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An International expert in NGN technologies, Regulation, Interconnection and Broadband with 42 years' experience in all aspects of Telecom, including 25 years with Govt. and Regulator, Dr. Satya N. Gupta is publicly recognized as an Analyst, Author, Advocate and Advisor on ICT related Policies, Projects and Business. After post-graduation from IISc. Bangalore, joined ministry of Communication in 1981 and Ministry of railways in 1983 and rose to the level of Additional Secretary in Govt. He is recipient of coveted Minister of Railways award for outstanding performance for digitalisation project.

A triple master in Electronics Design Technology, IT Management and Telecom Policy and Regulation, globally known as "NGNguru" he is trainer and coach for telecommunication technologies, policy and regulation and a Regulatory advocate. Author of "Everything over IP-All you want to know about NGN". He also authored a concept called "Job Factory- Converting Unemployment into Intraprenuership". His recent research-based work, "Long Tail – Walking the Extra Mile on Rural Broadband Business", brings out the innovative business models for rural broadband connectivity. He has also established and mentoring a consulting startup named SAAM CorpAdvisors providing Govt. Affairs as Managed Service. He was also awarded Global Visionary Award by Vision World Academy in 2019 for his Mission for Rural Women Empowerment through DigiGaon Job Factory Foundation, a Social Enterprise. Based on his impact making business model "Hotspots- as- Managed Service", he has been awarded PhD (HC) by Commonwealth Vocational University, Kingdom of Tonga, Asia Pac and among the top 50 Influencers of Blockchain in India.

He is Secretary General of ITU-APT Foundation of India, Vice-President and Trustee of DCIF and Chairs BIF committee on Rural Digital Infrastructure. He founded NGN Forum in India to spread awareness and capacity building in the field of emerging technologies. As a member of Expert panel of Commonwealth Telecom Organisation, he conducts training programs in the areas of NGN Technologies, Broadband Policy and Regulation, Interconnection Costing in NGN Era, Spectrum Management, IPV6, Digital Transformation,, Blockchain and Blue-Ocean Strategy. He is first Indian recipient of IPv6 Hall of Fame Award-2019 and Lifetime Achievement Award-2022 by Global IPv6 Forum and appointed Chairman of Bharat IPv6 Forum-Towards Atmanirbhar Connected Bharat.