

hotseat leadership lesson

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Irrefutable laws of leadership

LEADING ON A true leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way to his team

Person you've learned life's greatest lesson from
My father has been a great source of inspiration and his life has taught me the fundamental value systems which form the foundation of my life

If you had to make a pitch for your company in one line, you'd say...

One-stop-shop for all electrical solutions and a great place to work

A leader is

One who knows the way, goes the way, shows the way and supports every member in the journey towards growth

A typical day for you at work

Involves vision-building, solution-finding and supporting the team to achieve goals

The most important thing an organisation can do for its employees today
Is to trust them and provide them opportunities to put in their best

What is that one critical factor which has helped you identify leaders among your employees?
Passion for excellence and respect for others

Your organisation prioritises spending on
Quality, innovation and customer satisfaction

Your work mantra
Have faith in yourself and your team. Keep looking for solutions. Success is inevitable.

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His favourites

Every kind of food



You relax by

Speaking to or meeting family and friends

You're driving

Skoda Superb



You're reading

Hindustan Times, Business News and lots on the internet