

Santanu Paul

Santanu Paul is a computer scientist and entrepreneur who sees technology as a force for public good. From research labs to startups to technology firms, he has chased wicked problems in enterprise systems, edtech, fintech and governance across the world. He was the founding CEO of TalentSprint, a deeptech upskilling platform focused on youth and gender inclusion. As a board member at NPCI, BSE and other financial institutions, he has participated in pivotal closed-door conversations where policies bump into platforms, and helped advance India's digital transformation infrastructure through his deep commitment to open architecture, rapid innovation and global frameworks. He holds a BTech from IIT Madras and a PhD from the University of Michigan.

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B. Sambamurthy is a career banker who has witnessed technology democratize finance and transform livelihoods. His four-decade career arc spans from managing local and overseas branches to leading a public sector bank, evolving from a specialist into a foundational institution builder. He spearheaded operating models for large-scale digital transformation, notably leading the multidisciplinary team that innovated a biometric-driven branchless banking model for remote villages. As CEO of IDRB and later as the RBI nominee director at NPCI, he helped shape India's electronic payments architecture. A Chartered Accountant, he has served on multiple financial infrastructure boards across banking, insurance, and capital markets.

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