

# COL. (RETD) YOGESH CHANDRA PANDEY

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## EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Strategic Operations Head & Director of Quality Assurance with 34 years of experience in the Indian Army. Expert in Weapon and Ammunition design. Directed Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) operations, equipment life cycle management for the Ministry of Defence (MoD) and Department of Defence Production (DDP). Proven record in translating high-level MoD and DDP directives into efficient operational realities. Adept at managing ₹50+ Cr annual budgets, steering 200+ member cross-functional teams, and implementing rigorous QA/QC frameworks. Capable of corporate administration, driving efficiency, minimising downtime, minimising risk, and delivering massive fiscal savings. Seeking executive-level leadership roles to optimise large-scale business operations, corporate administration, or supply chain infrastructure.

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## CORE EXPERTISE

- Strategic Operations & MRO
- Armament & Ammunition Design
- Quality Assurance (QA/QC) & Auditing
- Budgeting, P&L & Fiscal Oversight
- Government Relations & Liaison
- Procurement & Vendor Management
- Supply Chain & Materials Management
- Workforce Governance & HR Lifecycle
- Risk Mitigation & Statutory Compliance

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Director – Operations, Quality Governance & Resource Management

2008-2026

*DGQA, Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence*

Exercised complete administrative oversight and strategic technical control over advanced engineering design divisions, product testing and lifecycles, and strict quality assurance frameworks while complying with Government-regulated directives.

- **Macro-Level Strategy:** Formulated and executed long-term perspective plans, scaling organisational infrastructure to meet strict timelines set by the Ministry of Defence.
- **Human Capital Governance:** Directed and mentored a multi-disciplinary workforce of 40+ high-performing technical managers, engineers, and quality inspectors; institutionalised a performance-driven, high-accountability workplace culture.
- **Materials & Compliance Audit:** Overhauled system-wide process and material audit schedules, ensuring total compliance with evolving statutory standards, safety codes, and customer requirements.
- **Fiscal Responsibility:** Optimised production timelines, reduced project downtime, and mitigated resource wastage to secure substantial cost savings for the exchequer.

## Head of MRO, Administration & Strategic Operations

1992-2008

*Corps of Electronics and Mechanical Engineers (EME), Indian Army*

Directed end-to-end Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO), ensuring maximum lifecycle for a massive inventory of advanced mechanical, electronic, and aviation assets, spread across complex geographical zones.

- **Resource & Budgetary Control:** Managed an annual operational budget of ₹50+ Crores. Ensured strict financial compliance, P&L monitoring, and high-stakes risk mitigation, securing massive savings for the government exchequer.
- **Logistics & Supply Chain:** Orchestrated rapid-response resource deployment and supply chain logistics across volatile terrains and unpredictable field conditions.
- **Asset Maximisation:** Implemented equipment diagnostics, lifecycle management, and predictive maintenance protocols that drastically minimised asset downtime and ensured peak operational readiness.
- **Policy & Governance:** Formulated and implemented new Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for procurement and distribution, enhancing supply chain efficiency and eliminating wastage of government grants.
- **Workforce Management:** Led a cross-functional workforce of 200+ personnel. Managed recruitment, performance evaluations, welfare operations, and technical upskilling to match modern industrial engineering standards.

## Lead Maintenance Engineer & Team Administrator

1989-1991

*Pawan Hans Limited (PSU)*

Focused on foundational engineering execution, tactical asset management, implementing preventative maintenance protocols, and team administration.

- **Technical Training:** Imparted specialised training to field teams on advanced fault diagnosis, troubleshooting, minimising downtime, and compliance with strict repair policies.
- **Asset Management:** Optimised human and material resource allocation under tight timelines and budget constraints, while ensuring 100% adherence to preventative and scheduled maintenance.
- **Culture of Excellence:** Established a disciplined approach, ensuring regular technical skill-set upgrades in alignment with the latest industrial standards while maintaining best practices.

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## EDUCATION

### Master in Weapon and Ammunition Designing

1998-1999

Defence Institute of Advanced Technology (DIAT), Pune

### B.Tech in Avionics (Aeronautical Engineering)

1984-1989

Aeronautical Society of India, Delhi College of Engineering (DCE)

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## AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

### 50 Most Influential Quality Professionals in India

2016

World Quality Congress and Awards

### Certified Lead Auditor

2011

Defence Institute of Quality Assurance (DIQA), Bangalore