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Dr. M. Satish Kumar works collaboratively within the School of Natural and Built Environment at Queen's University Belfast. As a specialist on India, with more than 26 years of experience in the higher education sector, he has taught in JNU (New Delhi) and the University of Cambridge, Soka University of America. He was the founding Director of Queen's Academy India and is currently holding charge as the Director of Internationalisation. He has contributed to internationalisation strategy, partnership development and the management of external relationship with India. He completed a Visiting Professorship at Jawaharlal Nehru University and has recently been nominated as Visiting Professor at the University of Calcutta.

Over the last 8 years Dr. Kumar has engaged in Queens University's Strategic Planning and Development in Higher Education Partnership in India. This led to key contributions to internationalisation strategy and partnership development and the management of external relationship. He is a member of the South Belfast Partnership Board and is currently engaged with the regeneration opportunities for the City of Belfast. He established the Young Civic Leaders of Northern Ireland (2014) which is focused as a space for the youth to design and define their own city.

Currently he is the founding Member of the Royal Irish Academy National Committee of Future Earth Ireland and is a Member of AHRC Peer Review College and Newton Global Challenge Fund. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, Fellow of Higher Education Academy and Member of the Royal Commonwealth Society.

Dr. Kumar has worked across social sciences, humanities and sciences. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, Member of the Royal Commonwealth Society and founding member of Future Earth Ireland with the Royal Irish Academy. He was awarded the Queen's University Teaching Award, (2014) and the Bhoovigyan (Earth Scientist) National Leadership Award, India (2002).

He has published extensively across multidisciplinary themes with a global perspective. His key publications among others are: Colonial and Postcolonial Geographies of India, (eds.) Saraswati Raju, M. Satish Kumar and Stuart Corbridge. Sage. 2006; Globalisation and North East India: Some Developmental Issues (eds.) A. Dubey, M. Satish Kumar, N. Srivastava, and Eugene Thomas (Standard Press, New Delhi) 2007. His current research relates to the role of communities in the management of their heritage and cultural resources in the context of global developmental challenges.

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