SECURITY REPORT

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Smart People will make Security Smart:

India struggles with a number of significant barriers that continue to hamper the development of urban infrastructure, industrial development and efficient and effective security management: complex leadership structures, social challenges, capability gaps, and changing regimes at centre and state. All these are part of the urban challenges that is effectively holding India back from a new round of dramatic economic growth.

The Smart Security solutions are dependent on an integrated database and decision making system based predictive forecasts and projections that incorporates innovative ICT (information and communications technology - or technologies) to simultaneously generate, process and analyse spatial, transport, energy, municipal services and socio-economic data, the capability and resource base to enable holistic decision making and finally a governance system that encourages informed and prompt decisions.

It is the security managers' ability to interpret such data in all its complexity and holistic scope, monitor trends backed by experience and intuition, to run scenarios for

security emergencies, carry-out security audits and then identify vulnerabilities and use them all for efficient, economical, safer and well performing solutions harnessing appropriate technologies. New technologies are not always the best or the relevant for the specific needs of

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security managers! Technologies are merely enabling tools for effective security management and decision making.

It is essentially Smart Security Manager who will make technological solutions based on his experience, knowledge and wisdom! There were pagers and there were mobile phones but ultimately it was human wisdom which combined two features and mobile with SMS were introduced. Similarly RFID technology was used for inventory and fleet management based on visualization by someone for diverse security application. For USA's social welfare schemes need for positive identification of beneficiaries lead to application of Retina / Iris Scan Bio-metric Technology which was soon used for Access Control Systems.

Availability of technology automatically will not make security solution smart! It is judicious use of available technology by people with foresight and vision which will make the Security 'Smart'. The technology here have very important role to play. For making 'smart security', we must attempt 'synergistic management of affordable resources and technologies'! There are many stack-holders and there are many areas which need automation and digitization all aimed at making people's life safe, secured and comfortable and governance effective and people oriented.

"If you think 'Technology' can solve all your problems than either you do not understand the technologies or you do not understand your problem!"

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He has thirty three years' experience (including Army) in the field of industrial security management. He has been regular faculty in Management Institutes. Various articles are published in related magazines and internet sites.

He is astute security consultant with in-depth knowledge of best practices and the technologies suitable to specific needs. His cost-effective security solutions are found to be pragmatic and helpful in loss prevention. His 'out-of-the-box' approaches have been path-breaking in modeling new concepts in security management.

He is Co-founder and Chief Councilor of International Council for Security & Safety Management.

Smart Security : Security Demands Smart Infrastructure

Protecting the Capital on national days when India's top leaders and foreign dignitaries attend public events is one of the biggest challenges for the Delhi Police. Every year for Independence Day a large part of the city the traffic gets blocked for many roads and aerial roads are shut down for security reasons.

As the shadow of terror extends globally, security overdrive has become an international phenomenon. While no state can afford to take chances with VIP security, this deepening culture of fear undermines the very idea of democratic freedom that the global community is struggling to uphold in these troubled times.

Physical security measures are as important as credible intelligence inputs. But that calls for more investment in building secure infrastructure instead of relying on stock archaic measures such as blocking busy arterial roads. Beyond the occasional tragedies, just think about the routine loss of man-hours.

Some of the suggestions that were of relevance during the 70th Independence Day were to set up helipads wherever possible to cut down road travels by VIPs. This is a practice across the world where the VIPs take the skies to free up city roads. Best example cited are, one at Rajghat — a must on every VIP itinerary — would be a wise investment. Likewise, building venues complete with helipads outside the Capital for hosting international summits can safely ferry VIPs without bringing the city to a standstill.

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