

Board of Directors

Chairman

Yogesh Chander Deveshwar

Executive Directors

Anup Singh

Krishnamoorthy Vaidyanath

Non-Executive Directors

Anil Bajjal

Ravinder Kumar Kaul

Serajul Haq Khan

Sunil Behari Mathur

Dinesh Kumar Mehrotra

Hugo Geoffrey Powell

Pillappakkam Bahukutumbi Ramanujam

Anthony Ruys

Basudeb Sen

Balakrishnan Vijayaraghavan

Board Committees

Audit Committee

S B Mathur Chairman

R K Kaul Member

P B Ramanujam Member

B Vijayaraghavan Member

K Vaidyanath Invitee

(Director responsible for the Finance Function)

S Basu Invitee

(Head of Internal Audit)

Representative of the Invitee

Statutory Auditors

B B Chatterjee Secretary

Compensation Committee

S H Khan Chairman

S B Mathur Member

H G Powell Member

B Sen Member

Investor Services Committee

R K Kaul Chairman

P B Ramanujam Member

A Singh Member

B Sen Member

B Vijayaraghavan Member

B B Chatterjee Secretary

Nominations Committee

Y C Deveshwar Chairman

A Bajjal Member

R K Kaul Member

S H Khan Member

S B Mathur Member

D K Mehrotra Member

P B Ramanujam Member

Sustainability Committee

Y C Deveshwar Chairman

H G Powell Member

A Ruys Member

B Sen Member

B Vijayaraghavan Member

Corporate Management Committee

Directors

Y C Deveshwar Chairman

A Singh Member

K Vaidyanath Member

Executives

N Anand Invitee

P Chatterjee Invitee

K N Grant Invitee

R G Jacob Invitee

A Nayak Invitee

R Srinivasan Invitee

B B Chatterjee Secretary

Executive Vice President & Company Secretary

Biswa Behari Chatterjee

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Your Directors

Y. C. Deveshwar

Y. C. Deveshwar, an engineering graduate from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi joined ITC Limited in 1968. He was appointed as a Director on the Board of the Company in 1984 and became the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Board on January 1, 1996. Between 1991 and 1994, he led Air India as Chairman and Managing Director.

Under his leadership, ITC's Sustainability efforts were given shape through unique business models. ITC became the first Indian company to publish its Sustainability Report, 2004 in accordance with the guidelines of the Global Reporting Initiative. For the efforts at creating sustainable livelihood opportunities, ITC also won the inaugural World Business Award instituted jointly by the United Nations Development Programme, International Chamber of Commerce and the HRH Prince of Wales International Business Leaders Forum. ITC's 'e-Choupal', a digital infrastructure initiative to empower marginal farmers in India, is taught as a case study at the Harvard Business School. This initiative won the Development Gateway Award at Beijing in September 2005 and the Stockholm Challenge Award in May 2006.

Deveshwar is the Past President of the Confederation of Indian Industry. He is also a member of the Board of Governors of the Indian School of Business and the former Chairman of the Society and Board of Governors of the Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta. He also serves on the National Executive Committees of some of India's premier trade and industry bodies.

Amongst several awards and recognitions during his distinguished career, Deveshwar has been honoured with the SAM/SPG Sustainability Leadership Award 2007 conferred at the International Sustainability Leadership Symposium, the Business Person of the Year Award 2006 by the UK Trade & Investment by His Royal Highness Prince Andrew, the Duke of York. In January 2006, he was inducted to the prestigious Hall of Pride at the Indian Science Congress. He was also named the Manager Entrepreneur of the Year 2001 by Ernst & Young.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
Surya Nepal Private Limited*	Chairman & Director
HT Media Limited	Director
West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
HT Media Limited	Audit Committee	Member

Anup Singh

Anup Singh was appointed a Director on the Board of ITC on November 21, 1997. He supervises the Company's Cigarettes, Foods, Personal Care, Lifestyle Retailing and Agri Business Divisions. He has in the past held responsibility for the Company's Information Technology business.

An Electrical Engineer from IIT Kharagpur, he has played a key role in initiating modernisation, quality and technology upgradation in various businesses across ITC through a career spanning more than four decades. He was instrumental in implementing the concept of "Management by Objectives" (MBO), a strategic initiative of the Company.

Prior to his appointment as Director, he led the Company's Cigarette and Specialty Papers businesses as its Chief Executive. Mr. Singh also holds responsibility for the Company's R&D, Environment, Occupational Health and Safety functions and oversees the Central Projects Organisation. His Directorships include that of the Tobacco Institute of India. He is the President of The Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industry and past President of the Indian Chamber of Commerce.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
ATC Limited	Chairman & Director
Surya Nepal Private Limited*	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies: Nil

K. Vaidyanath

K. Vaidyanath was appointed a Director on the Board of ITC on January 17, 2001. He holds responsibility for the Company's Finance, Internal Audit and Corporate Communications functions, its investment subsidiary, its Paperboards & Specialty Papers, Packaging, Information Technology, Education and Stationery Products, Matches and Agarbattis businesses.

Before his elevation to the Board, he was the Company's Chief Financial Officer. An MBA from XLRI, Jamshedpur, Vaidyanath has been with ITC for the past 33 years. He has held various positions in the Company's Finance function including that of Head of Finance of ITC's Packaging, Hotels and Agri Businesses. He has also been Head of Corporate Planning & Treasury and Internal Audit. He has in the past held responsibility for the Company's Agri Business. He has been a recipient of the 'Best CFO' award from Business Today.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
Russell Credit Limited	Chairman & Director
Gold Flake Corporation Limited	Chairman & Director
Wills Corporation Limited	Chairman & Director
Greenacre Holdings Limited	Chairman & Director
ITC Infotech India Limited	Chairman & Director
ITC Infotech Limited, U.K.*	Chairman & Director
ITC Infotech (USA), Inc.*	Chairman & Director
Classic Infrastructure & Development Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
Russell Credit Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Gold Flake Corporation Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Greenacre Holdings Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman

Anil Bajjal

Anil Bajjal joined the ITC Board as a representative of the Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India on July 27, 2007. Bajjal started off in the Indian Administrative Service in 1969 from the Union Territories Cadre and superannuated in October 2006 as Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India. He piloted the flagship programme of the Jawaharlal Nehru Urban Renewal Mission for improving infrastructure and basic services in the urban areas of the country.

In his long career spanning over 37 years, he has held several eminent positions including that of Chairman and Managing Director of Indian Airlines, Chief Executive of Prasar Bharti Corporation, Union Home Secretary, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting and Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India.

He was posted as the Counsellor in charge of the Indian Aid Programme in Nepal, Embassy of India, Kathmandu. He also had a brief stint as Vice-Chairman of Delhi Development Authority.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
International Travel House Limited	Director
Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited	Director
DLF Pramerica Life Insurance Company Limited	Director
IDFC PPP Trusteeship Company Limited	Director
MMTC Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
DLF Pramerica Life Insurance Company Limited	Audit & Compliance Committee	Member

Your Directors

R. K. Kaul

R. K. Kaul joined the ITC Board on August 7, 2007 as a representative of the General Insurers' (Public Sector) Association of India. Kaul commenced his career as an Officer with the General Insurance Corporation of India in 1977. After a year, he was assigned to the National Insurance Company Limited (NICL), where he handled several responsibilities.

In 1993, Kaul was seconded to Kenindia Assurance Company Limited, Nairobi as Deputy General Manager, Operations. He returned to NICL in 1999 as Manager of Delhi Regional Office II. From 2000 to 2002, he was in charge of operations of NICL in Gujarat. In 2002, he became the Assistant General Manager of Delhi Regional Office I. In 2006, he took over as General Manager, NICL, Kolkata. He does not hold directorship or committee membership of any other company.

S. H. Khan

S. H. Khan joined the ITC Board as a Non-Executive Independent Director on October 30, 2006. Khan is the former Chairman and Managing Director of Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI). He holds a Master's degree in Commerce and is a university Gold Medalist. He is an alumnus of International Management Development Institute, Lausanne.

He started his professional career with RBI and after serving it for a few years moved over to IDBI in 1966. He served IDBI in various capacities for over three decades and retired as its Chairman and Managing Director in 1998. During his tenure as Chairman, IDBI made impressive growth in its operations and profits. He was instrumental in expanding its activities to several new areas like commercial banking, asset management and stock broking. He played an important role in the promotion of two premier capital market institutions viz., NSE and NSDL and guided their operations for 5 years as their first Chairman. He was also involved in the promotion of the rating agency, CARE and served as its Chairman for 10 years.

Khan in his capacity as IDBI Chairman has served on the Boards of a number of important institutions such as UTI, LIC, GIC, IFCI, Exim Bank, Deposit Insurance Corporation, Indian Airlines and Air India. Currently he serves as an Independent Director on the Boards of several companies.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
Infrastructure Development Finance Company Limited	Director
Apollo Health Street Limited	Director
Bajaj Auto Limited	Director
Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company Limited	Director
Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Limited	Director
Bajaj Holdings & Investment Limited	Director
Bajaj Finserv Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
Infrastructure Development Finance Company Limited	Audit Committee Investors' Grievance Committee	Chairman Chairman
Apollo Health Street Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Bajaj Auto Limited	Audit Committee Shareholders' / Investors' Grievance Committee	Chairman Member
Bajaj Finserv Limited	Shareholders' / Investors' Grievance Committee Audit Committee	Chairman Member
Bajaj Holdings & Investment Limited	Audit Committee Shareholders' / Investors' Grievance Committee	Member Member

S. B. Mathur

S. B. Mathur has been on the ITC Board since July 29, 2005, first as a representative of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) and then in his individual capacity as a Non-Executive Independent Director.

A qualified Chartered Accountant, Mathur retired from LIC in October 2004 as its Chairman. Subsequently, the Government of India appointed him the Administrator of the Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India in December 2004, up to December 2007.

Mathur took over as Chairman of LIC at a time when the insurance sector had just opened up. Under his leadership, LIC successfully rose to the challenges of a competitive environment by enhancing product offerings.

He joined LIC in 1967 as a Direct Recruit Officer and rose to the rank of Chairman. He held various positions in LIC including Senior Divisional Manager of Gwalior Division, Chief of Corporate Planning, General Manager of LIC (International) E.C., Zonal Manager in charge of Western Zone and Executive Director.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
National Stock Exchange of India Limited	Chairman
IDFC Trustee Company Limited	Chairman & Director
Orbis Financial Corporation Limited	Chairman & Director
Ultra Tech Cement Limited	Director
National Collateral Management Services Limited	Director
HOEC Limited	Director
Havells India Limited	Director
DCM Shriram Industries Limited	Director
Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited	Director
Housing Development & Infrastructure Limited	Director
Universal Sampo General Insurance Company Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
Havells India Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Universal Sampo General Insurance Company Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Orbis Financial Corporation Limited	Audit Committee	Member
HOEC Limited	Audit Committee	Member
DCM Shriram Industries Limited	Audit Committee	Member

D. K. Mehrotra

D. K. Mehrotra has been on the ITC Board since May 26, 2006, first as a representative of the Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India and then as a representative of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC). He is currently the Managing Director of LIC. He joined LIC as a Direct Recruit Officer in 1977.

Born in 1953, Mehrotra is an Honours Graduate in Science from the Patna University. In an illustrious career spanning 30 years, Mehrotra has held various important positions spanning three Zones and the Corporate Office of LIC. He was Executive Director (International Operations) before being appointed Managing Director.

Mehrotra has attended several important knowledge forums in India and abroad. He is associated with the apex training institutes of insurance in India, like the National Insurance Academy and the Insurance Institute of India. He is also a member of the Supervisory Board of India Advantage Funds I & II of the ICICI Venture Funds Management Company Limited.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
LICHFL Care Homes Limited	Chairman
LIC (International) B.S.C.(C), Bahrain*	Deputy Chairman & Director
LIC Housing Finance Limited	Managing Director
ACC Limited	Director
Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited	Director
LIC Cards Services Limited	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies: Nil

Your Directors

H. G. Powell

H. G. Powell joined the ITC Board as a representative of BAT on May 7, 2008. Powell's career, spanning almost 40 years, began in 1963 when he joined Unilever in its Management Development Scheme. He trained with Lever Brothers for 5 years in the Marketing and Sales functions.

In 1968, he joined Warner-Lambert Inc. as Brand Manager and became General Manager, Consumer Products, in 1975. A year later, he moved over to Standard Brands in Canada and assumed charge as President of Lowney's Confectionery. Two years later, Powell joined Jacobs Suchard as President of Nabob Foods. He later shifted to Germany to head Jacobs Suchard's coffee and chocolate unit.

In 1984, he joined John Labatt Limited in Canada, and was President of a number of its businesses, including McGavin's Bakeries, Everfresh Juice Company in Chicago, Ontario Breweries and Labatt Brewing Company. In 1995, he took over as Chief Executive Officer of Interbrew Americas and then of Interbrew SA in 1999. Powell retired from Interbrew SA in 2002.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
Reynolds American Inc.*	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies: Nil

P. B. Ramanujam

P. B. Ramanujam has been on the Board of ITC since October 30, 1998, first as a representative of the General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC) and its erstwhile subsidiaries and then in his individual capacity as a Non-Executive Independent Director. A qualified Chartered Accountant, Ramanujam has held several responsibilities in GIC covering finance, accounts, investments, reinsurance, information technology etc. He was General Manager and Director with the National Insurance Company Limited, and Managing Director of GIC till July 31, 2004.

Ramanujam has served as a faculty member at the National Insurance Academy, Pune. He is a guest faculty at the Institute of Financial & Management Research, Chennai

in the area of risk management & insurance. He was also the Chairman of the committee appointed by the interim Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA) for prescribing norms, rules and regulations in the area of finance. He has also been a member of two other IRA committees on technical issues and investment matters, and Insurance Regulatory Information System. He was a member of FICCI's Reinsurance Sub-Committee, the Insurance Tariff Advisory Committee and the Advisory Committee on Finance of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority. He is currently a member of the Educational Advisory Council of the School of Management, SRM University, Tamil Nadu. He does not hold directorship or committee membership of any other company.

Anthony Ruys

Anthony Ruys joined the ITC Board as a representative of BAT on January 20, 2009. He holds a degree in commercial law from the University of Utrecht and a Master's degree from the Harvard Business School.

Ruys commenced his career with Unilever in 1974. During his long tenure with Unilever, he served at various senior positions, including that of marketing director and chairman of various subsidiary companies in the Netherlands, Colombia and Italy. In 1993, he joined Heineken as a member of its Executive Board, became Vice-Chairman in 1996 & Chairman in 2002 and remained in that position till 2005. In March 2006, he was appointed to the Board of BAT as a Non-Executive Director. Currently, Ruys also serves as Chairman on the Board of Trustees of Rijksmuseum, Aids Foundation and Madurodam (Miniature City).

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
Schiphol Group NV, NL* (Int. Airport)	Chairman
British American Tobacco p.l.c., UK*	Director
Lottomatica SpA, Italy*	Director
Janivo Holdings BV, NL*	Director

Committee Membership of other Companies: Nil

Basudeb Sen

Basudeb Sen has been on the Board of ITC since March 23, 1995, first as a nominee and then as a representative of the Unit Trust of India (UTI), and from July 28, 2000 in his individual capacity as a Non-Executive Independent Director. Sen has over 32 years of management experience in different areas of commercial banking, coal mining, development banking and investment management. He is an M.A. in Economics from the University of Calcutta and a Ph.D. from Indian Statistical Institute, besides being an alumnus of the Harvard Business School.

Sen is on the Academic Advisory Committee of the Calcutta Business School and also its Director. He has contributed several articles in academic / professional journals and financial papers on a wide range of issues related to management, economics, banking, financial markets and energy.

He has served as Chairman and Managing Director of the Industrial Investment Bank of India Limited and Executive Director of UTI. He has managed critical business responsibilities in various areas including strategic planning, risk management system, investment portfolio management and fund marketing & credit / project appraisal.

Sen has served as Chairman and / or Member of various working groups / committees set up by SEBI, RBI, Indian financial institutions and industry associations on such issues as consortium lending, corporate governance, institutional disinvestment, overseas investment by mutual funds, money markets and corporate debt restructuring. He has also served on the Boards of several companies in sectors like infrastructure, engineering, petrochemicals, electronics and financial services.

Other Directorships

Name of the Company	Position
South Asian Petrochem Limited	Director
Srei Venture Capital Limited	Director
Gujarat NRE Coke Limited	Director
Sumedha Fiscal Services Limited	Director
Mahanagar Gas Limited	Director
Ispat Industries Limited	Director

Notes:

- Other Directorships and Committee Memberships of Directors are as on 22nd May, 2009.
 - Other Directorships exclude Directorship in Indian Private Limited Companies, Membership of Managing Committees of Chambers of Commerce / Professional Bodies and Alternate Directorship.
 - Committee Memberships are in respect of Audit Committee and Investors Grievance Committee of Indian Public Limited Companies.
- * Denotes Foreign Company

Committee Membership of other Companies

Name of the Company	Committee	Position
Mahanagar Gas Limited	Audit Committee	Chairman
Gujarat NRE Coke Limited	Audit Committee	Member
South Asian Petrochem Limited	Shareholders' Grievance Committee	Member
	Audit Committee	Member

B. Vijayaraghavan

B. Vijayaraghavan joined the ITC Board as a Non-Executive Independent Director on November 25, 1996.

Vijayaraghavan was in the Indian Administrative Service from 1957 to 1993, when he retired in the rank of Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu. He has served as Secretary to the Tamil Nadu Government in the Public Works, Forests & Fisheries, Prohibition & Excise and Home departments. He has been the Chairman of the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Member - Board of Revenue and Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Tamil Nadu, Chairman and President - Tuticorin Alkali Chemicals and Fertilisers Limited, Chairman and Managing Director - State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu and Vigilance Commissioner & Commissioner for Administrative Reforms, Tamil Nadu. During this period, he had also chaired various government committees concerning forests, wildlife, environment and reform of sales tax laws and administration.

After his retirement from Government service, Vijayaraghavan was a Member of the Syndicates of Alagappa University and Bharathidasan University, Member of the Governing Council, Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History, Chairman, Madras Naturalists' Society, Member of the Committee for Economic Reforms, Jammu and Kashmir, Member of the Board of Trustees of the Indian Bank Mutual Fund and arbitrator for disputes between the public sector coal companies and the State Electricity Boards of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Chattisgarh. Vijayaraghavan is currently Chairman, Chennai Snake Park Trust. He does not hold directorship or committee membership of any other company.

Report on Corporate Governance

The Directors present the Company's Report on Corporate Governance.

ITC Limited has been one of the frontrunners in India to have put in place a formalised system of Corporate Governance.

THE COMPANY'S GOVERNANCE PHILOSOPHY

ITC defines Corporate Governance as a systemic process by which companies are directed and controlled to enhance their wealth-generating capacity. Since large corporations employ a vast quantum of societal resources, ITC believes that the governance process should ensure that these resources are utilised in a manner that meets stakeholders' aspirations and societal expectations. This belief is reflected in the Company's deep commitment to contribute to the "triple bottom line", namely the development, nurture and regeneration of the nation's economic, social and environmental capital.

ITC's Corporate Governance structure, systems and processes are based on two core principles:

- (i) Management must have the executive freedom to drive the enterprise forward without undue restraints, and
- (ii) This freedom of management should be exercised within a framework of effective accountability.

ITC believes that any meaningful policy on Corporate Governance must empower the executive management of the Company. At the same time, Governance must create a mechanism of checks and balances to ensure that the decision-making powers vested in the executive management are used with care and responsibility to meet stakeholders' aspirations and societal expectations.

From this definition and core principles of Corporate Governance emerge the cornerstones of ITC's governance philosophy, namely trusteeship, transparency, empowerment and accountability, control and ethical corporate citizenship. ITC believes that the practice of each of these creates the right corporate culture that fulfils the true purpose of Corporate Governance.

Trusteeship recognises that large corporations, which represent a coalition of interests, namely those of the shareholders, other providers of capital, business associates and employees, have both an economic and a social purpose, thereby casting the responsibility on the Board of Directors to protect and enhance shareholder value, as well as fulfil obligations to other stakeholders. Inherent in the concept of trusteeship is the responsibility to ensure equity, namely, that the rights of all shareholders, large or small, are protected.

Transparency means explaining the Company's policies and actions to those to whom it has responsibilities. Externally, this means maximum appropriate disclosures without jeopardising the Company's strategic interests and internally, this means openness in the Company's relationship with its employees and in the conduct of its business. ITC believes transparency enhances accountability.

Empowerment is a process of unleashing creativity and innovation throughout the organisation by truly vesting decision-making powers at the most appropriate levels and as close to the scene of action as feasible, thereby helping actualise the potential of its employees. Empowerment is an essential concomitant of ITC's first core principle of governance that management must have the freedom to drive the enterprise forward. ITC believes that empowerment combined with accountability provides an impetus to performance and improves effectiveness, thereby enhancing shareholder value.

Control ensures that freedom of management is exercised within a framework of checks and balances and is designed to prevent misuse of power, facilitate timely management of change and ensure effective management of risks. ITC believes that control is a necessary concomitant of its second core principle of governance that the freedom of management should be exercised within a framework of appropriate checks and balances.

Ethical Corporate Citizenship means setting exemplary standards of ethical behaviour, both internally within the organisation, as well as in external relationships. ITC believes that unethical behaviour corrupts organisational

The cornerstones of ITC's governance philosophy are trusteeship, transparency, empowerment and accountability, control and ethical corporate citizenship.

culture and undermines stakeholder value. Governance processes in ITC continuously reinforce and help realise the Company's belief in ethical corporate citizenship.

THE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The practice of Corporate Governance in ITC is at three interlinked levels:

Strategic supervision	by the Board of Directors
Strategic management	by the Corporate Management Committee
Executive management	by the Divisional / Strategic Business Unit (SBU) Chief Executive assisted by the respective Divisional / SBU Management Committee

The three-tier governance structure ensures that:

- (a) Strategic supervision (on behalf of the shareholders), being free from involvement in the task of strategic management of the Company, can be conducted by the Board with objectivity, thereby sharpening accountability of management;
- (b) Strategic management of the Company, uncluttered by the day-to-day tasks of executive management, remains focused and energised; and
- (c) Executive management of a Division or Business, free from collective strategic responsibilities for ITC as a whole, focuses on enhancing the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of the business.

The core roles of the key entities flow from this structure. The core roles, in turn, determine the core responsibilities of each entity. In order to discharge such responsibilities, each entity is empowered formally with requisite powers.

The structure, processes and practices of governance enable focus on the Corporate purpose while simultaneously facilitating effective management of the wider portfolio of businesses.

The Governance Document that sets out the structure, policies and practices of governance within the organisation is available on the Company's corporate website www.itcportal.com for general information.

ROLES OF VARIOUS ENTITIES

Board of Directors (Board): The primary role of the Board is that of trusteeship to protect and enhance shareholder value through strategic supervision of ITC,

its wholly owned subsidiaries and their wholly owned subsidiaries. As trustees, the Board ensures that the Company has clear goals relating to shareholder value and its growth. The Board sets strategic goals and seeks accountability for their fulfilment. The Board also provides direction and exercises appropriate control to ensure that the Company is managed in a manner that fulfils stakeholders' aspirations and societal expectations. The Board, as part and parcel of its functioning, also periodically reviews its role.

Corporate Management Committee (CMC): The primary role of the CMC is strategic management of the Company's businesses within Board approved direction / framework. The CMC operates under the strategic supervision and control of the Board.

Chairman: The Chairman of ITC is the Chief Executive of the Company. He is the Chairman of the Board and the CMC. His primary role is to provide leadership to the Board and the CMC for realising Company goals in accordance with the charter approved by the Board. He is responsible, inter alia, for the working of the Board and the CMC, for ensuring that all relevant issues are on the agenda and for ensuring that all Directors and CMC members are enabled and encouraged to play a full part in the activities of the Board and the CMC. He keeps the Board informed on all matters of importance. He is also responsible for the balance of membership of the Board, subject to Board and Shareholder approvals. He presides over General Meetings of Shareholders.

Divisional Management Committee (DMC) / SBU Management Committee (SBU MC): The primary role of the DMC / SBU MC is executive management of the Divisional / SBU business to realise tactical and strategic objectives in accordance with Board approved plan.

Executive Director: The Executive Directors, as members of the CMC, contribute to the strategic management of the Company's businesses within Board approved direction / framework. As Directors accountable to the Board for a business / corporate function, they assume overall responsibility for its strategic management, including its governance processes and top management effectiveness. As Directors accountable to the Board for a wholly owned subsidiary or its wholly owned subsidiary, they act as the custodians of ITC's interests and are responsible for their governance in accordance with the charter approved by the Board.

Report on Corporate Governance

Non-Executive Director: Non-Executive Directors, including Independent Directors, play a critical role in imparting balance to the Board processes by bringing an independent judgement on issues of strategy, performance, resources, standards of Company conduct etc.

Divisional / SBU CEO: The Divisional / SBU CEO is the Chief Operating Officer for a business with executive responsibility for its day-to-day operations and provides leadership to the DMC / SBU MC in its task of executive management of the business.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In terms of the Company's Corporate Governance Policy, all statutory and other significant and material information are placed before the Board to enable it to discharge its responsibility of strategic supervision of the Company as trustees of the Shareholders.

Composition

The ITC Board is a balanced Board, comprising Executive and Non-Executive Directors. The Non-Executive Directors include independent professionals. Executive Directors, including the Chairman, do not generally exceed one-third of the total strength of the Board.

The Governance Policy requires that the Non-Executive Directors be drawn from amongst eminent professionals with experience in business / finance / law / public enterprises. Directors are appointed / re-appointed with the approval of the Shareholders for a period of three to five years or a shorter duration in accordance with retirement guidelines as determined by the Board from time to time. All Directors are liable to retire by rotation unless otherwise approved by the Shareholders. One-third of the Directors who are liable to retire by rotation, retire every year and are eligible for re-election. In terms of the Articles of Association of the Company, the strength of the Board shall not be fewer than five nor more than eighteen. The present strength of the Board is thirteen, of which three are Executive Directors.

The following is the composition of the Board as on 31st March, 2009:

Category	No. of Directors	Percentage to total no. of Directors
Executive Directors	3	23
Non-Executive Independent Directors	8	62
Other Non-Executive Directors	2	15
Total	13	100

Director	Category	No. of other Directorship(s) ¹	No. of Membership(s) [including Chairmanship(s)] of Board Committees of other companies ²
Executive Directors			
Y. C. Deveshwar	Chairman	2	1
A. Singh		1	Nil
K. Vaidyanath		6	3 [all as Chairman]
Non-Executive Directors			
S. H. Khan	Independent Director	7	9 [including 5 as Chairman]
S. B. Mathur	Independent Director	11	5 [including 2 as Chairman]
P. B. Ramanujam	Independent Director	Nil	Nil
B. Sen	Independent Director	6	4 [including 1 as Chairman]
B. Vijayaraghavan	Independent Director	Nil	Nil
A. Bajjal	Independent Director - Representative of Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India as Investor	5	1
R. K. Kaul	Independent Director - Representative of General Insurers (Public Sector) Association of India as Investor	Nil	Nil
D. K. Mehrotra	Independent Director - Representative of Life Insurance Corporation of India as Investor	5	Nil
H. G. Powell ³		Nil	Nil
A. Ruys ⁴		Nil	Nil

1. Excludes Directorship in Indian Private Limited Companies & Foreign Companies, Membership of Managing Committees of Chambers of Commerce / Professional Bodies and Alternate Directorship.
2. Represents Membership / Chairmanship of Audit Committee and Investors Grievance Committee of Indian Public Limited Companies.
3. Appointed Director w.e.f. 7th May, 2008.
4. Appointed Director w.e.f. 20th January, 2009.

Note: Other Directorships and Committee Memberships of Directors are as on 22nd May, 2009.