

## **Kamlesh Yagnik**

Kamlesh Yagnik has over three decades of experience in research, business and consulting in the areas of Energy, Climate Change and Technology. Currently he is working as India's first Chief Resilience Officer, appointed by Surat Municipal Corporation. He is a Founder Trustee of Surat Climate Change Trust, the first of its kind in India. He represents small and medium enterprises working in flood-prone areas of South Gujarat, India, as immediate Past President of The Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry. An engineer by training, he has studied vulnerabilities, impact and adaptation strategies for climate change in Surat. In collaboration with local government, he has worked on an end-to-end early-warning system for river floods. He has also initiated various e-governance projects for administration. His areas of interest include Urban Resilience, Traffic and Energy Management.