

## **Mr. Navin Kumar**

### **Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India**

Mr. Navin Kumar is a member of the Indian Administrative Service, the senior civil service of India. With 35 years of extensive administrative experience behind him, Mr Kumar is presently holding the position of Secretary to Government of India in the Ministry of Urban Development.

Born in 1952, Mr. Kumar did Post Graduation in Physics with First Class academic credentials. He joined the Civil Service in 1975 at the early age of 23 and was assigned to the state cadre of Bihar. In his long career he has held positions of responsibility in the State and Central Governments in areas such as education, social security, youth affairs, water resources, energy, industries, broadcasting, IT and finance.

Mr. Kumar also worked as Technical Advisor to the Government of Sierra Leone for management of food aid under the Commonwealth Technical Cooperation Programme. With special interest in arts and media, Mr Kumar took up assignment as head of the national TV of India, Doordarshan, and served as its Director General from 2004 to 2006.

Extensively trained in Management and Public Policy, Mr. Navin Kumar is a tech-savvy person. He writes computer programmes in his spare time. Besides, he takes keen interest in drawing and painting, trying his hand at fine arts during his leisure. Mr. Navin Kumar is married and has two children.