



21st International Tax Conference

10th October 2024 | New Delhi



Overview of the Conference

ASSOCHAM has always aimed to enhance awareness of topical issues that confront today's business enterprises. Taxes remain an undeniable part of our lives, shaping economic growth, driving social initiatives, and influencing business decisions. The integration of technology into the realm of taxation is reshaping how we approach tax compliance, planning, and strategy.

To evolve a greater understanding of the emerging tax landscape, its impact, and possible approaches to deal with it with the industry members, **ASSOCHAM** is organizing its **21**st**nternational Tax Conference** as per the below schedule:

Topics for the Discussion

- Comprehensive review of the Income Tax Act, 1961 -Holding the Crystal Ball!
- New Global Tax Rules Pillar 1 and Pillar 2
- Recent Developments in Indian Taxation

- Deals and Cross-Border Transactions
- Tax Technology & Generative Al
- Enforcement at the Crossroads: PMLA, Benami Law & Black Money Act

Eminent Speakers



Mr. Vivek Aggarwal*
Additional Secretary
Department of Revenue
Ministry of Finance



Mr. Mukesh Verma
Chief Commissioner of Income Tax
(International Taxation)
New Delhi
Ministry of Finance



Mr. Amitav DGIT (Systems) Delhi Ministry of Finance



Mr. Raman Chopra
Joint Secretary (TPL-I)
Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)
Ministry of Finance



Mr. K Balasubramanian Joint Secretary (TPRU) Department of Revenue Ministry of Finance



Mr. Chetan Rao Commissioner of Income Tax (Transfer Pricing)-3, New Delhi Ministry of Finance



Mr. Pramod Kumar Former Vice President Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT)



Mr. Akhilesh Ranjan Price Waterhouse & Co LLP, Former Member - CBDT



Mr. Ashwani Taneja Ex- Member ITAT & Founder Prudent Law Chambers LLP



Mr. Sandip Shah Head - International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) & Strategy Department GIFT City



Mr. Rakesh Nangia Chairman, National Council on International Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Chairman, Nangia Andersen India Pvt. Ltd.



Mr. Sandeep Chaufla Chairman, National Council on Direct Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Partner Price Waterhouse & Co LLP



Mr. Atul Puri
Co-chair, National Council
on International Taxes,
ASSOCHAM & Managing Partner
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Mr. Vikas Vasal Co-chair National Council on Direct Taxes, ASSOCHAM



Mr. Vineet Agrawal Co-chair, National Council on Direct Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Sr. EVP and Group Head (Taxation& Ethics), JSW Group



Mr. Rahul Garg Advisor, National Council on Direct Taxes, ASSOCHAM



Mr. Manish Agarwal Global Tax Head Bharti Group



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Mr. Subodh Jain Sr Vice President (Global Head of Tax) HCL Technologies



Mr. Akhil Choudhary CEO & Managing Partner Vaco Binary Semantics



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10.00 a.m 11.15 a.m.	Inaugural Session
Welcome Address	Mr. Sandeep Chaufla, Chairman National Council on Direct Taxes ASSOCHAM
Theme Address	Mr. Rahul Garg, Advisor, National Council on Direct Taxes ASSOCHAM
Inaugural Address	Mr. Vivek Aggarwal*, Additional Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance
Vote of Thanks	Mr Atul Puri, Co-Chair, National Council on International Tax ASSOCHAM
11:15 a.m 12.00 p.m.	Session 1: Panel Discussion on Comprehensive Review of the Income tax Act, 1961 – Holding the Crystal Ball!
What is it likely to hold, focusing on simplification and reducing compliance burdens for the taxpayers. Importance of aligning with global (tax) transparency and other standards.	Session Chairman Mr. Akhilesh Ranjan, Price Waterhouse & Co LLP, Former member - CBDT
	Session Moderator Mr. Rakesh Nangia, Chairman National Council on International Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Chairman, Nangia Andersen India Pvt. Ltd.
	Panelist: Mr. K Balasubramanian, Joint Secretary, TPRU, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance Mr. Vineet Agrawal, Co-chair, National Council on Direct Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Sr. EVP and Group Head (Taxation& Ethics), JSW Group
12.00 p.m 12.15 p.m.	Networking Tea/ Coffee Break
12.15 p.m 1.00 p.m.	Session 2: Panel Discussion on "New Global Tax Rules - Pillar 1 and Pillar 2"
 Overview of the current global status, India's position and MNE readiness. Role of OECD and UN in shaping global tax policies. 	Session Chairman: Mr. Mukesh Verma, Chief Commissioner of Income Tax (International Tax) New Delhi, Ministry of Finance
	Session Moderator: Mr. Sandeep Chaufla, Chairman National Council on Direct Taxes ASSOCHAM & Partner, Price Waterhouse & Co LLP
	Panelist: Mr. Chetan Rao, Commissioner of Income Tax (Transfer Pricing)-3, New Delhi, Ministry of Finance Mr. Subodh Jain, Sr Vice President (Global Head of Tax), HCL Technologies
1:00 p.m. – 1.45 p.m.	Session 3: Panel Discussion on "Recent Developments in Indian Taxation"
Key controversies and cross- border issues, including Beneficial Ownership (BO), Tax Residency Certificates (TRC), Principal Purpose Test (PPT), and General Anti-Avoidance Rules (GAAR) with case studies and recent rulings/ jurisprudence.	Session Chairman: Mr. Raman Chopra, Joint Secretary, TPL-I, CBDT, Ministry of Finance
	Session Moderator: Mr. Atul Puri, Co-Chair, National Council on International Tax ASSOCHAM & Managing Partner & Co-Founder, SW India
	Panellist: Mr. Pramod Kumar, Former Vice President, Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) Mr. Manish Agarwal, Global Tax Head- Bharti Group
1:45 p.m 2.30 p.m.	Lunch Break
2.30 p.m 3.15 p.m.	Session 4: Panel Discussion on "Deals and Cross-Border Transactions
 Analysis of inbound and outbound investment structures. GIFT city - current status and further steps needed to achieve true financial success. Reverse migration of start-ups to India - how to expedite through more favourable tax and regulatory framework. 	Session Chairman: Mr. Sandip Shah, Head - IFSC & Strategy Dept, GIFT City
	Session Moderator: Mr. Vikas Vasal, Co-Chairman, National Council on Direct Taxes ASSOCHAM
	Panellist: Mohd Haroon Qureshi, SVP and Head of Tax – Asia Pacific, Genpact Mr. Prashant Kapoor, Partner, KPMG India
3.15 p.m 4.00 p.m.	Session 5: Panel Discussion on "Tax Technology & Generative AI
Leveraging Gen AI, future implications for tax managers, expectations and challenges for the new-age CFO.	Session Chairman: Mr. Amitav, DGIT (Systems), Delhi, Ministry of Finance
	Session Moderator: Mr. Prashanth Agarwal, Partner, Tax & Regulatory Services, PricewaterhouseCoopers Private Limited
	Panellist: Mr. Akhil Choudhary, CEO & Managing Partner, Vaco Binary Semantics Mr. Rakesh Vij, Founder and CEO, Truminds Software Systems
4.00 p.m 4.40 p.m.	Session 6: Fireside Chat on Enforcement at the Crossroads: PMLA, Benami Law & Black Money Act

The conversation will explore the growing convergence between the anti-money laundering law in India. Through recent cases and judicial rulings, the speakers will examine how these laws work together to combat tax evasion, money laundering, and undisclosed wealth, both domestically and internationally. The discussion will cover enforcement trends, procedural overlaps, and the impact of the latest judicial rulings on the future of financial compliance and regulatory oversight in India.

Moderator:

Mr. Rakesh Nangia

Chairman National Council on International Taxes, ASSOCHAM & Chairman, Nangia Andersen India Pvt. Ltd.

Mr. Ashwani Taneja

Advocate, (Ex- Member ITAT) & Founder- Prudent Law Chambers LLP

4.40 pm

Concluding remarks & wrap up with Tea/Coffee

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