



**Global IPV6 Forum Confers Shri R M Agarwal with New Internet IPV6 Hall of Fame**

**Bengaluru-** Luxembourg based global IPv6 (Internet Protocol Version 6) Forum nominated Shri R M Agarwal, CMD, ITI Limited to New Internet IPv6 Hall of Fame for 2020. Shri Agarwal has been inducted to this remarkable platform for his exemplary contributions for proliferation of IPv6 usage among various stakeholders leading to effective deployment of IPv6 in India.

On being inducted into hall of fame for 2020 at a virtual launch event of Bharat IPV6 forum, **Shri R M Agarwal**, said, “I am very delighted and proud for being nominated and selected among the IPv6 experts across the world. I am happy that the contributions made for the IPv4 to IPv6 migration in the country by preparing both **version 1 & version 2** of the National IPv6 Deployment Roadmap have been considered for the nomination.

“With 6 billion world population, 100 billion Internet connections expected by 2023, IoT, 5G, Seamless mobility etc, the need for unlimited IP Address space to connect everyone and everything, can only be addressed by IPv6. India was in the bottom of the ladder in IPv6 readiness a decade ago. With the proactive initiatives of DoT and Government of India, we are today in the leading position in the implementation for IPv6. In order to fast forward the Digital India initiative of Hon’ble Prime Minister of India, we as a PSU under DoT are committed to support the Government measures in the future proliferation of IPv6 among the various stakeholders like Government organisations, Service Providers, Content & Application Providers, Equipment manufacturers, Cloud Service Providers, Data Centres etc “, he further added.

Shri. Satya N Gupta, Chairman, IPv6 Council, in his welcome address lauded the IPv6 groundwork executed by DoT and said that the Road Map documents authored by Shri. Agarwal will be the guiding ‘*Magna Carta*’ for IPv6 transition in India. Dr. Latif Ladid, Global Chair, New Internet & Founder, IPV6 Forum expressed that good work has been done by Government of India through DoT has led to the present rise of IPv6 in India.

Shri. Anil Kumar Jain, CEO, NIXI categorically mentioned that the good work started by DOT will be carried forward. He also announced via virtual platform that free IPv6 training will be provided to interested stakeholders and NIXI will prepare an IPv6 index as a ready reckoner.

The 2020 IPv6 Hall of Fame is a balanced mix of IPv6 Experts, IPv6 Evangelists, IPv6 Large-scale Deployers, IPv6 Trainers and IPv6 Ready Logo Program experts. IPv6 Forum and its members are responsible to promote deployment and coordinated uptake of the new Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) with support from all the stakeholders like Government organizations, industry, education, research communities enabling equitable access to technology and knowledge. The names, pictures and bios of the 2020 IPv6 Hall of Famers can be viewed on the web site: <http://www.ipv6halloffame.org/>

### **About IPv6 Forum**

The IPv6 Forum is a world-wide consortium of international Internet service providers (ISPs) and National Research & Education Networks (NRENs), with a mission to promote IPv6 by improving market and user awareness, creating a quality and secure New Generation Internet and allowing world-wide equitable access to knowledge and technology. The key focus of the IPv6 Forum today is to provide technical guidance for the deployment of IPv6. IPv6 Summits are organized by the IPv6 Forum and staged in various locations around the world to provide industry and market with the best available information on this rapidly advancing technology.

### **About ITI**

ITI Limited, country's premier telecom company and multi-unit central public sector undertaking is a total solutions provider in telecommunications segment. The company has state-of-art manufacturing facilities in six locations (Bengaluru, Naini, Raebareli, Mankapur, Srinagar and Palakkad) along with an in-house R&D centre in Bengaluru and marketing, sales & projects (MSP) offices spread across the country. The Company offers complete range of telecom products covering the whole spectrum of switching, Transmission, Access and subscriber premises equipment. Besides offering the latest telecom solutions and customized support to a variety of business, ITI has dedicated Network System Unit for carrying out installation and commissioning of equipment and for undertaking turnkey Projects. ITI is focused on manufacturing of diversified products in defence and Railway Sectors and the manufacturing of solar equipment, NGN products, GPON, LED Lighting Systems, Optical products, PMP Microwave along with other allied products like HDPE, OFC, LI-ION Batteries, Smart Cards, Defense Equipment, Wi-Fi etc. The company is also consolidating more of its diversifications into Defense, IOT, E-Governance, IT projects and Services sector to gain competitive edge. The company is also successfully running state-of-art Data Centre at Bengaluru and offering its services to government institutions/departments, banks etc.