Amid CEO transitions, C Vijayakumar celebrates 30th anniversary at HCLTech

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AMID A BEVY of outsiders taking charge of CEO roles in IT companies, HCLTech CEO and MD, C Vijayakumar celebrated his 30th anniversary at HCL group this week. He is the second Indian IT firm's CEO to cross the milestone after TCS' K Krithivasan who has put in more than 30 years in the same group.

Vijayakumar wrote on his LinkedIn page, "Today marks a very special day in my professional journey. I celebrate 30 years with HCLTech, a quarter of this time I have had the honour to lead this amazing organisation as its CEO. As I reflect upon TODAY MARKS A VERY SPECIAL DAY IN MY PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY. I CELEBRATE 30 YEARS WITH HCLTECH, A QUARTER OF THIS TIME I HAVE HAD THE HONOUR TO LEAD THIS AMAZING ORGANISATION AS ITS CEO

this milestone, I am most grateful to my mentors, colleagues and friends who have inspired, taught, challenged and supported me every step of the way." He added: "In 1994, starting as an engineer at Comnet,

a disruptive start-up within

HCL at that time, and growing to lead this incredible organisation has been a defining chapter in my life. The culture at HCL has always been entrepreneurial, giving each one of us the opportunity to pursue our dreams. These dreams can be brought to life by believing in oneself, having a laser-sharp focus, and doing your very best."

Similarly, US firm IBM's chairman and CEO Arvind Krishna is another stalwart who has spent more than 33 years at IBM. He has been CEO at IBM since 2020. The other person who has spent more than 25 years in a company and is still continuing is Tata Elxsi's CEO Manoj Raghavan.