachelor in Applied Sciences and has Masters in Computer Applications. He lives in Mumbai, with his wife Lalitha, and they have a son.