

# Where Excellence is Law

**OUR LEGACY** 

# Journey Of 20 Years

1200+

Corporate Houses

750+

Listed Clients

5000+

Clients

750+

Cumulative Years of Experience

15,000+

Assignments Executed

125+

Team Strength



Corporate Professionals (CP) is a group of dedicated, research-oriented, and skilled professionals delivering innovative corporate business solutions through an integrated model of legal, techno-legal, and financial consulting services since 2003.

Within the group, there are boutique advisory, consulting, and law firms that provide high-quality services in Company Law, Insolvency Law, Securities Laws & FEMA, Corporate Restructuring, Corporate Taxation, Domestic and Global Business Setup, Compliance Management, Documentation, and Regulatory Approvals.

The Group offers Investment Banking, Transaction Advisory, Corporate Funding, Valuation, and Business Modeling services through Corporate Professionals Capital Pvt. Ltd., a SEBI Registered (Category-I) Merchant Banker, and Corporate Professionals Valuation Services Pvt. Ltd., India's 6th IBBI registered Valuer Entity.

With a focus on providing holistic, efficient, and cost-effective solutions, the Group integrates its knowledge and expertise with Information Technology. The Group has extensive experience in handling complex transactions and has successfully completed over 15,000 assignments for more than 1,200 Corporate Houses, including PSUs, MNCs, Foreign Subsidiaries, Startups and 750 listed companies. The team maintains a high level of integrity, professional ethics, and confidentiality in all client interactions and assignments.

CP has a Research wing that carries out research on contemporary and emerging issues and actively engages in knowledge sharing by hosting free webinars every Friday and by providing updates on legal and regulatory matters along with detailed analysis and implications through its real-time Newswires and monthly bulletin CP Connect. CP has also emerged as a leader in bringing out up-to-date books on Company Law, IBC, and Valuation. Its publication Companies Act, 2013 and Rules and Forms has been the best seller on the subject.



# Vission & Mission

#### VISION



To be a leader in providing Value Added Services & Innovative Business Solutions across the globe.

#### MISSION



To provide services based upon the stated and unstated needs of clients conforming to professional ethics, integrity & confidentiality; through our Collaborative Commerce Model to ensure simplicity, cost effectiveness and efficiency along with excellent quality

#### **WHY**

### Choose Us

- Client centric approach
- Ethical business practices
- Bedicated and motivated team
- B Leveraging innovation
- Proficient solutions
- Transformational Leadership
- Research-based techniques
- Technology led strategies

# OVERVIEW OF OUR SERVICES

#### **Investment Banking**

- ◆ Strategic Advisory and Business Planning
- ◆ Deal Advisory Services
- ◆ Corporate Funding
- ◆ IPO Advisory

#### **Transaction Advisory Services**

- ◆ Mergers and Acquisitions
- ◆ Valuation & Biz Modelling
- ◆ ESOP Advisory and Management
- ◆ Capital Market Services
- ◆ Insolvency Resolution Services

#### **Legal And Regulatory Advisory**

- ◆ Company Law Advisory & Secretarial Services
- ◆ Securities Law Advisory
- ◆ Insider Law Advisory
- ◆ Forex Law Advisory
- ◆ NBFC & Fintech Advisory
- ◆ Tax Law Advisory
- ◆ India Entry Services & Business Setup
- ◆ Global Business Setup
- ◆ Corporate Litigation & Representations
- ◆ Risk, Assurance & Due Diligence
- ◆ Corporate/Commercial Documentation & Drafting
- ◆ Sustainability and ESG Reporting Services.

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## **OUR SERVICES**Investment Banking

## Strategic Advisory and Business Planning

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Growth Strategies
- Fundraising Strategies
- ◆ Acquisition Strategies

#### **Deal Advisory Services**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Business Dynamics Assessment
- ♦ Valuation & Pitch Deck Review
- Investor Identification and Approaching
- Expansion Strategy Evaluation
- ◆ Deal Transaction Planning & Implementation
- ◆ Deal Coordination and Closure support.

#### **Corporate Funding**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Business Set-up Funding
- ◆ Startup Funding
- Private Equity Funding/ Investment
- ◆ Strategic Funding/ Investment.

#### Initial Public Offering (IPO) Advisory

- ◆ IPO Health-Check
- ◆ Business & Fund-Raising Story Development
- ◆ Pre-IPO Diligence & Gap Analysis
- IPO Structural & Strategic Planning and Implementation
- ◆ IPO Process Management
- ◆ Post-IPO Support

#### **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Transaction Advisory Services**

#### **Mergers And Acquisitions**

#### **Key Offerings**

- Mergers & Amalgamations
- ◆ Demergers & Hive Offs
- Company and Business Acquisitions
- ◆ Takeover Open Offer
- ◆ Slump Sale & Asset Sale
- ◆ Deal Structuring, Negotiation & Joint Venture Advisory
- ◆ Business Restructuring and Financial Re-engineering
- Pre & Post Approvals for Corporate Restructuring/
  Capital Restructuring
- ◆ Cross-Border M&A Transactions
- ◆ Group Reorganization & Success Planning.

#### TRANSACTION ADVISORY

#### **Capital Market Services**

- ◆ Issue Management IPO/FPO/SME/Rights/Debt/QIP Issuances
- ◆ Pre & Post Approvals Fundraising/Corporate Actions
- Buy Back of Securities
- ◆ Revocation of Suspension
- ◆ SEBI Approvals & Exemptions
- Direct Listings
- Delisting Services
- Social Stock Exchange Registration and Fundraising
- ◆ NCD Listing
- \* Advisory and Opinion.



#### Valuation & Biz-Modelling

#### **Key Offerings**

#### A. Transactional Valuation

- ◆ Business & Start-up Valuation
- ◆ Merger & Acquisition and Fairness Opinion
- ◆ Financial Modelling
- ◆ Business Planning & Projections
- ◆ Family Settlement & Succession Valuation
- ◆ Initial Public Offering (IPO) and Further Public Offering (FPO)
- ◆ Voluntary Valuation Assessment.

#### **B. Regulatory Valuations**

- ◆ Income Tax Valuation
- ◆ FDI/ODI Valuation
- ◆ SEBI Valuation

#### C. Financial Reporting

- ◆ Intangible Assets Valuation like Brand, Technology, etc.
- ◆ Purchase Price Allocation & Slump Sale
- **◆** ESOP Valuation
- ◆ IND AS Valuation
- **D. Fixed Assets Valuations**

- ♦ Issue & Transfer of Shares
- ◆ Convertible Instrument Valuation
- ◆ Sweat Equity Valuation.
- ◆ Impairment Testing
- ◆ Corporate Guarantee Valuation
- ◆ Security Receipts Valuation
- ◆ Loan Portfolio Valuation.

#### **ESOP Advisory & Management**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Strategic Planning and Modelling Services
- ◆ e-Management of ESOP Plans
- ◆ ESOP's Implementation
- Valuations and Accounting
- Regulatory Compliance Support
- ◆ Merchant Banking Certification
- ◆ Legal Advisory and Assistance
- ◆ ESOP Trust Services
- ◆ Cap Table Management.

#### **Insolvency Resolution Services**

- ◆ Insolvency Mitigation Strategy Development
- ◆ Resolution Process Support
- ◆ Corporate Debtor Due Diligence
- ◆ Litigation Management in Insolvency
- ◆ Asset Valuation (Fair & Liquidation Value)
- ◆ Creditor Representation & Claim Filing
- ◆ Resolution Plan Formulation & Implementation
- ◆ Liquidation Process Assistance
- Voluntary Liquidation Services
- Distressed Assets Opportunity Advisory

#### **OUR SERVICES**

#### **Legal and Regulatory**

### Company Law Advisory & Secretarial Services

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Advisory on Companies Act, 2013
- Entity Management Services
- ◆ Corporate Secretarial Services
- ◆ Transaction Advisory & Assistance
- Management of Board and General Meetings
- ◆ Corporate Governance Advisory
- ◆ Drafting of policies and SOPs for compliance
- Legal Opinions
- Comprehensive Corporate Action Advisory
- ◆ Regulatory Representations before RoC, RD, OL and MCA.

#### **Securities Law Advisory**

- ◆ Insider Trading & Unfair Trade Practices Advisory
- ♦ Securities Law Audit Services
- ◆ SEBI Investigation & Inspection Guidance
- ◆ Securities Proceedings Representation WTM, AO and SE
- ◆ Appellate SAT, High Court and Supreme Court
- ◆ Compounding & Settlement Consulting
- ◆ Securities Dispute Arbitration & Mediation
- ◆ Intermediary Registration Assistance
- Funds Registration & Management Advisory AIF, REITs, InvITs and other Funds
- Investment Issue Resolution for Investors

#### **Insider Law Advisory**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ Advisory on Insider Law
- ◆ Designing of key policies and Internal Control Systems
- ◆ Insider Law Audit
- ◆ Senior Management and Insider's Training & Workshops
- Structured Digital Database Solutions
- ◆ Insider Law Services for Fiduciaries and Intermediaries.

#### **NBFC & Fintech Advisory**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ NBFC and Fintech Registration
- ◆ Regulatory Approvals
- Assurance & Advisory
- ◆ Transaction Advisory
- ◆ Operational Assistance
- ◆ SOP & Agreement Drafting.

#### Forex Law Advisory

#### **Key Offerings**

- Transaction Advisory (inbound/outbound investments, external commercial borrowing, property transfers, remittances)
- ◆ Legal Opinions
- ◆ Audit and Assurance
- ◆ Regulatory Approvals from RBI and DIPP
- ◆ Compliance and Reporting
- Compounding Services
- ◆ Representations & Appeals before RBI, ED, etc.

#### Tax Law Advisory

- ◆ Corporate Tax Planning & Management
- ◆ Domestic & Cross-Border Tax Structuring
- ◆ Tax Appeals at Various Judicial Levels
- ◆ Handling Search & Survey Proceedings
- ◆ Tax Assessment & Representation
- ◆ Transfer Pricing & International Taxation Appeals
- ◆ Tax Issues for Joint Ventures & Collaborations, etc.

#### **India Entry Services & Business Setup**

#### **Key Offerings**

#### A. Business Setup

- ◆ Regulatory Environment & Foreign Investment Advisory
- ◆ Business Registration (Company/LLP/Foreign Branch/Liaison Office)
- ◆ Pre-Setup Regulatory Approvals Assistance
- ◆ Business & Tax Licenses and Approvals
- ◆ Business Search Reports
- ◆ IPR Registration.

#### **B. Business Support**

- ◆ Corporate Secretarial Services
- ◆ Accounting and Payroll Processing
- ◆ Compliance Management
- ◆ Statutory and Voluntary Audit Services
- ◆ Due Diligence services.

#### **Global Business Setup**

- ◆ Territory Identification for Business Setup
- ◆ Legal Structure & Configuration Advisory
- ◆ Business Entity Incorporation & Document Preparation
- ◆ Fund Remittance & Foreign Bank Account Assistance
- ◆ Tax and Business License Acquisition.



#### OUR Products



Corporate Value Enhancer" is an innovative and multi-disciplinary financial product which provides customized solutions while strategizing and implementing Value Enhancement and Wealth Maximization framework for Companies with low valuation but high growth potential. It is also apt for creating right value for companies planning to tap capital market/raise Funds

#### Key Features

The product is broadly targeted for three classes of business-

- Closely held business with great growth potential
- Companies planning to tap capital market for funds requirement; and
- Companies already listed but with low market capitalization as compared to peers.



Financial markets are inherited with volatilities and there is no assurance of returns on investments. Notwithstanding expert qualification and immense experience, it is common to face challenge while deciding upon any proposed Investment and post Investment vis-à-vis valuations, disclosures, transparency, governance, growth, and action plans, whether to exit, when to exit etc.

"Corporate Investment Protector" is designed especially for Strategic Investors, PE Funds, High Net-worth Investors, Alternate Investment Funds and Venture Funds, etc. to assist them in all life cycles of Investment.

#### **Key Features**

The Product assists investors at various levels of Investment broadly on the following-

- Comprehensive Pre-Investment Analysis & Diligence
- Continuous Monitoring of Compliance and Governance Standards
- Strategic Exit Decision Consulting
- Protecting against Conflicts and Frauds.





Corporate Governance is crucial for any organization's success. It underpins the transparency, ethical practices, and culture of a business. In today's corporate world, an organization's value is increasingly measured by the level of its corporate governance. Even highly profitable organizations can fail to attract investor confidence if they lack robust governance practices.

Our service aims to help organizations recognize and implement a well-defined corporate governance framework. Our team collaborates closely with companies, tailoring best governance practices to the specific nature and sector of their business.

#### Key Features

The product is useful for listed and proposed to-be-listed companies as it helps in-

- Assessing current Governance practices being followed in the organization
- Implementing effective systems & practices in the Governance Framework.

#### Risk, Assurance & Due Diligence

#### **Key Offerings**

- Due Diligence for Public Issue
- Due Diligence for Takeover & Acquisitions
- Due Diligence for Joint Ventures and Investments
- Due Diligence for Forex and Overseas Transactions
- Due Diligence for Fraudulent Transactions
- Legal and Compliance Due Diligence
- Financial Due Diligence
- Labour Laws Due Diligence
- Due Diligence for any other Commercial transactions
- Corporate Compliance Management.

#### **Corporate Litigation & Representations**

#### **Key Offerings**

- Oppression and Mismanagement Advisory and Representation
- Shareholders', and Family Dispute Resolution
- Arbitration and Mediation
- Regulatory Representations
- Constitutional Remedies
- White Collar Crime Resolution
- Class Action Suits.
- Investor Protection Advisory
- Commercial Disputes/Litigation
- Other Corporate Litigation Matters.

#### Corporate/Commercial Documentation & Drafting

- Joint Venture Agreements & Advisory
- Share-Investment Related Agreements (SPA/SSA/SHA)
- Business & Asset Purchase Agreements
- Business Charters & Code of Conduct Drafting
- Prospectus & Information Memorandum Preparation
- Debt & Securitization Agreements
- Trust Deeds & Trusteeship Agreements
- Technology Transfer & Sharing Agreements

- IPR Licensing/Assignment Agreements
- Employment Contract Drafting
- Non-Disclosure & Confidentiality Agreements
- Non-Compete Agreement Drafting
- Various Service/Business/Commercial Agreements.

#### **Sustainability & ESG Reporting Services**

#### **Key Offerings**

- ◆ ESG Strategy & Advisory
- ◆ ESG Reporting (International & Domestic)
- ◆ Environment Law Advisory
- ◆ Carbon Credit Advisory & Framework Implementation
- ◆ Fundraising Strategies for Social Enterprises & NPOs
- ◆ Assurance & Diligence Services
- ◆ Compliance & Regulatory Support

# Where Excelled is Law

# Products



#### Insilysis

A Digital Solution to Insider Law Compliance

A web-based compliance software integrates Insider Law expertise such innovation to automate recording, reporting, approvals, disclosures and streaming your compliance processes. Explore a domain where our expertise and personalized approach redefine legal solutions ensuring seamless compliance and support.

#### **Key Features**

- Legally Compliant
- Seamless Communication
- Hassle free Historical Data Migration
- Database Integrity Assurance
- Benpos Reconciliation
- Disclosure Management

- Pre-clearance Management
- Trading Window Management
- Generation of UPSI Audit log
- Unlimited Storage of UPSI Events
- Automated Email notification on UPSI Updation.



#### **ESOP Guardian**

All About ESOP Management & Cap Table

ESOP Guardian" is specialized software designed to manage ESOP databases for both listed and unlisted companies. This user-friendly software simplifies ESOP data management for companies and employees and tracks all ESOP transactions, facilitates e-grants, automates tax calculations, digitizes grant exercises, and manages cap table management at a click, accessible through www.esopguardian.com.

#### **Key Features**

- Seamless Employee Navigation
- Execute transactions with effortless precision and easy reconciliation
- Real Time tax Calculations
- Comprehensive and dynamic reporting

- · Quick Implementation
- Integrate with other key applications in company
- Hassle-free Historical Data Migration
- CAP Table Management.



CompSure from Corporate Professionals is a versatile web-based compliance management product that provides a centralized platform for managing compliance-related tasks, workflows, and documentation. It is designed to help organizations stay up-to-date with regulatory requirements, reduce the risk of non-compliance, and ensure they meet their legal and ethical obligations.

#### **Key Features**

- Event management solution
- Inbuilt audit and review mechanism
- Dashboard and reports for management overview
- Team management and escalation matrix

- Compliance repository
- Round the year updates
- Compliance solution work across geographies and industries, to provide a wholistic solution
- Available in both cloud and premises model.



CompanyWiki" is an innovative product that provides information on companies registered under various jurisdictions across the globe on matters like incorporation details, management, financial position, shareholders, regulatory actions, ownership structure etc. We source data from regulatory filings, analyze and present the same in a customized form which helps in faster decision making in situations like acquisition, joint venture, investigation etc. Our expert Team understands the requirement of clients and delivers the best suited information in a timebound manner.

#### **TECHNICAL LEGAL**

#### **Ventures - Websites**

01 • E Companies Act

Companies Act (A rich source of company law) www.companiesact.in

CorporateValuations.in

CorporateValuations.in (Unexplored inorganic Strengths) www.corporatevaluations.in 0.5

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Exchanges Laws in India)

(Guide to legal framework for Foreign

FEMAIndia.in

www.femaindia.in

StartBizIndia.in (Jet start to your business in India) www.startbizindia.in

03 Deal4Business

Future of Business Deals www.deal4business.in

# **OUR**Webinars

The Research at CP stands as a dynamic hub, dedicated to exploring contemporary and emerging issues within the legal and regulatory landscape. With a multifaceted approach, CP actively contributes to knowledge sharing and professional development within the corporate, professional, and legal community.

#### **Knowledge Sharing**

#### Weekly Webinars

CP's commitment to knowledge dissemination is evident through its notable initiative – free webinars held every Friday. These webinars, numbering over 150 held over three and a half years and continuing, provide a platform for experts to share insights on pertinent issues, fostering a community of learning and facilitating the exchange of ideas among professionals.







#### **OUR**

#### Research & Development

#### **Empowering Corporates**

#### A. Real-Time Updates

In the fast-paced world of legal and regulatory matters, CP distinguishes itself by providing real-time updates through its Newswires. These updates offer a comprehensive overview of the latest developments, keeping practitioners well-informed and equipped to navigate the evolving landscape.

#### B. CP Connect - Monthly Bulletin

CP Connect, the monthly bulletin, serves as a digest of legal and regulatory updates, compliance calendars, articles, etc. It is a valuable resource for professionals seeking a deeper understanding of the implications of changes within the legal framework.

#### C. Dealwire

In pursuit of business expansion and diversification, CP's inorganic growth strategy emerges through Dealwire, a bulletin issued periodically. It meticulously outlines prevailing buy-sell deals in the market, providing invaluable insights for informed decision-making.

#### D. Quarterly Compliance Manual

Objective of issuance of Quarterly Compliance Manual is to provide our clients and other stakeholders, a clear chronology of upcoming compliances for the ensuing quarter, ensuring that they stay compliant and fully aligned with the latest regulatory requirements. It also offers a comprehensive and up-to-date understanding of all the regulatory updates, that had arisen during the last quarter.







#### our Publications

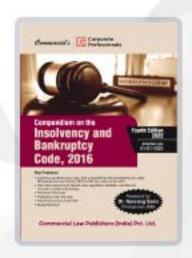
CP has established its position as a frontrunner in the realm of publishing by consistently delivering cutting-edge books on Company Law, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), Valuation, and related subjects. Among its notable successes, the publication "Companies Act, 2013 and Rules and Forms" has emerged as a bestseller, standing out as an authoritative guide for professionals, academics, and students alike.

A distinguishing feature of CP's publications lies in their commitment to precision and reader-friendliness. We place a strong emphasis on remaining concise and to the point, ensuring that its content is easily accessible and comprehensible. A key facet of this approach is the incorporation of efficient cross-referencing mechanisms, enabling readers to navigate through the material seamlessly and find relevant information quickly.



















Pavan Kumar Vijay

Pavan Kumar Vijay, a seasoned professional with over 32 years' of experience in Company Law, Capital Markets, and Corporate Restructuring, is the Founder of Corporate Professionals. Under his leadership, the firm delivers innovative legal and financial solutions. Pavan has a distinguished record of becoming one of the youngest President of the ICSI in 2003. Previously he served as the Managing Director of BLB Limited. Known for his foresight, he founded the IT Venture <a href="www.takeovercode.com">www.takeovercode.com</a>, receiving the 'TATA NEN Hottest Startups Award 2008.

Pavan is a visionary leader, contributing to numerous committees and boards, set up by the Central Government, Regulatory Authorities, Professional Bodies, Chambers of Commerce, and Industry and social welfare organizations. With a wealth of experience, Pavan became the Chairman of Secretarial Standards Board of the ICSI (2014-2018), Chairman, Core Group for Vision New ICSI- 2022, Member, Appellate Authority constituted by Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) under the Company Secretaries Act. He was also the Chairman of M&A National Council of ASSOCHAM for five consecutive terms.

A prolific speaker and author, Pavan has delivered 485+ lectures and authored/co-authored books on various legal topics. He emphasizes knowledge sharing and has instituted initiatives like CP Shorts, CP Newswire, and monthly bulletin CP Connect. In April 2020, CP started hosting weekly webinars, drawing over 96,000 professionals and leaders globally. He is widely traveled, having visited numerous countries, contributing to his global perspective.

Pavan, a Fellow Member of the ICSI, holds an M. Com from St. John's College, Agra, and a Law degree from Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi.



Dr. R.K. Agarwal

Dr. R. K. Agarwal, a n experienced Chartered Accountant with over 31 years of standing, specializes in Income Tax Surveys, Search and Seizure Cases, and provides expertise in Tax Planning and strategic Business Planning for Corporates. Elected Chairman of NIRC-ICSI in 2003, he has held key positions in professional organizations, He was a Member of the Accounting Standard Board of ICAI, President of Faridabad Income Tax Bar Association in 2000, and Co-Chairman of Company Law and Corporate Governance Committee of PHD Chamber in 2018. He has also actively contributed to academic activities at ICAI and ICSI, representing various committees.

Dr. Agarwal is a visiting faculty at management institutes and has also participated in news channel discussions on Union Budget and professional topics. He has co-authored books on "Taxation of Real Estate Developer and Joint Development Arrangements with Accounting Aspects" and a book titled "Law Relating to Search and Seizure". His diverse qualifications include M. Com, MBA, LL.B., LL.M, and Ph.D., and he is a Fellow Member of ICAI and ICSI, as well as an Associate Member of ICAI-CMA.



Dr. Rakesh Gupta

Dr. Rakesh Gupta with nearly four decades of experience in tax and business advisory, he practiced as a Chartered Accountant from 1984-2000 and then became a Member of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) at the young age of 38. Later he transitioned to practicing law, specializing in income tax cases.

Dr. Rakesh is a Special Counsel representing the U.P. Government in the Supreme Court of India. An accomplished speaker, he has also co-authored books, on "Law Relating to Search and Seizure" and "Taxation of Real Estate Developer and Joint Development Arrangements with Accounting Aspects", delivered lectures, and contributed articles to professional magazines. He on invitation attended a conference on International Tax for updating of UN Model Tax Convention at United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA.

Dr. Rakesh, a Fellow Member of the ICAI and ICSI is also an Associate Member of ICAI-CMA. He is a Gold Medalist in his LL. B examination and holds a master's degree in law and management. He has also done his Ph.D. in "Corporate Governance and Business Ethics.



Dr. Sanjiv Agarwal

Dr. Sanjiv Agarwal, a practicing Chartered Accountant for over 37 years, specializes in Service Tax, GST, Corporate Laws, and Financial Services. He has been the founder and Chief Editor of Service Tax Counsellor since 1999 and GST Counsellor, a fortnightly e-newsletter launched in 2015.

Dr. Sanjiv has a rich history of contributions, including serving as Chairman of NIRC-ICSI, a SEBI-nominated director, and a Central Government-nominated member for amendments to the Companies Act. He was nominated as a Member of the Secretarial Standards Board (SSB) of the ICSI for four terms. Dr. Sanjiv has also been a Member of the Indirect Tax Committee of ICAI, the Advisory Group on GST, and the Expert Advisory Board constituted by the ICSI. He is on the board of a few companies/corporations, including government companies.

Dr. Sanjiv is an active participant and speaker at seminars and conferences organized by professional institutes and apex chambers. He is also a visiting faculty at various Management Institutes and Banks. His workshops/master classes on Service Tax and GST are popular among professionals and corporate executives. An accomplished author with over 30 books, his articles are regularly published in economic dailies, professional journals, and websites.

Dr. Sanjiv is a Fellow Member of ICAI and ICSI, an Associate Member of ICSA London (UK), and holds a Ph.D. in "A Conceptual Approach to Corporate Governance" and Post-Membership Qualification (PMQ) also in Corporate Governance.



P. Nagesh

P. Nagesh is a designated Senior Advocate with over 27 years of experience in Corporate Law, Advisory, and Litigation. He began his career as a litigation lawyer, acquiring extensive experience in corporate matters throughout his professional journey. Nagesh has represented a diverse range of corporate cases before the Supreme Court of India, the Delhi High Court, and the NCLT.

Nagesh is a research-oriented individual who provides in-depth legal insights and strategic counsel to clients. Demonstrating his versatile skill set in legal practice, he has handled complex cases before the erstwhile Company Law Board, BIFR, and MRTP Commission, among others. He currently provides legal services to many companies on a retainer-ship basis.

Reflecting his active involvement in legal professional bodies, Nagesh was elected as the Vice Chairman of the NCLT Bar Association. Previously, he served as a Member of the Company Law & Corporate Governance Committee of the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) in 2018 and held the position of Vice President of the CLB Bar Association.

Nagesh's wealth of expertise and captivating communication style have positioned him as a sought-after guest speaker He has addressed various seminars, workshops, webinars, etc. organized by professional bodies and chambers., leaving an indelible impact on those who attended his sessions.



Ashwani Taneja

Ashwani Taneja has to his credit over 28 years of experience, including serving as a Member of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT). In 2015, he assumed the role of a Member of ITAT, where he authored or co-authored over 2000 judgments on diverse tax issues, in a short span of two years. He resigned from ITAT in 2017 and returned to legal practice in 2017. He specializes in litigation and advisory matters related to PBPT, PMLA, FEM, SFIO, NDPS, and other economic offense laws. His practice extends to appearances before the Adjudicating Authority, Appellate Tribunal (PBPT & PMLA), High Courts, and the Supreme Court of India.

From 1995 to 2006, Ashwani practiced as a Chartered Accountant, focusing on Tax Planning, Litigation, Business Advisory, Due Diligence, and audit for diverse business segments. Transitioning to advocacy in 2006, he concentrated on the appellate side of Income Tax Law, appearing before the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal, High Courts, and the Supreme Court until 2015.

Ashwani is a prominent speaker on income tax matters, delivering lectures nationally and providing insights on TV channels regarding the union budget and policy developments. He has an extensive international presence, attending conferences on International Tax at the United Nations Headquarters in New York and becoming a member of the International Association of Tax Judges, Canada (IATJ) in 2017. He participated in IATJ's Global Tax Conferences in Helsinki and Cambridge, London.

A member of ICAI, ICSI, and ICAI-CMA, Ashwini holds B.Com (Hons.), LL.B, and LL.M degrees, along with a diploma in DISA from ICAI.



Amit Khemka

Amit Khemka is an accomplished lawyer with a rich experience spanning 35 years in litigation encompassing Civil, Criminal, and Constitutional Laws. His expertise lies in the Companies Act, Economic & Commercial Laws, with a focus on proceedings and prosecutions under acts such as the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, Prevention of Corruption Act, Prohibition of Benami Properties Act, and Income Tax Act.

A distinguished orator, Amit has delivered lectures on various legal issues at prominent forums, addressing audiences that include lawyers, government officials, including Income Tax Commissioners, chartered accountants, students, and doctors.

Amit is also a prolific writer, articulating his ideas and analyses on numerous legal topics through a substantial number of articles and commentaries. His work has been consistently published in reputable national daily newspapers and magazines, As a seasoned commentator on legal and social issues, Amit has actively participated as a panelist in over 500 television and more than 300 radio talks and panel discussions.

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#### OUR

#### **Partners**



Anjali Aggarwal

Anjali Aggarwal, an accomplished professional possesses 22 years' experience of advising listed companies, undertaking different types of Merchant Banking, Stock Exchange and SEBI related matters. She has been an integral part of the CP Group for the last two decades, holding the position of Partner & Head-Capital Markets Services. She has provided innovative solutions to various sectors such as Microfinance, Hospitality, Pharma, Telecom, E-commerce, Infra, Auto Ancillary and more.

Anjali specializes in handling Capital Markets transactions, including Rights Issues, Buybacks, Preferential Allotments, and related Stock Exchange/SEBI matters. She is well-versed in areas such as Letter of Offers, Prospectus, Allotment of Securities, Insider Trading Regulations, and Delisting.

She has addressed professional development programs organized by professional bodies and several in-house Webinars. She has also co-authored bestselling books and contributed articles and quotes to financial publications etc. and appeared in TV talk shows.

Anjali is a Fellow Member of the ICSI and an Executive MBA from IIM, Calcutta.



Manoj Kumar

Manoj Kumar possesses over two decades of experience in M&A, Transaction Advisory, Valuations and Investment Banking. He is Partner & Head of the M&A, Transactions, and Investment Banking Team of the Group.

Manoj possesses exceptional financial skills coupled with in-depth understanding of corporate legal matters. He has successfully conceptualized and managed approximately 600 mergers/demergers, acquisitions, takeovers, corporate restructuring, insolvency resolution and business valuation among other investment banking transactions. His diverse clientele includes both listed and unlisted companies from various sectors and industries, including Infrastructure, Real Estate, Auto Components, Capital Goods, Power, Finance and Investments, NBFC, Broking, Pharmaceuticals, IT and ITES, Iron & Steel, Metals, Steel Products, Plastic Products, Sugar, Textiles, Consumer Goods, Capital Goods, and Mining, among others.

Manoj is a member of the 'NCLT & IBC Committee of PHDCCI' and 'ASSOCHAM Task Force on Corporate Restructuring and M&A'. He has addressed numerous programs organized by various forums, including ASSOCHAM, ANMI, CKF, ICSI, ICAI, IICA, NALSAR Law University, JIMS, and Apeejay School of Management. Additionally, he is a prolific writer and has co-authored books on the Companies Act, 2013, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code, 2016, and Business Valuation. His research orientation is evident from several articles he has written on topics relating to mergers, demergers, takeovers, and insolvency resolutions. His quotes and comments are regularly featured in major financial dailies, e-papers, and business magazines.

Manoj has travelled abroad multiple times for attending business assignments and conferences. His professional qualifications include membership of the ICSI (Institute of Company Secretary of India).



**Ankit Singhi** 

Ankit Singhi has to his credit nearing 20 years of experience providing advisory services in Corporate Laws, Due Diligence, Acquisitions, IPO, Corporate Governance, Foreign Exchange laws, and Business Setup, among others. He leads the Corporate Affairs & Compliances Team of the Group and plays a pivotal role in providing value-added services to a significant number of large and medium-sized listed and unlisted clients.

Additionally, Ankit possesses sound IT knowledge and has been instrumental in successfully conceptualizing and creating innovative websites for the Group.

Ankit has acted as a guest speaker at various prestigious forums such as ICSI, ICAI, and IIC. He possesses extensive expertise in the Companies Act, 2013, having conducted thorough research on the subject. Notably, he has been involved in the conceptualization, design, and editing of the Group's highly successful publications on the Companies Act 2013.

Furthermore, Ankit is an accomplished author with numerous articles focused on corporate laws to his credit. His academic qualifications include a bachelor's degree in Law and Commerce, along with fellow membership of the ICSI (Institute of Company Secretaries of India).



Mohini Varshneya

Mohini Varshneya possesses nearly 19 years of expertise in providing end-to-end solutions for all kinds of sharebased employee benefit plans, along with offering in-depth advisory, opinions, educational, and technical sessions to the Board and other employees on Insider law matters.

Mohini is currently heading the ESOP and SEBI Insider laws compliance Division of the Group. She played a key role in developing Web-Based Techno-Legal Applications – ESOP Guardian (to manage ESOPs) & Insilysis (to comply with SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015). Her clientele includes over 500 companies comprising listed, unlisted, startups, and MNCs. SEBI has nominated her as a Member of the Working group constituted to review provisions of Trading Plan under SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015.

Previously, Mohini dealt with Securities Law and provided comprehensive solutions to client companies, including planning, restructuring, obtaining complex listing approvals, managing further issues, delisting, revocation of suspension, and compliance management.

Mohini has been a guest speaker at various programs organized by ICSI and has contributed several articles and quotes to financial dailies, e-papers, and business magazines. She holds a master's degree in Commerce and is a Fellow Member of the ICSI.



Sanchit Vijay

Sanchit Vijay presently holds the position of Partner & Head – Deals and Valuations services of the Group. Earlier he served as a Consultant (Data and Analytics) at Infosys Limited and as an Equity Researcher at CapGrow Capital Advisors LLP.

Sanchit has an insatiable appetite for learning and has actively participated in planning, addressing, and attending numerous webinars. Additionally, he has co-authored CP's research publications and written articles that have been published in various journals, online portals, and business magazines.

Sanchit holds a Bachelor of Commerce with Honours and is a Chartered Accountant & a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) from Ireland. Furthermore, he possesses a Diploma in Strategic Management from the London School of Economics and Political Science

# OUR Branch Offices

#### Mumbai Office



Abhishek Sethiya

Abhishek Sethiya possesses over 15 years of experience and currently holds the position of Partner & Head at the Group's Mumbai office. Previously, he has served in various positions, including that of Company Secretary & Legal Head at different MNCs and consulting firms.

With a wealth of expertise, Abhishek has earlier provided his services as a corporate legal consultant to more than 200 companies. His areas of specialization include Corporate Laws and Commercial Laws, among others.

Abhishek is an Advocate and a Fellow member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI). He is also a Commerce Graduate.

#### Chennai Office



Vikas Bhurat Jain

Vikas Bhurat Jain possesses over 15 years of experience in the Stock Market, with a blend of expertise, skills, and abilities in Restructuring, Value Creation, and M&A Advisory. Currently, he is Partner & Head of the Group's Chennai office.

Vikas has to his credit restructuring of seven listed entities successfully across market capitalization. He has dealt with all kinds of matters in Corporate Laws, Due Diligence, Merger/ Amalgamation/Takeover, etc.

Vikas is a Law graduate and a Member of the Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Bar Council.

#### **Ahmedabad Office**



Sejal Agrawal

Sejal Agrawal with over 11 years of diverse expertise! She is an expert in Valuations and INDAS consultancy, ensuring compliance and transparency. With a robust background in chartered accountancy, forensic auditing, insolvency, and INDAS consultancy, she has led numerous valuation assignments across various sectors. Her track record in liaising with authorities, stakeholders, and consultants, coupled with her role as an Independent Director, reflects her commitment to excellence. As a seasoned professional, she brings invaluable insights and leadership to our team, driving quality services and client satisfaction.

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#### **Associate Partners**



Nitesh Latwal

He is a seasoned professional with over 12 years of experience, specializing in Corporate Advisory, Opinions, and Complex Transactions. His expertise spans Legal Due Diligence for IPOs, Mergers & Acquisitions, and comprehensive Compliance Health Check-ups across diverse corporate law domains. Nitesh's adept understanding extends to Finance & Banking, IRDAI, and other financial regulators, making him a trusted authority in the intricacies of the corporate legal landscape.

In addition to his foundational skills, Nitesh brings a unique proficiency in the nuanced arena of restructuring wages under the new labor codes. His client engagements have cut across various sectors, including financial services, insurance, manufacturing, FinTech, Startups, EduTech,

Automobiles, Hospitality, and more. Nitesh's holistic approach, blending legal acumen with a deep comprehension of industry-specific challenges, positions him as a valuable partner for corporations seeking comprehensive and strategic legal counsel in today's dynamic business environment.

Nitesh holds a degree in commerce, a degree in Law and is a member of the ICSI.



Suman Kumar Jha

Suman Kumar Jha has been practicing in the domain of M&A and Transaction Advisory for the past 10 years. He has been representing clients before various commercial tribunals, including the National Company Law Tribunal and the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal. His expertise lies in handling different types of Schemes of Arrangement, complex corporate restructuring issues, and providing legal solutions and implementation strategies for clients across various sectors.

Suman has offered his advisory services to several government companies and public sector undertakings, including Power Finance Corporation Limited, REC Limited, Container Corporation of India Limited, and Shipping Corporation of India Limited and represented these entities for corporate restructuring before the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. He regularly advises his clients on various issues related to direct and indirect tax, stamp duty, and SEBI laws, helping them identify the most suitable alternatives for corporate restructuring.

Suman holds a degree in law from the University of Delhi and is also a qualified Company Secretary.



Ravi Prakash

Ravi Prakash is currently heading the Litigation Team of the Group. He is well-equipped in advising and representing clients in contentious regulatory proceedings and litigations before judicial and quasi-judicial authorities, spanning across institutions such as the Securities and Exchange Board of India, Securities Appellate Tribunal, National Company Law Tribunal, High Courts, etc.

Ravi has also provided legal counsel to clients on several intricate questions of law that have arisen in the course of their business. His views on legal developments and seminal issues have been covered by leading National and Financial Dailies.

Ravi is an Associate Member of the ICSI and a Member of the Bar.



Vivek Vijay

Vivek Vijay with several years of experience possesses a unique mix of management, legal, and IT skills. He is a Techno-Legal professional, who handles a broad range of technological activities. He provides expert advice on the best IT practices and strategies, diagnoses problematic areas, and offers technological solutions to achieve the desired business goals of the group companies. He has carved a niche in creating customized solutions to address specific client requirements, improve overall productivity, and increase efficiency within the organization. Additionally, he defines organizational requirements, selects cloud services, and creates cloud governance strategies.

Vivek, an adept graphic and web designer has been instrumental in successfully conceptualizing, designing, and creating innovative websites for the group, including <a href="www.companiesact.in;www.companywiki.in;www.companiesact.in;www.companywiki.in;www.corporateprofessionals.com;www.esopguardian.com;www.takeovercode.com</a> and <a href="www.femaindia.in">www.femaindia.in</a>. Alongside this, he also develops Mobile apps, tech-based information governance, and compliance modules, etc.



Ruchika Sharma

Ruchika Sharma possesses over eight years of experience specializing in transaction advisory for various deal transactions and acquisitions of listed companies. She played a significant role in managing the highest number of Takeover Open Offers dealt with by the firm in the year 2015-16. She has been working on IPO Advisory for various big unlisted groups in north India and is working on a new product called 'Corporate Value Enhancer,' launched by CP.

Ruchika obtained a Bachelor of Commerce degree with Honours from Delhi University and also holds Associate Membership of the ICSI.



Vinod Kumar Aggarwal

Vinod Kumar Aggarwal possesses rich and diverse experience of over 50 years, with a forte in Company Law. He currently heads the Research Division of the Group. Previously, he served as the Principal Director of Academics, Professional Development, and Publications and Director of Studies and Research at ICSI. Additionally, he held various positions, such as Dean at ICSI-Centre of Corporate Research and Training in Navi Mumbai, Officiating Secretary, and Principal Advisor to ICSI.

Vinod was Member of various committees/ Expert Groups set up MCA, SEBI, IGNOU and other bodies. He had been closely associated with the Government of India in framing the Companies Act, 2013 and the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 and the rules made thereunder. He was Member Secretary of the Rule Making Committee for framing rules under the new Companies Bill. He has authored several books, numerous articles, and research papers. Vinod has acted as a guest speaker at various prestigious forums such as ICSI, ICAI, IICA, IGNOU, DU, BHU, Management Institutes. He is a Member of the Company Law Committee of PHDCCI.

Vinod an alumnus of SRCC, possesses master's degree in Commerce.

# Journey Of 20 Years

**OUR LEGACY** 

500+

Mergers

650+

**ESOP** Advisories

3000+

Opinions and Advisories

3000+

**Valuations** 

450+

Audits & Diligences

1000+

Capital Market Transactions

1000+

Disputes & Litigations

500+

Regulatory Approvals

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