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Mr. Nikunj Turakhia, a **B. Tech** graduate in **Metallurgical Engineering** from **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Mumbai** has been at the helm of **Standard Group** since its inception. The group has interest in Steel trading and distribution, steel service Centre, specialized aluminum for lighting and solar sector, manufacturing of solar structures and real estate.

Mr. Nikunj Turakhia is recipient of **Silver Medal** at **IIT Batch of 1985** and also received **Vidya Bharti Award** from **IIM Kolkata**.

He is **co-author** for research papers along with **Professor P. Ramakrishnan** on **Stainless Steel Filters (powder metallurgy)**, in **1983** and **1984**.

Being in the steel industry for numerous years, **Mr. Nikunj Turakhia** strongly felt the need to create an association for all steel stake holders, thus leading to the birth of **SUFI (Steel Users Federation of India)**. He is currently the Founder, President and Promoter of **SUFI**.

Steel Users Federation of India now popularly known as '**SUFI**' has achieved remarkable success in a short span of time to bring various **stake holders of steel industry** on a common platform and is marching towards achieving its objective as outlined in Steel Policy 2017 issued by ministry of steel govt of India. **SUFI** has **members** across India and chapters in various states. **SUFI** has always acted proactively as an interface between **government and steel industry and trade**.