

RESPECTFUL HOMAGE TO LT. COL VC KHARE



Industry Stalwart & Veteran, Retired Lt. Col VC Khare has passed away. He was associated closely with the Indian CATV Industry for more than 3 decades.

He was a Maintenance Systems engineer from the Corps of Electronics and Mechanical Engineering of the Indian Army with 24 years' service including participation in three wars. He had a post graduate qualification in Electronics Engineering and Military Science. He had also attended post graduate diploma program in Business and Industrial Management. He had 24 years combat service experience, and was associated with leading companies like MC Engineering, Ranutrol Instrumentation, Shyam Communications, Indusind Media and Communications, Reliance Communications, BECIL and Videocon.

He was a Chartered Engineer, Fellow of 'Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers' and Life Fellow of 'Broadcast Engineering Society'. He was also founder of SCTE India.

During this period, as a member of the Bureau of Indian Standards, he was instrumental in formulating 8 BIS Specification for Cable TV Hardware. He authored more than 30 papers & scores of articles. He was also a popular speaker at industry seminars & events. Outspoken, he provided correct advice- to MSOs & LCOs.

During his stint at BECIL, he set up the first team for audit of Digital Headends, to TRAI's specification.

Lt. Col VC Khare was also instrumental in setting up, several key installations including DTH uplink centres, HeadEnd-In-The Sky (HITS) and DAS Headends for Digital Cable TV.

He will be missed by Industry colleagues and was a leading stalwart of the Indian Cable TV, Satellite & DTH sectors.

TRIBUTES FROM INDUSTRY COLLEAGUES

"We are very sad to know this . He was a father figure for CATV industry and has contributed significantly for development. He nurtured this industry with a great vision and sacrificed his life until his last breath.

He wanted CATV industry in India to grow as a highly professional business and left no stone unturned to make it. His sacrifice and work will go a long way in the history of cable television, satellite systems, broadband technology in particular and broadcasting field in general.

MCBS had a close association with Col Khare and worked on many aspects of technology development, training, quality aspects, certifications, standardisation, taxation etc.

We always met in various exhibitions, conferences, meetings and shared our views. He has visited our factory and institute and provided advise and guidance.

He was very knowledgeable , down to earth in his approach with no compromises and at the same time very simple, humble, honest and friendly.

Indian Cable TV industry owe a lot to him and can not forget him and his contributions. His name will be written in golden letters forever .

We pray God to rest his soul in peace and give courage to his family and all of us to bear this loss."

- G.C. Jain, Chairman, MCBS

"Retired Lt. Col V C Khare has immense contributions in the field of Cable TV & DTH industry. He would always share his knowledge & expertise with us, whenever we meet, on various cable topics like DAS implementation, BIS standards, BECIL requirements. He worked very hard to impart technical knowledge, formulate rules, regulations & standards for the cable TV & DTH industry.

His sad demise has left a huge void & he will be missed by the whole industry. Our deepest condolences to his family & may God bless his soul with peace."

- Devchand Haria, Director, Optilink Network Solutions Pvt Ltd

"During his tenure with different corporates and service providers, we have interacted with Retired Lt. Col V C Khare many a times. He was friendly, honest and a humble personality and was a guiding force to almost all associates in the Cable TV industry and to us also , since almost three decades . Be it any technical aspect, BECIL related issues & ground reality about technology and operations, he was kind enough to share his thoughts neutrally. It is not only to the industry, but it is a personal loss for me too."

- Jignesh Mehta, Founder & MD, Mehta Infocom Pvt Ltd