

Education Background:

After completing my schooling, my initial aim was to become a Physicist and hence I opted for majoring in Physics from Calcutta University. However, due to untimely death of my father, who happened to be a renowned consultant in the HVAC&R field in the 70s and 80s, I had to drift apart from my original plan and pursue engineering as a career and completed Mechanical Engineering from AMIE.

Professional Background:

After the death of my father, for a short period of time I had to manage his consultancy business with the help of a senior from the industryto complete his commitments as I was still pursuing my Physics graduation. Later I joined Aircon India, a dealer of Carrier involved in unitary machine sales and service as General Manager. With support from my colleagues, I spearheaded the dealership to grow in leaps and bounds, spreading its wings from Kolkata to the entire eastern region and becoming one of the top five dealers of Carrier in the country in terms of revenue and quality of

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Joining ISHRAE:

Joining ISHRAE was more by default than by design. Way back in 1998 an industry colleague cum friend insisted that I should join ISHRAE if I wish to upskill myself with the latest advancements in the field of HVACR. Without having much knowledge about ISHRAE and based on my colleague cum friend's recommendations, I reluctantly signed up for ISHRAE membership. During the initial years my engagement with ISHRAE was limited to participating in some seminars and workshops conducted by the chapter. However, during these engagements I could fathom out that this could be a great platform not only to improve my skills and knowledge but also to interact and network with industry stalwarts under one roof. This understanding encouraged me to volunteer myself in various activities conducted by the chapter and soon I was inducted as a CWC member of my chapter. That was the beginning in 2006 from where the society groomed me and helped me to reach greater heights to lead the society as National President in the year 2021-22 after serving the society in various other capacities between 2006 and then.

Benefits from ISHRAE:

The benefits are so many that it's not easy to put it in the right perspective in few words! It is a plethora of knowledge in building services industry from where one can keep learning for lifelong. Because of its democratic approach and respect for the volunteers, it has been able to attract many who selflessly and relentlessly shares their wisdom and knowledge enabling to build an unmatchable ecosystem from where an individual can gain immensely, which I have. It helped me sharpen my communication skills, improve my leadership qualities, given me immense opportunity to network with great personalities of the industry which has helped me to become a more responsible professional and taught me to deliver with humility. I have learnt teamwork and team building from ISHRAE and it has certainly helped me to improve my ability to convince people without commanding them. Volunteering for ISHRAE is fun as I have made many friends whose friendship I will cherish lifelong. It has taken me to places across India giving me opportunity to dwell and mix with the various traditions and cultures of this great country enriching my personal experience. Idon't think I would have been what I am, without ISHRAE.

Describe ISHRAE in one line:

It is very difficult to describe ISHRAE in one line given its wide variety of activities. However, if I must do so, I will say – ISHRAE is a well-structured society leading in Technical Knowledge dissemination in the field of HVAC&R and is passionately driving the goals of Sustainability for building a better world for the future generations.

Message to the new and young ISHRAE members:

Volunteer yourselves to serve ISHRAE and it will certainly benefit you immensely in developing your technical knowledge, leadership skills and inclusive approach towards team building, which in turn