

SURESH PRABHAKAR PRABHU

Ace Administrator with Great Panache	
POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE: Has held various cabinet portfolios. Known for his out of box thinking, has scripted various reforms and effected organizational transformations	
Prime Minister's Sherpa to G 7 and G 20 Present	2019 -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official emissary of the Prime Minister of India in the G7 & G20 forums • Shaping the official agenda of the Government of India on key issues for G7 & G20 Summit; in a short span has engaged with global leaders/thinkers and has led delegations across the globe 	
Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, Government of India 2017 - 2019	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boosting domestic manufacturing at the district level to achieve USD 5 trillion economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Initiated the Start- the pilot District Level Development plan in six districts across five states with a focus on interventions critical to boosting manufacturing at the district level → Initiated the process of introducing the EODB framework at the district Level • Trade promotion: Taking steps towards a more focused approach towards export promotion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Drove policies which resulted in India registering its highest ever merchandise exports of over USD 330 bn in 2018-19 → Achieved a massive USD 10 bn cut in trade deficit with China in 1 year; this was the first time in 30 years that trade deficit with China reduced • Pivoting multilateralism on India <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Continuous efforts towards making India a focal point in new power dynamics in trade multilateralism; organized a special mini Ministerial WTO meet in India • Investment Promotion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Reinforcing the efforts towards increasing the Ease of Doing Business in India for both foreign and domestic players. India ranked first in Ease of Doing Business report among South Asian countries as compared to 6th in 2014. India achieved the 77th position in the World Bank's EODB ranking, leaping up by 23 ranks. → In the last four years, India has received FDI worth 263 billion US dollars which is 45 per cent of the FDI received in the last 18 years. • Technology and Innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Government e-Marketplace (GeM) was set up as the National Public Procurement Portal in August 2016 for facilitating completely online and transparent system for procurement of goods and services. GeM platform saw transactions worth Rs 17500 crores in last 2 years, resulting in an average saving of 25-28% • Boosting the Start-up ecosystem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Start-up India is a flagship initiative of the Government of India, intended to build a strong ecosystem that is conducive for the growth of start-up businesses, to drive sustainable economic growth and generate large scale employment opportunities. The number of recognized startups by the Ministry has crossed 15,000. Total employment generated because of that has been for over 130,000 persons. • Forward looking Policy Making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Initiated the development of India's first ever National e-Commerce Policy → Implemented a new age IPR policy to enhance the IPR regime in India 	
Union Minister for Civil Aviation, Government of India 2019	2017 -
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Making <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Released India's first ever National Air Cargo Policy, Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) Policy, National Green Aviation Policy and Drone Policy • Promotion of the aviation industry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Drove the implementation of the regional connectivity scheme or UDAN - More than 12 lakh passengers flown under UDAN till 31st January, 2019. In 28 months of UDAN, 69 unserved airports, 31 helicopters and 6 water drones awarded. → Facilitating the implementation of setting up of water aerodromes across five states in the country 	
Union Minister for Railways, Government of India	2014 to 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer Focus: Historically known to be less responsive towards customers, changed the approach of Indian Railways from "Passengers" to "Customers" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Successfully introduced real time customer complaint resolution mechanism through social media → Introduced a host of innovative customer friendly measures ranging from E-catering, Water vending machines, Clean my Coach service, Automatic Ticket Vending Machines and significantly improved coach designs • Planning and Investment: Effected a paradigm shift in Railways project financing by leveraging Extra Budgetary Resources including various innovative measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Negotiated a very attractive loan from Life Insurance Corporation of India for Rs 1.5 lakh Crore. It was unprecedented in IR's history, when Extra Budgetary funding was leveraged to fuel investment growth. → Secured a soft loan from JICA to the tune of \$12 Billion with 15 years moratorium, 50 year repayment period and 0.1% interest rate for development of first of its kind in India, High Speed Rail between Mumbai to Ahmedabad 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure Creation: Led Railways to achieve a quantum jump in infrastructure creation spending and improving connectivity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Substantially increased the average km broad gauge lines commissioned to 7.7km/day against past average of 4.3 km/day → Massive connectivity projects executed to connect difficult terrain and uncertain geology like J&K and north east. Increased annual line commissioning from an average of 100Kms to over 500 Kms • Sustainability: Effectively made sustainability an integral part of Railways strategy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Diversified Railways energy consumption basket to include renewable energy sources and energy efficient equipments with a vision to source at least 25% energy use from renewable energy sources by 2020 → Effected direct procurement of about 750 MW of power by Ministry of Railways under Open Access, reduction in Traction power bill of Rs 1400 Crore • Governance and Transparency: Staunch advocate for transparency, leveraged technology and delegation to improve governance in Railways <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Delegated powers to functional levels and achieved 75% reduction in project approval duration → Successfully established 100% E-procurement in Indian Railways 	
Prime Minister's Sherpa for G20 Summit	2014 to 2015
Official emissary of the Prime Minister of India in the G20 forum; prepared the official agenda of the Government of India on key issues for G20 Summit	
Chairperson, Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers (Cabinet Minister Equivalent), Govt of India	2002 to 2004
Chaired the comprehensive program of Government of India aimed at insuring the country against water stress through linkage of major rivers in the Himalayan and Peninsular regions of the country	
Union Minister for Power, Government of India	2000 to 2002
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power Generation Augmentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Prepared an action plan for creation of an additional capacity of 1,00,000 MW to give power on demand by 2012 → Renovation and Modernization action plan formulated for 170 thermal power units and 35 hydro units with total generation capacity of 14,000MW • Policy Measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Introduced the landmark Electricity Bill 2001 which provided for non-discriminatory open access in the transmission segment and mandated State Electricity Regulatory Commissions to introduce open access in distribution → Executed the Accelerated Power Development Program (APDP) in order to improve operational efficiency of old generating stations through renovation/modernization and reduce the transmission and distribution losses • Rural Electrification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Instrumental in preparation of a 7 year Action Plan for Rural Electrification to complete electrification of all villages in the country → Set up credit support from Rural Electrification Corporation to State Electricity Boards for speedy electrification of dalitbastis, households of scheduled tribes and other weaker sections of society • Encouraging Investments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → FDI in transmission encouraged through two routes: Joint Ventures and through Independent Power Transmission Corporation → Amended the Indian Electricity Act, 1998 to enable private sector participation in transmission • Distribution Reforms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Prepared a holistic six level intervention strategy for distribution reforms in power sector and strengthening State Electricity Boards → On commercial front, took action to ensure tamper proof meters, operationalised energy accounting, implemented decentralized computerized billing system • Sustainable Power Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Set up a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to take up afforestation and stipulated environmental measures → Took steps to enhance use of fly ash products in Government infrastructure projects 	
Union Cabinet Minister for Environment and Forests, Government of India	1998 to 1999
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention and control of pollution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Instrumental in preparation of a comprehensive National Environment Action Plan → Introduced 100% centrally funded Schemes for reducing pollution in 22 major cities of India • Environment Clearances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Streamlined procedures for environmental clearances and introduced transparency by bringing all works regarding environment and forest clearances on Internet → Issued notification to make Environmental Impact Assessment compulsory for 29 developmental activities • Legislative Initiatives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Instrumental in preparation of a draft Biological Diversity Act for conservation → Finalized the Hazardous Waste Management Rules, Solid Waste Management Rules & Biomedical Waste Management 	

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Rules	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conservation of Natural Resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Prepared a detailed action plan for achieving 33% forest cover in the country → Set up the National Committee for identification of Eco-sensitive zones 	
Union Cabinet Minister for Chemicals and Fertilizers	1999 to 2000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fertilizers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Instrumental in preparation of long-term fertilizer policy, which would chart the future course of the fertilizer industry by involving all stakeholders → Set up JVs with countries having reserves of Potash, marking a new chapter in India's quest for self sufficiency Chemicals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Prepared a bill on Chemical Weapons Conventions; → Set up separate environment friendly Chemical Estates for the chemical industry Pharmaceuticals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Instrumental in formulating of a new drug policy with an eye on encouraging competition while ensuring adequate supply of drugs at affordable prices to the people → Raised the proposal for raising the automatic approval limit of pharmaceutical sector from 51% to 74% in order to increase FDI Petrochemicals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Played a proactive role in early commissioning of key infrastructure to improve country's self reliance in petrochemicals 	
Union Cabinet Minister for Industry, Government of India	1996 to 1996
In a short tenure of 13 days made efforts to create transparency in the functioning of the Ministry and clearance of pending works	
Parliamentarian with Top Qualities of Head and Heart :	
Currently a Member of Rajya Sabha from Andhra Pradesh, have been a Member of Parliament in the 11 th , 12 th , 13 th and 14 th Lok Sabha from 1996-2009. Took a host of initiatives to ensure constituency development, legislative reforms and opinion building	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constituency Development: Constituency comprised of the district of Sindhudurg and parts of Ratnagiri district in the state of Maharashtra on the western coast of India <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Provided innovative model of development through the socio-economic programmes initiated in the 1209 villages of the parliamentary constituency, Rajapur → Successfully piloted "Parivartan Kendra's"- an innovative model of development aimed at providing economic opportunities and sustainable livelihood to each and every individual of household at his/her place of residence. Each 'Parivartan Kendra' or 'Transformation Centre' looked after development of 10 to 12 villages by segmenting the population into different target groups and addressing specific problems of each target group through public participation, social mobilization and awareness generation → Set up a Vocational Training School imparting training to over 30,000 poor people, primarily women from rural areas → Successfully ensured setting up of Eco-Clubs in over 100 schools, to create environmental awareness at a very young age → Built a network of over 150 Gymnasiums for physical development of locals Legislative Initiatives: Instrumental in introduction of key legislative reforms and futuristic legislations. A staunch advocate of public participation and dialogue in introducing new legislations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Introduced the landmark Electricity Bill 2001 which became the Electricity Act 2003 → Initiated Bio-diversity Bill, Electricity Regulatory (Amendment) Bill 2001, Energy Conservation Bill, 2001 → Instrumental in introduction of Bills on Bio-Medical Waste, Municipal Solid Waste and Chemical Weapons Association with Parliamentary committees: Have been associated with over a dozen parliamentary committees and forums. Some of them are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Chairman, Parliamentary Forum on Environment, Parliamentary Maritime Group, Co-operative Forum of Parliamentarians, Indo-Japanese Parliamentary Forum, Forum against Fake Drugs → Member, Indo-USA and Indo – UK forum of parliamentarians, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Ministry of External Affairs, Public Accounts Committee, Joint Parliamentary Committee to draft Women's Reservation Bill, Parliamentary Standing Committee and Consultative committee on Finance, Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Parliamentary Forum on Water Conservation and Management, Committee on HIV Aids 	
Entrepreneur ,Banker par Excellence	
Chairman, Saraswat Co-operative Bank Limited	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youngest ever Chairman of one of the largest cooperative bank 	
Business Owner, Chartered Accountancy Firm	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Owned Chartered Accountancy firm before joining politics in 1996 	
Life Devoted to Worthy Social Causes	
ENGAGEMENTS WITH NGOS/SOCIAL ORGANISATIONS	
Connected with over 150 social and cultural organizations. Some of them are:	

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- Chairperson of Manav Sadhan Vikas Sanstha, an NGO working towards empowerment of people. MSVS seeks to bring about a holistic development of communities through proactive participation of both governmental and non-governmental stakeholders. It integrates economic, social, physical, ecological, intellectual and spiritual aspects in its developmental strategy in a holistic manner, thereby providing a greater meaning to the life.

ASSOCIATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL IMPACT BODIES

- A global visionary widely acclaimed for his international management skills. Engaged with various international forums and visited over 100 countries. Some of the engagements are listed below:
 - Chairman, Asia Energy Foundation
 - South Asia Chair, Global Water Partnership
 - Chairman, SAARC Farmers Forum
 - Chairman, Global Foundation of Farmers
 - President, World Forum for Global Governance, UK

Misc Highlights

- Member of United Nations Commission for Biodiversity & Land Use Change, Global Advisory Council of the WEF
- Chairman, Maharashtra State Finance Commission, Council on Energy, Environment and Water
- Featured amongst top three Indian leaders of the future in the cover story, "Giant on the Move" (Sept 2000 issue) of the Hong Kong based Asiaweek Magazine
- Declared "Best Member of Parliament in 13th Lok Sabha" in April 2004 by AajTak, a leading TV Channel in India
- Ranked as the 2nd best performing Minister in India Today's report (dated August 27, 2001) on the performance of key Ministers Of Govt. of India

Combines Academic Excellence with Trusted Leadership Qualities

PUBLICATIONS

- A rare mix of academic excellence and execution capability, has been published widely on social and economic issues
 - Causes and Consequences of Mass Unemployment of Youths" at the Central Committee for International Voluntary Services (CCIVS), UNESCO, Paris
 - Students' Unrest" at Bajaj Institute of Management, Mumbai
 - Problems of Youth in Third World Countries" at CCIVS, Monrovia (Liberia)

EDUCATION

- Pursuing Ph.D. in Climate Change issues in relation to Energy and Environment from Frei University, Berlin
- Pursuing Ph.D. in State Public Finance from Mumbai University, Mumbai
- Honorary Doctorate conferred by IFRI
- Fellow Chartered Accountant from The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Delhi, All India Rank 11
- LLB, New Law College, Mumbai
- Bachelor of Commerce (Hons.) from Mumbai University, Mumbai, India

VARIED INTERESTS: Besides Reading and Writing, a Music Aficionado, Sports Enthusiast, Committed Philatelist

- Social and Cultural Interests: Associated with a large number of organizations in education, art and literature, sports, adult's education, rehabilitation of children, hospitals, theatres, drama and trade associations like World Chambers of Commerce & Industry; Treasurer, Confederation of UNESCO Clubs & Associations
- Special Interests: Cooperatives, Social Work, International Affairs, Education, Economic Affairs and Public Finance, Industry, Rural Development, Literature & Fine Arts, Trade Unions and Association
- Sports: Table Tennis, Lawn Tennis, Chess, Cricket and Football
- Club Memberships: Boat Club, Khar Gymkhana, New Bombay Sports Association, MIG Sports Club, Gymkhana Club, New Delhi and Vice Chairman, Table Tennis Federation of India
- Hobbies: Reading, Traveling, Music, Sports, Drama and Philately