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Symbol of Great Achievement, Success, and Determination

Dr. Faruk Gulam Patel alias Faruk KP (CMDKP Group) – Inspiring journey from working in London Cafe' to becoming a multi-millionaire Business Tycoon and Well-Liked Entrepreneur in India



Dr. Faruk Gulam Patel is the Founder, Chairman, and Managing Director of KP Group, one of the key players in the solar and wind power sector in India and now opening doors for an international market.

Dr. Faruk Gulam Patel, the visionary man, captured headlines locally to globally for being conferred with an honorary doctorate by the American East Coast University for his innovation, talent, and creative management work in the field of renewable energy.

Dr. Faruk was born in Saladara village (Grandfather's House), in Bharuch district, Gujarat, India to proud parents Gulam Patel and Rashidaben. He grew up in a lower-middle-class family where his father worked as a bus conductor for GSRTC (Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation). In the early days, the family lived in Tralsa Kothi village, of Bharuch district, but in 1974 the family shifted to Surat City, Gujarat. Dr. Faruk had his initial education in Surat, at Municipal Corporation School, where his talent was spotted by his school teacher Shantaben, who encouraged his mother to go to VD Desai Vadiwala School, where he started his remaining studies from 5th standard. In order to improve the family's financial condition, he moved to Bombay. During struggling period, after schooling, he worked at an optician store, a cloth store, also to try exports-imports he

went to Mumbai, but his bigger vision and plans couldn't fit in. He also went to mantra to learn more about textiles, but his ambitiousness to do something big drove him to UK where he worked at a Pizza store.

After spending two years abroad, he flew back to Surat in 1993 and started carting business. But being an ambitious person with a bigger vision in 1994, he started KP Group with a capital of Rs 1 lakh. It was the turning point of Dr. Patel's journey. Going ahead in 2001 he started KP Buildcon Pvt. Ltd. and marked his journey into Telecommunication Industry. Recognizing the future of communication and the increasing demand for communication towers, he made the strategic decision to expand his business across 16 states in India. Building on his visionary mindset, after years of success, he saw the importance of diversification and ventured into the renewable energy sector. Dr. Faruk Patel's vision and team's hard work has today resulted in two companies; KPI Green Energy Limited (Solar Vertical) and KP Energy Limited (Wind Vertical) being listed in the stock markets, with a combined portfolio of 2.2+GW renewable energy and ~4000+ Crores of market capitalization as on 3rd July 2023. Under Dr. Faruk's leadership, there are 35+ companies running successfully with a business empire to 25+ billion. Mostly, known for innovative ideas, Dr. Faruk has now started his sprint in the field of Green Hydrogen and has signed an MOU with a UK giant Tristar. His out-of-the-box thinking, today, has resulted in the historic achievement of South Gujarat's first wind turbine installation at Kora, Bharuch. Today, his company KPI Green Energy owns and operates Gujarat's Largest Private Solar Park at Sudi, Bharuch. Due to this exemplary success, his near and dear ones call him by the name "Solarking".



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Not only is Dr. Faruk interested in making money, but he takes a keen interest in social and charity activities to empower NGOs and underprivileged communities. He is not only a very successful businessman but equally a well-liked entrepreneur who gives something back to society. He is the founder person of the KP Human Development Foundation (KPHDF), providing humanitarian services in the field of education, health, and environment. He is also a founder and active member of the World Bharuchi Vahora Federation and a well-wisher of VVUK. He has been awarded many awards and recognition including Legend of Surat, The Leaders, Times Business and Education Icon, Rotary Lamhe Award, IPOpreneurs Award, and recognition from Surat Municipal Corporation and District Collector for his humanitarian deeds to the society during the Covid pandemic. He is also an active member in many educational and entrepreneurial institutions and committees.



Recently Dr. Faruk, Chairman, and Managing Director of KP Group, has been conferred with a doctorate honour. Farukbhai has been awarded this unique doctorate degree by the American East Coast University for his innovation talent and creative management during his 28-year tenure in the renewable energy and infrastructure development business. This is an amazing and praiseworthy achievement by him and by his company. He was honoured with this degree by the American East Coast University in June 2023.

Recently Dr. Faruk G Patel is now among one of the most sought-after entrepreneurs as he made his way into the "Top 30 Most Disruptive Entrepreneurs in 2023" list released by Wikitia.

This list includes world-famous entrepreneurs like Elon Musk, Mark Zuckerberg, Jeff Bezos, Tim Cook, and many more from around the world.

Dr. Faruk is one of the first Bharuchi Vahora to have achieved this type of international fame and recognition in this context.

Heartly congratulations and salute to the determination, wisdom, courage, and vision of our leader Dr. Faruk from VVUK and from the entire Bharuchi Vahora Community from local to global.

