

Mr. Satish Kumar Kaura is the Chairman & Managing Director of the Samtel Group. He founded the Group in 1973. Under his leadership, Samtel has evolved into a world-class manufacturer of high technology electronic display devices for televisions, avionics and professional applications. He has steered the Group to its current leadership position by relying on indigenously developed in-house technology.

Mr. Kaura is the Chairman of the Confederation of Indian Industry's Industrial Policy Committee and is a Fellow of the Indian National Academy of Engineering. He is also a member of Defence Research & Development Organization's Review Committee & Prime Minister's Scientific Advisory Council. In the past, he has been President of Electronic Components Industries Association and served as Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industry (Northern Region).

Mr. Kaura is the recipient of numerous awards and honors. He is the first recipient of Indian Institute of Technology's (Kanpur) Distinguished Alumni Award (1989). The Electronic Industries Association of India and Consumer Electronics & TV Manufacturers' Association have honored him with their 'Electronics Man of the Year' awards. In 1994, HRH Prince Phillip awarded Mr. Kaura the Care for Nature Award in recognition for his concerns for environment protection. The Lucknow Management Association honored him with the Uttar Pradesh Transformational Leadership Award in 2002, for his contribution in strengthening the economy of the state. The Society for Information Display conferred a Special Recognition Award in 2005 for his outstanding entrepreneurial leadership in the display industry in India.

Mr. Kaura was awarded the Padma Shri by the Government of India in 2004 for his distinguished services to the nation, in the field of Science and Engineering.

Mr. Kaura holds an engineering degree from the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur and a Masters Degree in Electronics, from Carleton University, Canada.