



Mr Faizal Kottikollon  
Founder & Chairman, tulāh Clinical Wellness

Mr Faizal Kottikollon is a pioneering social-impact entrepreneur, investor and philanthropist, whose work has shaped industries and communities across the Middle East, India and Africa. As Founder and Chairman of KEF Holdings, he has built a diverse group of businesses spanning engineering, construction, advanced healthcare and wellness, all united by a deep commitment to purpose, innovation and sustainable growth.

Mr Faizal began his entrepreneurial journey with Emirates Techno Casting in 1997, later achieving one of the region's most successful industrial exits through its \$400 million acquisition by Tyco International. He went on to establish KEF Infra, a 42-acre off-site manufacturing park that delivered 20 million ft<sup>2</sup> of hospitals, schools and malls within four years, before transforming healthcare through Meitra Hospital: India's first fully digital hospital and a JCI-accredited centre of excellence. His latest venture, [tulāh Clinical Wellness](#), represents a \$120 million commitment to creating the world's first clinical wellness sanctuary, blending the ancient Eastern wisdom of Ayurveda, Vedanta and TCM with advanced diagnostics and regenerative medicine. In his words, "the beauty of clinical wellness is that you heal people, and that's the biggest blessing you can get in life." The seed for tulāh was planted when he visited Auroville in Pondicherry back in 1983, an ecosystem and city built on sustainability and conscious living. The experience left a lasting impression on him, and has been the founding inspiration for the philosophy. The name "tulāh" was inspired by his daughter's life and translates to balance in Sanskrit, reflecting this founding ethos.

Through the Faizal & Shabana Foundation, founded in 2007, his philanthropy has touched over 2 million lives, transforming 966 government schools and advancing global initiatives in education, healthcare, sustainability and culture. A respected leader and policy advocate, Mr Faizal also serves as Chairman of the UAE-India Business Council (UAE Chapter), fostering strategic trade and investment partnerships between the two nations. He holds degrees in Civil Engineering from the Manipal Institute of Technology, an MBA from T.A. Pai Management Institute and an M.S. in Industrial Engineering from Bradley University, USA. Guided by innovation and purpose, Mr Faizal continues to champion a business philosophy, striving to build enterprises that create lasting value for people, communities and the planet.