

**V.P. NANDAKUMAR**  
**INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

V.P. Nandakumar, from Thrissur, India was elected to serve as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9, 2019.

Director Nandakumar is CEO and managing director of Manappuram Finance Limited. Starting in 1986 with a single-branch family business, Director Nandakumar has created one of India's leading non-banking financial companies with over 4,300 branches.

He became a Lion in 1981 after joining the Triprayar Lions Club. Director Nandakumar has held a number of offices within the association including multiple district council chairperson, board appointee, and member of the LCIF Corporate, Foundation & Government Gifts Committee.

In recognition of his service, Director Nandakumar has received an International President's Leadership Award, an International President's Award and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. Director Nandakumar is a Second Century Ambassador and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions Activities, Director Nandakumar is a managing committee member of leading Indian trade and industry associations such as ASSOCHAM, FICCI and FIDC. He is also past chairperson of the Kerala State Council of the Conferderation of Indian Industry. In 2017, Director Nandakumar, was among 16 finalists nominated for the EY Entrepreneur of the Year Award in India.