



# District Leader

## Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **C. Prathapmohan Nair**

Candidate's Office: **Program Quality Director** District Number: **230**

Toastmasters member since: **August 1st, 2020**

### Education:

B. Tech - Civil Engineering - College of Engineering, Trivandrum, India.  
M. T. P. - Town and Country Planning - School of Architecture and Planning, Anna University, Chennai, India.  
E. P. B. M. - Executive Program In Business Management - IIM, Calcutta, India.  
P. G. D. B. A - Business Administration - Pondicherry University, Pondicherry, India.  
Certified Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Specialist - Loughborough University, UK and IP3, USA).  
Certified ESG Specialist - Bureau Veritas.

### Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Club Vice President - Public Relations - Kochi Club - July 2021 to June 2022.  
Club Vice President Education - Kochi Club - July 2022 to June 2023.  
Area Director - Division H - Area - 04 - District 121 - July 2022 to June 2023.  
Club Treasurer - Kerala Leaders Advanced Toastmasters - July 2023 to June 2024.  
Club Secretary - Mathrumalayalam Toastmasters Club - July 2023 to June 2024.  
Division Director - Division J - District 121 - July 2023 to June 2024.  
Club President - Mathrumalayalam Toastmasters Club - July 2024 to June 2025.  
Administration Manager - District 121 - July 2024 to June 2025.  
Sergeant at Arms - Mathrumalayalam Toastmasters Club - July 2025 to date.  
Club Growth Director - District 121 - July 2025 to date.

### Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Pathways Mentor Program (PAMENTORPGM) - November 18, 2021 - Kochi Club.  
Aurigo India Toastmasters Club (CB-07989601) - Mentor Complete - September 28, 2022.  
Petrocil Toastmasters Club (CB-28676527) - Sponsor Complete - June 19, 2023.  
Distinguished Toastmaster (DTMPW) - July 12, 2023 - Kochi Club.  
Petrocil Varkala Toastmasters Club (CB-28676709) - Sponsor Pending Approval - July 31, 2023.  
CXO Kochi Toastmasters Club (CB-28676018) - Mentor Pending Approval - September 13, 2023.  
Outstanding Toastmaster, District 121 - PY 2023-24.  
V Guard Toastmasters Club (CB-28677516) - Sponsor Complete - April 17, 2024.

### Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

An Engineer-Manager by education and a Management Consultant by practice, I have extensive experience in planning, policy development, project financing and management of climate finance infrastructure projects. Currently, I am working as International Consultant with UN (Sustainability and Green Financing) and has previously worked in ADB and World Bank projects. My role is to lead in planning, road maps, pipeline identification, policy formulation, outreach, technical / transaction advisory, commercial viability, structuring, financing, risk assessment, institutionalization, monitoring and evaluation (M&E), gender, and capacity building to create a congenial environment for project development and implementation. Additionally, I contribute as an educator in infrastructure finance and sustainability, mentoring and shaping future engineers and managers in this critical domain.

My extensive experience aligns closely with Toastmasters leadership principles and my role as a District Leader. My expertise in strategy, planning, institutionalization, and capacity building has been instrumental in driving complex projects across sectors, fostering collaboration among diverse stakeholders, and leading high-impact initiatives. Toastmasters emphasizes communication, leadership, and strategic vision—skills I've honed while managing international programs, conducting outreach, and building consensus. As a District Leader, I leverage these capabilities to inspire, guide, connect with people and empower teams to achieve their goals effectively and sustainably, fostering a culture of excellence and growth.

### What experience do you have in strategic planning?

My experience in strategic planning encompasses multiple dimensions, in development and management of projects. As an Engineer, Planner and Manager, I have led the formulation of strategies, roadmaps, and policy frameworks for complex infrastructure and technology initiatives across South Asia Pacific. I have planned and executed end-to-end strategies for project pipelines, climate finance, ESG integration, and institutional capacity building. Notably, I contributed to Tamil Nadu's Vision 2023, Kerala's Catalyzing Infrastructure Strategy, and Bangladesh's Plan 2025, ensuring alignment with development goals and stakeholder priorities.

In addition, I have developed business plans, legislative frameworks, and financial models that balance viability with sustainability. My strategic approach includes conducting risk assessments, stakeholder engagement, and feasibility studies to bridge gaps and enable seamless implementation. Through my work with international organizations like the UN-CCD, ADB, and World Bank, I have successfully strategized large-scale projects in sectors like transport, energy, climate, urban development, and digital technology, while ensuring alignment with global best practices, climate resilience, and sustainability goals.

### What experience do you have in the area of finance?

My experience in finance is firmly grounded in my role as a Certified PPP Specialist and International Consultant, where I have managed the financial aspects of complex infrastructure and technology projects across diverse sectors. I bring extensive expertise in project finance, financial modeling, and transaction advisory, working with international development organizations.

I have spearheaded the development of investment plans, viability assessments, and structuring of financing models to attract private and public investments. This includes preparation of feasibility studies, financial appraisals and cost-benefit analyses to support decision making for high-impact initiatives. These experiences have provided me with a strong foundation in financial planning, risk management, and investment strategies, enabling me to ensure the successful execution of projects with sustainable and impactful outcomes.

## What experience do you have in developing procedures?

I have significant experience in developing procedures, particularly in the areas of policy formulation, project implementation, and institutional capacity building within the infrastructure and technology sectors. In an advisory role to the government, I have designed and institutionalized frameworks, guidelines, and standard operating procedures (SOPs) to streamline processes and ensure alignment with best practices and regulatory requirements.

Key highlights of my experiences include:

- i. Policy and Framework Development: I have contributed to the creation of comprehensive PPP policies, Acts, and Rules in regions including South-Asia Pacific ensuring clear and actionable procedures for project implementation.
- ii. Operational Guidelines: I have developed step-by-step procedures for project appraisal, procurement, financial structuring, risk management, and monitoring and evaluation (M&E) to ensure transparency and efficiency across project life-cycles.
- iii. Institutional Procedures: I played a key role in setting up institutional mechanisms and workflows for PPP project approval, stakeholder coordination, and transaction management, which have been adopted at national and regional levels.
- iv. Capacity Building: I have designed training modules and outreach programs that include procedural guidelines for government agencies, private sector participants, and other stakeholders to facilitate effective project execution.

Through my work with international development organizations, I have consistently developed and refined procedures tailored to the unique needs of each project, ensuring their successful implementation and long-term sustainability.

## What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

My leadership roles in Toastmasters have been a transformative journey, shaping my skills in communication, goal-setting, empowerment, collaboration, and adaptability. These experiences ingrained Toastmasters' core values—integrity, respect, service, and excellence - into my leadership approach.

Integrity became the foundation of my leadership style, emphasizing transparency, fairness, and accountability. I learned that fostering trust through ethical decision-making and open communication strengthens collaboration. Respect for diverse perspectives taught me the value of active listening and empathy in building unity within teams. Service highlighted that leadership is about empowering others to grow and succeed. By supporting team members and creating opportunities for development, I embraced selfless and purpose-driven leadership. Striving for excellence underscored the importance of setting high standards, leading by example, and inspiring others to achieve their potential.

These lessons have honed my ability to inspire, adapt, and guide teams toward shared goals while fostering trust and collaboration. My Toastmasters journey continues to shape my leadership style, enabling me to create meaningful impact within organizations and communities.

## Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I want to serve as a District Leader because I believe in the transformative power of Toastmasters and its ability to shape individuals into confident communicators and effective leaders. My goal is to extend Toastmaster's reach beyond its traditional boundaries and bring its benefits to those who need it most - communities, organizations, and individuals who may not yet be aware of this life-changing platform.

I envision Toastmasters becoming a more popular name in this part of the world, much like international service organizations, recognized for its profound impact on personal and professional development. By expanding our reach and creating opportunities for engagement beyond club meetings, we can connect with under-served groups, corporate sectors, and educational institutions, ensuring that everyone has access to this invaluable resource.

In these dynamic and challenging times, as a District Leader, I will use my ability to strategize, lead, and connect with diverse audiences to cultivate a thriving community of growth and excellence. Just as I have worked to create sustainable, scalable solutions in the professional sphere, I aim to foster a culture of effective communication, leadership development, and inclusive collaboration within Toastmasters, ensuring the organization continues to have a meaningful and lasting impact on its members and communities.

## In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

The District mission's major objectives are to promote Toastmaster's core values of leadership, communication, and personal development while expanding its reach and impact within the community. Achieving these objectives requires a multi-faceted approach that includes innovative ideas, strategic partnerships, and proactive engagement with both members and external organizations.

A key objective of the mission is to expand Toastmasters visibility and accessibility. To achieve this, I would focus on fostering stronger connections with business organizations, and community groups. By offering tailored programs and workshops that align with industry needs we can attract new members and create a pipeline for future leaders. I would also increase member engagement through public events such as education fests, leadership summits and marathons, in partnership with local business communities. Enhancing our social media presence through targeted campaigns and success stories will help raise awareness and build a sense of community.

By focusing on innovation, fostering strategic partnerships, and strengthening our presence both on-line and off-line, I believe we can achieve the District mission's objectives. These efforts will not only expand Toastmasters impact but also inspire individuals to embrace the Toastmasters journey as a pathway to personal and professional excellence.

## Additional information about yourself:

1. Professor of Practice and Mentor in Real Estate and Infrastructure Finance Program, Indian Institute of Infrastructure and Construction, Kerala.
2. Co-Teaching - Rajagiri Business School, Kerala.
3. Resource Person in Sustainability, Project Finance, Green Financing, Infrastructure Development, etc.
4. Former Chief Operating Officer of Kerala Government Skill Development Mission (Kerala Academy for Skill Excellence).
5. Corporate Trainer, Keynote Speaker, Panelist and Moderator in various forums of repute.
6. Guinness Record (Group).