

Short profile of Prof V Ramgopal Rao.

Prof. V. Ramgopal Rao, Vice Chancellor of BITS Pilani campuses since 2023, previously served as IIT Delhi's Director (2016-2021) and as a Chair Professor for Nanoelectronics at both IIT Bombay and IIT Delhi. An internationally acclaimed Nanoelectronics researcher, he has published over 500 papers and holds 50 patents, including 20 issued US patents, with 15 licensed for commercialization. His group's joint IP with semiconductor industries is used in millions of ICs globally. Prof. Rao co-founded two successful deep technology startups, Nanosniff and Soilsens, at IIT Bombay. He has been elected Fellow of multiple prestigious academies and supervised 53 Ph.D. graduates. Prof. Rao has received over 40 awards and honors, both in India and abroad, including 3 honorary doctorates. He chairs various government of India committees on education and research matters.