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Ashish is the MD & CEO of BSE (Bombay Stock Exchange), the first stock exchange of Asia. He is one of the founders of India's National Stock Exchange ("NSE") where he worked from 1992 to 2000. He is best known as the father of modern financial derivatives in India due to his work at NSE. He was instrumental in setting up India's first fully automated screen based trading system and first commercial satellite communications network. He also created several path breaking frameworks including Nifty index, NSE certifications in financial markets etc.

From 2000 to 2009, he worked as the President and Chief Information Officer of Reliance group and was also the CEO of the cricket team Mumbai Indians in its formative years. He also handled additional responsibilities as the Head, Corporate Communications for Reliance Group from 2005 – 2006.

He joined BSE as Deputy CEO in 2009 and was appointed as CEO in 2012. He is credited with reviving BSE including making it the fastest Exchange in the World with less than 6 microseconds response time, introduction of Mobile Trading first time in India, state of the art online real time surveillance system, introduction of several market leading products like SME, Currencies, Mutual Funds, Corporate Bonds distribution, Offer for Sale, Offer to buy etc. He was also instrumental in setting up India's First International Exchange "India International Exchange", which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi in January 2017 at Gandhinagar, Gift City. He has successfully completed the IPO of BSE which was pending for over 10 years. BSE IPO was oversubscribed 51 times with close to 12 lakh applications in January 2017.

Ashish has won several International and Indian awards including:

1. Distinguished Alumnus Award 2016 - IIM Calcutta
2. CEO of the Year, Diamond Sabre Awards 2015, Hong Kong
3. Indian Business Leader of the Year, Horasis Interlaken/Switzerland 2015
4. RH Patil Award for Excellence in Financial Services, June 2015
5. Distinguished Alumnus Award, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, 2014
6. Best CEO in the Financial Markets in the Asia Pacific by the Asian Banker, 2014
7. Zee Business Awards- Special contribution in Commodities and Capital Market, 2013
8. TOP 50 CIOs, Information Week, US, 2009

He holds a B Tech in Mechanical Engineering from IIT Bombay and a PGDM from IIM Kolkata. He is a Distinguished Visiting professor at Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada.

Due to his work in various fields spanning a quarter of a century, he is considered one of the foremost experts in the fields of Information Technology, Finance, Markets, Micro structure of markets, cricket, telecommunications, organized retail, Oil & Gas refining and Indian social issues.

He is the Chairperson on the Board of Governors (BoGs) of the National Institute of Technology (NIT) Manipur and an Independent Director of the ICSI Insolvency Professionals Agency, a 100% subsidiary company of The Institute of Company Secretaries of India. He is the Chairman of South Asian

Federation of Exchanges (SAFE), a forum of 28 member entities from the SAARC region and neighbouring countries which aims to provide platform to share, exchange and promote the technologies, experiences for the rapid growth and development of capital markets and regional as well as global integration. He is a member of the Advisory Committee of Ministry of Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME). He is an Advisor to the Technical Evaluation Committee set up by the Department of Posts for Postal Bank and also a part of several other committees of World Federation of Exchanges ("WFE"), Government of India ("GOI"), Reserve Bank of India ("RBI"), Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI"), Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), Confederation of Indian Industry ("CII"), Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry ("FICCI"), Indian Merchants Chamber ("IMC"), India UK council ("UKIBC") etc. He is also a Member of the Advisory Committee of the proposed Mumbai University School of Economics and Public Policy. He is also associated with several NGOs and education institutions. His quotes and writings have been published in various newspapers, magazines and journals in India and abroad.