



INDIALAW

# Corporate & Commercial

Leading Corporate Law Firm in India for M&A, Fund Structuring, and SEBI Matters

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## Overview

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IndiaLaw provides comprehensive legal services throughout the lifecycle of a corporation, from the very incorporation stage to addressing complex legal aspects involved in every stage of corporate evolution. Our expert team is adept at offering regular guidance to companies on their business and legal concerns, as well as providing valuable assistance and advice on intricate transactions. With a strong foundation in corporate laws, investment laws, taxation, competition laws, regulatory regimes, and a deep understanding of diverse sectors, we possess the capability to adeptly navigate complexities involved in transactions in a highly pragmatic manner.

## Our Services

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1. Structuring of Coporate Transaction, M&A advisory
2. Coporate Due Diligence
3. Company incorporation and compliance
4. Drafting/Reviewing/Negotiating Shareholders Agreement, Share Purchase Agreement, Share Subscription Agreement, Joint Venture Agreement
5. Drafting Scheme of Arrangement
6. Advie on foreign investment and overseas investment
7. Setting up of funds and AIFs
8. Fund documentation
9. Obtaining regulatory approvals such SEBI, RBI, Competition Commission etc.
10. Advising on completion law issue
11. Drafting Non-Disclosure Agreement, Non-compete Agreement
12. Drafting Business Sale Agreement, Asset Purchase Agreement
13. Drafting of distribtribution agreements, license agreements, manufacturing agreements
14. Drafting Employment Agreement, Consultancy Agreement
15. Drafting Website/App terms and conditions, privacy policy, software development contract

## Key Highlights

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### Merges and Acquisitions, Joint Venture, Private Equity Transactions

- **Transaction Structuring and Advisory:** We advise corporates, funds and investors on corporate transactions such as Merges and Acquisitions, joint Venture, Private Equity Transactions etc. We advise clients on transaction structuring in accordance with legal and regulatory regime in India such as Companies Act, Foreign Exchange Management Act, Security Contract Regulations, Competition Act, Intellectual Property Laws, Income Tax Act, Stamp Act and rules and regulation under such laws.
- **Corporate Due Diligence:** Corporate due diligence is an integral part of corporate transaction, and with our expertise in laws and understanding of sector, we are adept in handling due diligence on a time bound manner.
- **Transaction documentation:** We are expert in drafting, reviewing, negotiating and executing corporate transaction documents such as terms sheet, share purchase agreement, share subscription agreement, shareholders agreement, business transfer agreements, asset purchase agreements, voting right agreement, non-compete agreement, non-disclosure agreement, scheme of arrangement, employment agreement, transition support agreement etc

### Foreign Direct Investment and Overseas Investment

Our team is experienced in handling cross-border investment, advising on foreign exchange laws, overseas investment laws, DTAAAs etc., and obtaining approvals from regulatory authorities such as RBI, SEBI, Competition Commission etc.

### Setting up of Funds

Our expertise includes setting up investment funds, AIFs; obtaining approvals and registration of funds; drafting fund documents etc.

## General Corporate and Commercial Law Advisory

We advise many corporates on day-to-day basis on various aspects of corporate and Commercial laws drafting of various kinds of contracts; handling compliances; advising on employee issues, lease deeds etc.

## Startup and Fintech Advisory

We have a special team focusing on start-up and fin-tech advisory. We provide tailor-made solutions to start up / fintech with special emphasis on their requirements. We advise startup/fintech on their registration, early and late-stage fund raising, employee agreements, ESOP, terms and conditions for website and application, non-discourse agreements, etc.

Whether a sensitive merger or acquisition, cross-border investments or the regulations enforced on them, INDIALAW keeps vigilant and wise, handling your affairs with our sharp eye for detail. We structure, negotiate and then document the financing seamlessly for you. Our expertise spans over:

## Key Professionals



**Shiju P V**  
Managing Partner



**Rahul Sundaram**  
Partner



**Shrishail Kittad**  
Senior Partner



**Abha Shah**  
Partner



**Dinesh Gupta**  
Partner



**Arun Mani**  
Partner

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q1 What does corporate and commercial legal practice cover in India?

It spans the full lifecycle of a business, from incorporation and regulatory filings with MCA to structuring M&A transactions, joint ventures, private equity investments, shareholder arrangements, fund formation, and ongoing commercial contract advisory across sectors.

### Q2 When should a company engage corporate legal counsel in India?

Ideally before any significant event: a new funding round, acquisition, joint venture, entry of a foreign investor, or expansion into a regulated sector. Early involvement helps structure the transaction efficiently and reduces the risk of regulatory non-compliance down the line.

### Q3 Which Indian regulators and statutes govern corporate transactions?

The Companies Act 2013 and MCA rules form the backbone. Cross-border deals attract FEMA and RBI regulations. Transactions above prescribed thresholds require CCI approval. Sector-specific activities may need SEBI, IRDAI, or other sectoral regulator clearances.

### Q4 What is a typical timeline for completing an M&A transaction in India?

A straightforward acquisition may close in 8 to 12 weeks, covering due diligence, negotiation, and definitive agreements. Deals requiring CCI approval, NCLT sanctioned schemes, or RBI filings can extend to 5 to 7 months depending on complexity and regulatory queue times.

### Q5 What documents should a company prepare before engaging corporate counsel?

Key items include the certificate of incorporation, current MoA and AoA, existing shareholder agreements, cap table, board and shareholder resolutions, latest audited financials, material contracts, regulatory licences, and details of any pending litigation or disputes.

**Q6**

### What common mistakes do companies make in corporate transactions in India?

Frequent pitfalls include incomplete FEMA compliance for foreign investment, missing CCI filing deadlines, poorly drafted non-compete and non-solicit clauses that are unenforceable, and neglecting to align the SHA with the AoA, which can create conflicting governance provisions.

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