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Professor Bijendra Jain is currently the Vice Chancellor at Birla Institute of Technology and Science. He has held visiting assignments with Universities of Texas and of Maryland, Bell Labs, and Cisco Systems. Most recently, he was a Gledden Senior Visiting Fellow at University of Western Australia, Perth. He also had stints as professor at IIT Delhi and is a co-founder and past-Chairman of Kritikal Solutions, a technology start-up focused on computer vision, embedded systems and networks.

He was the first to propose a nation-wide data network for India in 1983. With funding from Government of India and UNDP, and together with developers from other institutions in India, he built and launched in 1989 India's first data network, ERNet. He is also a co-inventor, with researchers from Cisco Systems, in seven US patents.

He has a B. Tech. from IIT Kanpur and Ph. D. from SUNY, Stony Brook (NY), both in Electrical Engineering.