

Sanjay Johri appointed CEO-designate of Voltas Limited

The Board of Directors of Voltas Limited have appointed Mr Sanjay Johri the CEO-designate of the Company with immediate effect. He will take over as Managing Director on April 22, 2010 upon the retirement of Mr Ashok Soni.

Mr Johri, aged 56 years, has worked with Voltas since September 2004 in various capacities, initially in the corporate area, and thereafter as COO of the Unitary Products Business Group, the **Materials Handling** Division, and the **Mining & Construction Equipments** Division. He was promoted to the rank of President on October 1, 2008 with additional responsibility for the International Operations Business Group.

One of his most significant contributions at Voltas has been to greatly improve the performance and profitability of the Unitary Cooling Products business (window and split ACs, water coolers and commercial refrigerators). With his keen marketing expertise and customer insight, Mr Johri has helped grow and sustain the Voltas AC brand to a position of leadership, in a highly competitive market.

Mr Johri joined the Tata Administrative Service in June 1975. He worked with the Indian Hotels Co. Ltd., Tata Press Ltd. and RDI Print and Publishing Ltd., rising to the level of Managing Director. He also served as a Director with Timex Watches Ltd. and Tata Infomedia Ltd, prior to joining Voltas.