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Dr. Malini V Shankar is an officer of the Indian Administrative Service, currently posted as the Director General, Shipping, Government of India.

Dr. Malini V Shankar obtained her doctoral degree in Public Policy (Institutional Economics) from the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (India) and Management degree from the Asian Institute of Management, Manila, the Philippines. She also holds a Master's Degree in Chemistry from Mount Holyoke College, Massachusetts, USA.

She had her professional mid-career training at the IIAP (Institut Internationale d'Administration Publique), in Paris, France from where she obtained a diplome in International Economics. She was also nominated by the Government of India to the Harvard University for training programmes on two occasions.

Dr. Malini Shankar has had an illustrious career spanning over 3 decades both at the field and at the policy level. Her key assignments have been in industry, electricity and water sectors. Prior to the current posting, she was Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Maharashtra. Her earlier postings include Commissioner of Industries, and Collector of Nagpur District.

In each of her assignments, her main focus has been on the introduction of technology and modern management systems and practices, as well as on citizen-friendly initiatives.

Her most noteworthy contributions have been in the water sector, among them the *Maharashtra Sujal Nirmal Abhiyan*, the *Integrated River Basin Plan* (for Godavari Basin) and the e-jalseva (integrated computer information system).

Dr. Malini Shankar has been a recipient of several academic recognitions – National Merit Scholarship of Government of India, International Fellowship for Exchange Studies in the USA, the Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship for Higher Education, CIDA Scholarship for Management Studies.

In recognition of her professional achievements, she has been invited by academic and professional organizations to contribute to policy making – she was a member of the Government of India Task Force for Water Policy, and a member of sub Task Force on Urban Water Management. She was also invited by the ADB, Manila as a keynote speaker in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Asian Irrigation Forum.