

**Biographical Sketch
of
Mr. Naveen Jindal**



Member of Parliament ** Sportsman ** Industrialist

Mr. Naveen Jindal is a Member of Parliament, a successful entrepreneur, a sports enthusiast, the Chancellor of the O.P. Jindal Global University and a family man. He is the youngest son of the steel visionary and former Minister of Power in the government of Haryana, India, Shri. O.P. Jindal. At a very young age, he transformed Jindal Steel & Power Limited (JSPL), a moderately performing company in the steel sector, into a star performer. JSPL is a part of the about US\$ 15 billion diversified O.P. Jindal Group, which is the fourth largest business entity in India. After consolidating its position as a leading player in the steel, power, mining and infrastructure sectors domestically, JSPL has now diversified into the oil & gas sector and internationally with operations in Africa, Bolivia, Oman, Australia, Mongolia, Indonesia and Georgia.

Born on March 9, 1970, Shri Naveen Jindal has done his schooling from Delhi Public School, New Delhi. He graduated in Commerce from Hans Raj College, University of Delhi in 1990 and has done his MBA from the University of Texas at Dallas, USA in 1992.

Mr. Jindal started active participation in politics during his college days. He was the **President** of the Student Government and recipient of the '*Student Leader of the Year Award*' - the highest student award at the University of Texas at Dallas.

In recognition of Mr. Jindal's exceptional distinction in the fields of entrepreneurship and public service, unqualified reputation for honesty, personal integrity and high standards of personal and professional character, the University of Texas at Dallas has named its school of management in his name. It has now been christened as Naveen Jindal School of Management. The recognition has also led to the establishment of the Naveen Jindal Institute for Indo-American Business Studies.

After returning to India, Mr. Naveen Jindal started managing his father's political activities and eventually followed his footsteps to join national politics. Mr. Naveen Jindal got elected to the Indian Parliament with a big margin in 2004 from the Kurukshetra Parliamentary Constituency in the state of Haryana, India on the ticket of the largest and the oldest political party, the Indian National Congress (INC). He repeated his performance in the subsequent election in 2009 and returned to Parliament with an impressive victory.

Weeding out corruption, stabilizing population, women empowerment, promoting a clean environment and providing health and educational facilities in the country top his agenda. He wants to incorporate the best practices of business management in politics. He strongly feels it's all about managing resources and people.

After a decade long legal battle and a relentless campaign initiated by Mr. Naveen Jindal on behalf of the people of India -- to give them the right to hoist the National Flag publically on all days with honor and dignity -- the Hon'ble Supreme Court gave the landmark judgment on 23rd January 2004 allowing citizens to fly the Tiranga with respect, dignity and honour thus making it a fundamental right of every citizen. The decision prompted the Cabinet to amend the National Flag Code.

In the year 2009, he also campaigned for and got a favorable ruling from the Ministry of Home Affairs on 22nd December, for letting the monumental flags be flown at night with appropriate illumination.

Mr. Naveen Jindal has set up and hoisted the country's highest flag in Kaithal and Ladwa (Kurukshetra), Palwal, Hissar, Kurukshetra, Gurgaon and Sonapat in Haryana, Raigarh in Chhattisgarh and Angul in Orissa among others. The flag hoisted are at a height of more than 100 and 206 feet. More than 20 districts in the country have these monumental flags till date.

Mr. Jindal's proposal to the Rules Committee of Lok Sabha to allow the Members of the Lok Sabha to wear the National Flag Lapel while seated in the Parliament was accepted on 18th February, 2010 by the committee.

Mr. Jindal took yet another initiative to ensure that the ban on smoking is implemented in the most hallowed institution of the country – The Central Hall of the Parliament.

He was instrumental in getting acceptance of the Indian currency at Duty Free Shops at International Airports. He also got the spending limit at Duty Free shops enhanced from Rs. 5000 to Rs. 7500.

He draws a lot of inspiration and courage from his revered father, Late Sh. O P Jindal and Smt. Sonia Gandhi, President of the Indian National Congress.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS

Mr. Naveen Jindal is a national record holder in skeet shooting. The Indian Shooting Team, under his captaincy, won a Silver medal in the South Asian Federation Games, April 2004, in Pakistan. He has also represented the country in the Asian games held in Busan, South Korea in 2002. Besides winning numerous medals in shooting at national and international levels, Mr. Jindal has also excelled in Polo and JSPL's Polo team has won several laurels under his captaincy. He was also a part of the Haryana shooting team that won the Gold medal at the 54th National shooting Championship competition (Big Bore) in the civilian category held at Gurgaon in May 2011.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

Mr. Naveen Jindal is the **Chairman and Managing Director** of **Jindal Steel & Power Limited (JSPL)** which is one of the most efficiently managed steel companies in the world. The company is a part of the about US \$ 15 Billion O.P. Jindal Group. The company has the world's largest coal-based sponge iron capacity and has established a Rail & Universal Beam Mill, which is manufacturing the world's longest 121 meter rails and parallel flange beams & columns in large sizes for the first time in India.

Mr. Jindal is the Chairman of Jindal Power Limited, which is running the 1,000 MW O. P. Jindal Thermal Power Plant at Raigarh, Chhattisgarh.

Mr. Jindal has been ranked as India's Best CEO by the BT-INSEAD-HBR Study of the top value creators for the period 1995 to 2011 by the Business Today.

Mr. Jindal has also been ranked among the top ten of India Inc's Most Powerful CEO'S 2011 list by a survey conducted by IMRB for Economic Times-Corporate Dossier.

Mr. Jindal recently won the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year award in the field of Energy and Infrastructure.

JSPL has been ranked the Second Highest Value Creator in the World by the prestigious Boston Consulting Group and first in the Mining and Materials industry category.

Jindal Steel & Power Limited was awarded the Forbes Asia's 'Fabulous 50' international award in 2009 & 2010.

Jindal Steel & Power Limited was awarded the CNBC's Most Promising Entrant into the Big League at IBLA (Indian business Leaders Award) 2009.

Under the able leadership of Mr. Naveen Jindal, JSPL was rated as the highest wealth creator in the country for the period 2005-09 and was also rated among India's 50 best Blue Chip companies by Dalal Street journal.

Mr. Naveen Jindal was listed among 25 Indians who were part of the annual list of 250 Global Young Leaders in 2007 prepared by the Geneva-based World Economic Forum (WEF).

Mr. Jindal has been awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award for 2010 by the University of Texas at Dallas for his contribution to public service, being a responsible corporate citizen and guiding his company to become a global player.

Mr. Naveen Jindal is currently:

- Member, Standing Committee on Home Affairs
- Member, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Defence

- Special Invitee, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
- Special Invitee, Consultative Committee, Ministry of Civil Aviation
- Convener, Parliamentary Forum on Children
- Member, Kurukshetra Development Board

He and his wife Shallu along with their children, Venkatesh and Yashasvini, reside in Delhi where they are also active in the local community and in supporting education and the performing arts.