

PROFILE OF MR NAWSHIR H. MIRZA

Nawshir is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. He was with S.R.Batliboi & Co./Ernst & Young from 1967 till his (early) retirement in 2003, in its Calcutta and Mumbai offices. He also worked in the London office. He was an auditor and, in later years, was a joint leader of the firm.

Nawshir has contributed to the governance and accounting professions, being a speaker or the chair at conferences in India & abroad and authoring several professional publications. He has chaired and served on the boards of various professional bodies and chambers of commerce.

Nawshir was the India head of Jardine Matheson Ltd. for over ten years after retiring from the accountancy profession. During that time he also served on the boards of some companies and charities, including the Red Cross and Childline India Foundation, of which he was the managing trustee for about ten years.

Nawshir has been a professional independent director on the boards of companies in the Tata Group, Mphasis, Exide and Thermax, amongst others. In 2024, after a 25-year career of professional independent directorship, he decided to devote all his time to the voluntary sector.

Building on his second profession, Nawshir has been involved in the movement for improved governance in the corporate sector for over two decades.

He now dedicates his time to the establishment and protection of animal rights. In particular, he has a close involvement with Animals Matter to Me. He is a trustee of the Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organisations and is involved with the Welfare of Stray Dogs, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Animal Raahat and Greenpeace.

He strongly believes in humankind taking responsibility for the destruction of the natural world. Nawshir has also been on the board of The Energy Resources Institute (TERI) amongst other NGO's.