Srinivas Katikithala

Srinivas Katikithala, a senior Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the 1989 batch, currently serves as Secretary in the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India. Prior to this, he held the position of Secretary in the Ministry of Minority Affairs and was the Director of the prestigious Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration. In his role as Establishment Officer and Secretary to the Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet, he played a pivotal role in structuring Mission Karmayogi, the Government of India's flagship civil service capacity-building program.

With a career spanning over 32 years across federal and state levels, Katikithala has demonstrated leadership in public policy, legislative reforms, and infrastructure development. In his cadre state of Gujarat, he was instrumental in introducing several public policy reforms in areas such as revenue administration, personnel management, and urban affairs. He also spearheaded landmark projects like the Statue of Unity, GIFT City, and the Gujarat Earthquake Rehabilitation Program (GERRP), which rebuilt 14 cities post the devastating 2001 earthquake.