PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE FATHER OF INDIA’s TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY

Mr F.C. Kohli popularly known as the father of India’s technology industry and Past Chairman of NASSCOM passed away today, leaving behind a rich legacy of having laid the strong foundation of the USD190 billion IT industry in India. NASSCOM and all its members are deeply saddened by this loss and offer their sincere condolences to the family.

Mr Kohli was the visionary leader who foresaw the opportunity of India in technology services and built TCS many decades back when almost nothing existed in the tech sector in India. His leadership and passion over the decades played a key role in helping establish India as a trusted and quality partner for global corporations, evangelise the importance of technology adoption for India, push for greater research in academic institutions, bring awareness on the importance of local language and hardware industry in India.

As Chairman of NASSCOM in 1994-95, Mr Kohli led the industry and NASSCOM to build global partnerships in key markets, showcase the opportunity for IT services from India and build a culture of collaboration in the industry members. His engagement with NASSCOM continued through the years providing guidance and support on key industry issues and opportunities.

We salute his contribution to the industry and will continue to build on his vision for the industry.

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