

## SHRI. N. N. MEHTA

### - An Entrepreneur

(Non Technical person in industrial sector)



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Born in the year 1932, at Pune, Natwarlal N. Mehta, studied upto matric and left the education in the year 1950. While in school he was operating a cycle repair shop and hiring of cycles and started his career with repairs of cycles. Slowly, he entered into field of motor cycles and started repairs of motor cycles. Fascinated by motor cycles, he took part in motor cycle races and has won prizes in races.

He got the opportunity to meet Hon. Shantanurao Kirloskar, a leading industrialist, who was impressed by his hard work and desire to enter in the field of machine repairs and mechanical engineering and gave him some useful lessons in repairs of diesel engines. He encouraged him by giving him a small lathe from Shimoga factory for starting a

small workshop. Due to his hard work and quality, he started repairs and overhauling of diesel engines and earned a good name in a short time.

Shantanurao Kirloskar suggested him to purchase a Crank-shafts grinder and some more lathes. He gave him even financial help to purchase a grinder. After some experience, Shri. Mehta started complete operations like turning, gridding upto finished stage of forged crank-shafts and today after 30 years of experience in the field of crank-shafts, his work shop - Swastik Engineer is a leading workshop handling all operations on crank shafts like repairs, turning, grinding, rebuilding by Submerged Arc welding and increasing the life of a costly crank shaft by 40 to 60 percent.

For the last 10 years, Swastik Engineers is doing jobs for leading companies like Kirloskar Oil Engines, Cummins, SKF, TELCO, Bharat Forg, Kalayani Group Industries etc. It now handles jobs from local fleet owners, tractors of farmers and engineers jobs from sugar factories, Govt. PWD and Irrigation Depts. and Public sector undertakings from all over India, Ceylon, Andaman and many other places.

He has contracts in the engineering field all over world in Italy, Germany, France, Denmark, U.K. Japan, and U.S.A..

Starting from zero, he is now a successful industrialist and businessman owning seven small scale Industries having a turnover of 4- 5 crores.

Recently he has entered in the field of marketing of dairy products.

Even at the of 63 he is very enthusiastic and is interested in new ventures and collaborations with foreign compa-

nies.

How many non matriculates start with cycle repair shops and remain so through out the life; but Shri. N. N. Mehta is an exception. For him sky in the limit. He is only 63 now, by the time he reaches the age of his Guru Shri. S. L. Kirloskar, he will be in all probability a leading industrialist of Pune. The secret of his life is that he wants to remain an entrepreneur always although he has already become an industrialist. He is an entrepreneur in the true spirit.

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