

# BW Legal World's List of Top 100 General Counsel Out Now

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BW Legal World in association with BW Business World announced the top 100 General Counsel in India during a power-packed three day GC conclave, which was held from Feb 5 - Feb 7.

The General Counsel community in India has evolved into a versatile and dynamic group of corporate changemakers over the years. In fact, General Counsel played a crucial role in keeping their organizations afloat consequent to the unique challenges posed by the pandemic in the current times. There could not have been a better time to recognize their hard work and the phenomenal contribution made by them.

Selecting the best from the talented pool of nominations received was an uphill task given the quality of the meritorious candidates. The winners were shortlisted through a strict jury-led process.

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So without further ado, let's take a look at the list of top 100 General Counsel in India, in alphabetical order:

1	Abhayan Jawaharlal	Sterlite Power	Group Chief Legal Officer
2	Abhijit Mukhopadhyay	Hinduja Group	President (Legal) & General Counsel
3	Ajai Kumar Jain	Godrej & Boyce Mfg Co. Ltd	General Counsel
4	Akhilesh Nand	Biocon Biologics	General Counsel & Chief of Governance Risk and Compliance
5	Amar Kumar Sundram	Royal Bank of Scotland - Natwest Group	India Head - Legal, Corporate Governance & Regulatory Affairs
6	Amber Gupta	Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company Limited	Head Legal & Company Secretary
7	Amit Thukral	Lupin Ltd.	Vice President- Legal & Compliance
8	Amitabh Lal Das	Max Life Insurance Company Limited	Director & Head- Legal, Compliance and Regulatory
9	Anand Vardhan	Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited	President - Legal
10	Anil P M	Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Company Limited	Chief – Legal & Compliance Officer
11	Anjana Bali	DLF Home Developers Ltd	EVP Legal
12	Anoop Khatry	Suzlon Energy Limited	General Counsel
13	Anubhav Kapoor	Group Vice President- Legal & Group	Cummins India
14	Archana Sasan	Dell - India	VP Legal
15	Arvind Melagani Chinnappa	Bosch Group -India	Vice President and General Counsel
16	Ashok Gupta	Aditya Birla Group	Group General Counsel
17	Ashwin M Dave	Reliance Industries Ltd(L)	Head of Litigation & Senior Vice President
18	Atul Juvle	Schindler India Private Limited	General Counsel, Compliance Officer & CS India
19	Badrinath Durvasula	Essar Group of Companies	Managing Director Legal
20	Burhan Khalid	Britannia Industries Ltd(L)	Legal Head at Britannia Industries Limited
21	C V Raghu	Samvardhana Motherson International Limited	Group General Counsel (Global Responsibility)
22	Damini Marwah	Axis Bank	General Counsel
23	Debolina Partap	Wockhardt Group	Sr. Vice President Legal and Group General Counsel
24	Deepak Acharya	Wipro Limited	Chief Risk Officer, Global Government Relations, Enterprise Cyber Security & General Counsel
25	Deepak Chauhan	Welspun Group	Director & Head - Legal
26	Deepak Jacob	The Walt Disney Company	Chief Regional Counsel
27	Deepika Chaudhry	Xerox India Limited	ED - Legal
28	Dev Bajpai	Hindustan Unilever	Executive Director Legal & Corporate Affairs HUL, and VP, Legal for South Asia, Unilever
29	Dharmesh Srivastava	The Oberoi Group of Hotels and Resorts	Vice President & General Counsel
30	Dr Akhil Prasad	Boeing India Private Limited	Director, Country Counsel India and Company Secretary
31	Dr Rajesh Kumar Sehgal	Trina Solar	Director & Head Legal - Asia Pacific
32	Dr Vivek Mittal	Regional Counsel Head	Danaher Corporation
33	Dr Sanjeev Gemawat	Dalmia Bharat Group	Executive Director - Legal & Group Company Secretary
34	Hemant Kumar	Larsen & Toubro Ltd.	Group General Counsel.
35	Inderpreet Sawhney	Infosys Limited	EVP & Group General Counsel
36	Ipsita Dutta	Morgan Stanley	Executive Director, Legal
37	Jahnvi Ravindranath	Anheuser-Busch InBev India	Former Head of Legal (GCC)
38	Jatin Kumar Jalundhwala	Adani Enterprises Ltd	Jt. President - Legal & Company Secretary
39	Kaizad Hazari	Glenmark Pharmaceuticals	President and Global General Counsel
40	Kalpna Agarwal	Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd	Joint President & Co-Head Legal
41	Keshav Dhakad	Microsoft India and Group	Group Head - Corporate, External, & Legal Affairs
42	Lalit Khanna	Singapore Technologies Telemedia Global Data Centres India (STT Global Data Centres India Private Limited)	General Counsel
43	Lubinisha Saha	Airbus Group India Pvt. Ltd.	Head of Legal & Compliance –India & South Asia
44	M. Vasudev Rao	National Stock Exchange of India Limited	General Counsel & Sr. Vice President
45	Maimoona Badsha	Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited & its Group companies	General Counsel
46	Manjaree Chowdhary	Maruti Suzuki India Limited	Executive Director & General Counsel
47	Meena Lall	Tata Steel Limited	Chief Legal Officer (Industrial & Litigation)
48	Meera Banjari	Director Legal	Abbott HealthCare
49	Meera Singh	KPMG in India	General Counsel
50	Murli -Balasubramaniam	Nestle India	General Counsel
51	Narendra Gangan	HDFC Life Insurance	EVP, Head- Legal & Compliance, Company Secretary
52	Nasir Ahmed	Bajaj Auto Ltd	Corporate Legal - Head Counsel
53	Navdeep Choudhary	Yum! Restaurants India	General Counsel
54	Naveen Raju	Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd(L)	General Counsel & Executive Vice President - Group Legal Services at Mahindra & Mahindra
55	Naveen Samant	Ingersoll Rand	Legal Counsel Leader - MEIA
56	Neena Gupta	Interglobe Enterprises	Group General Counsel
57	Nilanjan Sinha	ICICI Bank	Head Legal – India & SE Asia
58	Nishant Singhal	Religare Enterprises Ltd.	Group General Counsel
59	Nitin Banerjee	Ola (ANI Technologies Pvt Ltd)	Group General Counsel
60	Nitin Mittal	Signify ( formerly Philips Lighting)	GC - India & Pacific, CS for India and Regional Lead Head - Systems & Services Projects( Growth Markets)
61	Padmaja Chakravarty	Citi Bank	General Counsel
62	Pooja Bedi	Philips	General Counsel @Philips-India Sub Continent
63	Pramod Rao	ICICI Bank Ltd(L)	Group General Counsel
64	Prarabdha R Jaipuria	SUEZ India	General Counsel - Indian Subcontinent
65	Preeti Balwani	Hindustan Coca-Cola Beverages Pvt. Ltd.	General Counsel
66	Priya Mehra	Indigo Airlines	General Counsel
67	R. Suraj Singh	Novartis Healthcare Pvt Ltd	Head Legal
68	Rajeev Chopra	Accenture	Managing Director
69	Rajendra Misra	The Indian Hotels Company Limited	Executive Vice President and General Counsel
70	Rajkumar Varier	ABP Networks & ABP Creations	General Counsel
71	Rakesh Bakshi	Amazon India	President & Associate General Counsel.
72	Ravi Badhani	JP Morgan Chase & Co	Head Legal, India Corporate Centre
73	Rohit Kumar	UPL Ltd(L)	Global General Counsel
74	Roop Loomba	Rolls Royce India Private Limited	General Counsel and Head of Ethics and Compliances India and South Asia
75	Sameer Chugh	Bharti Group	Group General Counsel
76	Samik Mukherjee	PayPal	Sr. General Counsel
77	Sanjay Mishra	Adani Enterprises Limited – Natural Resources	Former Head Of Legal
78	Sanjay Nambiar	Yes Bank Limited	Group President & General Counsel
79	Sanjit Kaur Batra	DuPont	Legal Head (South Asia) & APAC Counsel (Nutrition & Biosciences)
80	S.B. Mathur	Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)	General Manager (Law)
81	Satyajit Gupta	EXL Service	Vice President & Head of India Legal
82	Sharad Sharma	Tetra Pak India Pvt. Ltd.	Director & Head of Legal Affairs, South Asia
83	Sheela Vadavalli	Mylan Pharmaceuticals Private Limited – A Viatris Company	General Counsel – India & Growth Markets
84	Sheetal Kapur	Director Legal	Netflix
85	Shraddha Malhotra	Avery Dennison	Senior Legal Counsel – Asia Pacific
86	Shujath Bin Ali	Ramky Enviro Engineers Limited ( KKR Portfolio Company)	General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer
87	Shuva Mandal	Tata Sons	Group General Counsel
88	Shyamala Venkatachalam	Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited	Chief Legal Officer
89	Sonal Basu	Mindtree Limited, A LARSEN & TOUBRO COMPANY	General Counsel
90	Sree Patel	Mondelēz International	Executive Director, Mondelēz International (India); Chief Counsel, India & AMEA Legal Lead Mondelēz International
91	Sujeet Jain	Ultratech Cement	Chief Legal Officer
92	Tapan Pati	Johnson & Johnson	Director Legal
93	Ugen Tashi Bhutia	SBI Card	EVP, Legal Head
94	Urvashi Sahai	OCL, Paytm	General Counsel & SVP-Legal
95	V R Shankar	Hindalco Industries Ltd(L)	President and General Counsel, Hindalco at Aditya Birla Group
96	Vineet Bose	Vedanta	Group General Counsel
97	Vineet Vij	Tech Mahindra	Group General Counsel
98	Vinod Kaushal	PepsiCo India Holdings Pvt Ltd	General Counsel, India Business Unit (BU)
99	Vikas Kumar Sinha	DFFCIL (Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India)	General Manager (Law )
100	Zameer Nathani	UFO Movies India Ltd	General Counsel

BW Legal World's list of Top 100 GCs is an initiative to recognize and reward the prolific General Counsel who have made a mark for themselves in the profession. This is going to be an annual initiative conceptualized to fuel excellence in the legal ecosystem by identifying the best corporate legal eagles in India.