

# Atul Punj



**Atul Punj is the Chairman and Managing Director of Punj Lloyd**, a diversified conglomerate providing engineering and construction services in Energy and Infrastructure, with interests in manufacturing and defence sectors. Headquartered in India, Punj Lloyd has operations spread across the Middle East, the Caspian, Asia Pacific, Africa, South Asia, China and Europe.

Mr Punj's global vision for the Group led him to cross boundaries and establish international offices in 18 countries and gain project experience worldwide. The 6500 strong multicultural workforce underlines his focused approach to harness diversity within the organisation. This rich amalgamation of diverse skill sets and cultures has resulted in a powerful intellectual work environment, encouraging dynamic ideas and innovative thinking.

Through a combination of strategic acquisitions and joint ventures, he led the Group to enhance its scale and competitive position to acquire a leadership position in the industry with an impressive list of international and national clients.

Mr Punj can be credited with getting the full technology of Small Arms Manufacturing to India through a joint venture of Punj Lloyd with IWI, which will provide the country access to tried and tested combat weapons, made in India. Mr Punj has been advocating the measures that need to be taken for increasing National Security.

Be it exploring multiple opportunities for the Group in defence or capitalising on the emerging nuclear renaissance, Mr Punj has been instrumental in consolidating Group's diverse businesses.

To address the skill gap in the industry, Mr Punj introduced the 'Punj Lloyd Institute of Infrastructure' at the Indian School of Business (ISB) campus at Mohali.

Mr Punj was awarded the Ernst & Young 'Entrepreneur of the Year 2007' in the Infrastructure & Construction category. CNBC TV 18 conferred the 'First Generation Entrepreneur of the Year' award to Mr Punj. Under his focus on quality construction, Punj Lloyd was felicitated by Economic Times in 2017. The Group is globally listed in ENR Ranking of Top 225 International Contractors, Top 225 Global Contractors and Top 200 Design Firms, every year.

Atul Punj is based in New Delhi and is actively involved with many trade bodies. With his exhaustive experience of global geographies and the energy sector, Atul Punj has also served as the President of International Pipe Line and Offshore Contractors Association (IPLOCA), headquartered in Switzerland from 2015-16. Representing India at various international forums, Atul Punj is the Chairman of CII National Committee on Construction and a Member of the CII National Council. He was also the Founder Chairman of Samena Capital.

Atul Punj enjoys swimming and skiing. A voracious reader, he enjoys non-fiction.