

Curriculum Vitae

Suketu Mahendra PATEL

PERSONAL DETAILS

- DOB 11 March 1952
- Married to Nichole with two children – Tarak and Priya

FOOTBALL

- Seychelles 1st Division player from 1967 to 1987
- Seychelles national team player from 1971 to 1985
- Trainee with Leyton Orient FC in England during studying in England in 1975/76
- 1980 to 1989 President Of Seychelles Football Federation (did not seek re-election to obtain commercial pilot licence and pursuing hobby of flying)
- 1990 to 1993 Hon President of Seychelles Football Federation
- 1994 to 2011 President of Seychelles Football Federation (stepped down with three years of mandate left) to concentrate of Confederation of Football (CAF) Vice presidency
- 1998 appointed to CAF Finance Committee
- 2001 to 2002 Assisted FIFA in transforming its financial reporting to IFRS
- 2003 Member FIFA U 17 Committee
- 2004 to 2017 CAF Executive Committee
- 2007 to 2016 President Council Of Southern African Football association (COSAFA)
- 2009 to 2013 Member FIFA Goal Bureau and later Development Committee
- 2011 to 2017 1st Vice President of CAF
- 2012 Vice Chair FIFA reform Committee for statutes
- 2013 Elected to FIFA Audit & Compliance Committee

PROFESSIONAL

- From 1976 - Fellow member of Institute of Chartered Accountants of England & Wales
- Managing Director from 1977 – 1980 Coralline United Touring (Largest travel group at the time)
- Senior partner and majority shareholder in Pool & Patel – largest financial services firm in the Seychelles.
- Certified by Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales in International Reporting Standards

EDUCATION

- Seychelles college until 1971 – up to Cambridge A Levels
- 1972 to 1976 – Articled clerk with Keens Shay Keens & Co; London, studying for membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants

CIVIC ACTIVITIES & HOBIES

- Served as member of Prisons Advisory Board to the Minister
- Member Rotary Club from 1977
- District Governor for Rotary District 9220 – 1996/1997
- Member Seychelles National Sports Council
- Served as Vice President of Seychelles Olympic Committee
- 1996 /1997 Served as District Governor for Rotary International for District 9220 comprising of 7 countries
- Served on Seychelles Economic Council
- Currently Chairman of the Board of Seychelles Financial Services Authority
- Director Seychelles Petroleum Company
- Keen Interest in deep sea fishing
- Holder of - USA Commercial pilots licence (fixed wing)