## Ashok V Chowgule

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The Executive Director of Chowgule Group of Companies, Ashok Chowgule, has played an instrumental role in the formation of CMPL Armed with his business acumen which was further honed at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, USA, he has been an efficient leader of the group of companies. The group has interest in Mineral Processing, Shipping, Shipbuilding, Industrial Salts, Industrial Explosives, Industrial Gases, Agency Business, etc.

He is in-charge of the shipbuilding activity of the group and is credited for bringing about a vast change in the Shipbuilding Industry in Goa. Ashok Chowgule is the first one to introduce 'block construction' process in Goa's ship construction as against the traditional shipbuilding practice, significantly reducing the time for construction of inland barges from over 12 months to less than 6 months.

He upgraded the infrastructure facilities at Loutulim and Rassaim Shipyards equivalent to state-of-the-art shipyards in Western Europe and introduced construction with duly blasted, primed, cut, bent plates and pipes having 'no greens'; using in-house CNC machines.

Timely deliveries and commendable quality of vessels have placed Chowgules and Goa in a significant position on the World map of Shipbuilding.