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Responsible for Sustainable Development for Asia-Pacific region using ICTs to create Digital Economies through Digital Transformation serving ITU Member States, Sector Members and Academia.

Mr. Sharma assisted countries in migration from legacy networks to Next Generation Networks, Conformance and Interoperability, Type Approval, Interactive Terrestrial Transmission Map, National Broadband Policy Frameworks and Wireless Broadband Master Plans, IOT, IMT/5G and bridging the standardization gap. He is also focal point for Cybersecurity, developing national cybersecurity strategies, establishment of CIRT and Child Online Protection (COP). Undertaken extensive cross sectoral work on e-health, e-agriculture.

Mr. Sharma also worked on Digital Inclusion including developing Policy Framework on ICT for Persons with Disability (accessibility) and ICT for empowerment of women and development of Digital Skills and Innovation. He also assisted countries on Emergency Communications Framework and network restoration. Responsible for private sector and academia membership and works closely with several UN/ International agencies including UNESCAP, UNODC, INTERPOL, UNICEF, UNESCO, WHO, FAO, APT, APNIC and academia such as Oxford University fostering cross sectoral collaboration.

Prior to ITU, Mr. Sharma worked as Advisor, Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC), Malaysia, General Manager, Celcom, Malaysia and Director, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI). Mr. Sharma has extensive experience in Television and Radio broadcasting. Mr. Sharma holds MBA in Telecom Management and Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communications (Honors).