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Mr. Chandrasekhar has over 33 years of working experience. He began his professional career as Mine Manager of underground longwall project; worked in various positions such as Agent (Group of Mines) having various underground technologies including longwall, blasting gallery, load haul dumpers, etc.; Staff Officer/Technical Secretary to the Chairman and Managing Director and General Manager co-ordinating with 34 departmental heads in functioning for the growth of organization; worked as Chief Public Relation Officer of the company and coordinator of the CSR activities.

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Mr. Veera Reddy has over 31 years of working experience having expertise in strata control, ventilation and mechanization. As the Project Officer to high capacity longwall at Adriyala, he played a vital role in introducing the technologies such as punch entries; automation systems,

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Mr. Veera Reddy visited several countries like U.K., Germany, Australia, Austria, Czech Republic, Poland and China. He is author/co-author of several papers some of which were presented at national and international conferences and seminars and published in various mining journals. He is a member in watchdog committee constituted by the Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS).



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