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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

- Over 8 (eight) years experience in Corporate & Commercial Law
 - Sector expertise in education and real estate
 - Solid understanding of matters related to Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), Mergers & Acquisitions, listing of corporate on global stock exchanges, Corporate/Commercial Law
 - Law Post Graduate from Deakin University, Australia with Distinction
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WORK EXPERIENCE

Independent Corporate Lawyer/ Consultant (August 2013- Present)

Working as a freelancer for a select group of clients on company law related matters, foreign investment, general corporate and commercial and legal compliance work.

Selection of work done:

- Advised on laws pertaining to property law and tourism industry in India;
- Assisted in contract management for clients in the real estate and hospitality sector;
- Advised a client regarding a joint venture transaction in the real estate sector (development of a residential colony) and drafted relevant documents/agreements in relation to such transaction;
- Advised a client with respect to investment in a technology based company and carried out due diligence on behalf of the client;
- Advised clients with respect to company law matters and foreign investment in India; and
- Advised companies regarding corporate compliance work.

Educomp Infrastructure & School Management Ltd (Educomp Group), Gurgaon, India

AGM-Legal (December 2011-July 2013)

- Managed the legal affairs of the Company and other companies in the Group;
- Handled contract management, legal structuring and legal compliance work for the Company and group companies;

- Drafted all documentation in relation to Joint venture transactions and other business transactions of the Company;
- Handled all legal issues/inquiries and drafted different type of agreements for all departments in the Company; and
- Liasoned with external counsels in concern with management of litigation of Educomp Group.

Fox Mandal Little & Co, Noida (National Capital Region, Delhi), India

Senior Associate (January 2010- March 2011)

Areas of Practice

Capital Markets

- Assisted the Partner in advising clients on all aspects of making a public offer in an international market, on issues ranging from Indian exchange control regulations, securities regulations, taxation, repatriation and utilization of proceeds etc;
- Conducted legal due diligence in the context of the disclosure to be made by the issuer in the registration statement/prospectus;
- Drafted/reviewed requisite documents/agreements for Rights issue, GDR and FCCB issue;
- Advised on the procedure for buyback of FCCB with special attention to relevant Indian laws, guidelines and regulations; and
- Advised on issues/inquiries under Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulation, 1997 and other regulations.

Foreign Investment in India

- Advised the clients on formulating entry strategy for India with focus on laws applicable to setting up of operations in India;
- Assisted the Partner in advising domestic and foreign clients in setting up joint ventures in India or overseas, including issues that are of critical significance to a joint venture, such as the nature of the entity to be set up, the inter-se rights between the joint venture parties and the Indian legal, tax and exchange control implications;
- Assisted clients in filing applications and obtaining clearances, with the various regulatory authorities, such as Foreign Investment Promotion Board, Reserve Bank of India, etc.; and
- Advised on issues/inquiries with regard to Regulations for exchange control and Regulations on foreign investment.

General Corporate and Commercial

- Assisted the Partner in advising companies on the legal, regulatory and tax aspects of doing business in India;
- Assisted companies in the structuring and setting up of operations in India;
- Assisted in incorporation of the company by drafting of and filing the relevant incorporation documents with the Registrar of Companies (RoC);
- Assisted in advising corporates on an on-going basis on the legal and regulatory issues of day-to-day general nature, including issues relating to the quorum, location, composition, agenda and resolutions for meetings of the board of directors and shareholders;
- Advised on employment matters pertaining to Labour laws;
- Drafted Agreements as per the nature of the transaction; and
- Advised on filings with regulatory authorities with respect to overseas investments by Indian parties.

Mergers and Acquisitions

- Assisted the Partner in structuring the domestic and cross-border acquisition, with focus on issues such as tax management, determining the type of SPV, jurisdiction of SPV, type of instruments;
 - Assisted the Partner in advising on securities and corporate law issues and requirements, such as Takeover Code, listing and regulatory requirements;
 - Advised on statutory filings with RoC, regulatory authorities;
 - Conducted legal due diligence; and
 - Drafted and reviewed term-sheet, acquisition agreements, shareholder agreement, escrow agreement, employment agreement etc.
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KR Chawla & Co., Advocates, New Delhi

Senior Associate (January-2008 to December 2009)

- *Advised both Indian and international clients from diverse sectors on matters in relation to Foreign Investment in India, Mergers and Acquisitions.*
 - *Advised companies on general corporate legal compliances;*
 - *Assisted Indian listed companies with respect to international listings in the form of GDR/FCCBs;*
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**Office of Lokesh Puri, Senior Lawyer
Punjab, India**

Associate Advocate (October 2007-December 2007)

Worked on civil, motor accident claim tribunal and Negotiable Instrument Act matters.

Chawla and Co. Advocates, New Delhi, India

Associate Advocate (September, 2005 – January, 2006)

Worked on civil and corporate matters and assisted in drafting and review of contracts.

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Co-authored articles in India Business Law Journal on direct taxation in India on issues such as “careful structuring reduces tax on foreign companies”, “Taxing services provided by seconded employees”; “Permanent establishment determined by contracts”; “Deals through off-shore jurisdiction may be tax- liable”.
 - Co-authored articles in Globe, publication of LawExchange International on issues such as “Competition Law in India”, “Computation of Total Foreign Direct Investment in Indian Companies in terms of Press Note No 2 (2009 Series)”.
 - Co- speaker at a presentation held at National University of Singapore for the law students on the topic “*Laws for Investing in India*”.
 - Attended the Legal Net Link Alliance (a global alliance of general practice independent law firms) Conference in July 2009, at Belgium, Europe.
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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2006 – 2007 Master of Laws, (Corporate and Commercial Laws) Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia

2000-2005 Bachelor of Laws (LLB), Symbiosis Law College, Pune, India
