



## **KEYNOTE SPEAKER PROFILE**



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B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering from MACE, Kothamangalam, Kerala University

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Made significant contributions in launch vehicle mechanisms, acoustic protection systems and payload fairing areas for more than 22 years.

Deputy project director of the prestigious Space capsule Recovery Experiment (SRE-1) for deceleration and Recovery systems and was involved in the recovery of capsule from sea.

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ISRO team excellence award for his contributions to SRE & ISRO excellence award as team leader for CARE in 2014.

ISRO Individual Merit award for the year 2014 for his contributions towards technology development towards manned space mission.