Chase Legal LLP is a full-service law firm with offices in New Delhi and Mumbai. The firm offers specialized legal services to its clientele in multiple domains:

Corporate and M&A (Mergers and Acquisitions, Foreign Direct Investments, Public & Private Takeovers, Asset Sale & Purchase, Joint Ventures, Court/NCLT sanctioned Scheme of Amalgamation & Arrangement, Group Restructuring, Privatization, Private Equity, Project Finance, Capital Market);

Company formation and advisory related to NGOs/Not-for-profit Companies, Section 8 companies, Societies and Trusts, Partnerships, LLPs, Insolvency & Bankruptcy, Trademarks and Patents, Competition/Anti-Trust laws, Consumer Protection;

**Taxation** (Direct and Indirect);

Regulatory (RBI, SEBI, FSSAI, RERA, FCRA etc.);

Advisory Services related to Entry into India - FDI Guidelines, Market Regulations, Business Structuring and Due Diligence;

**Disputes** (Dispute Resolution, Arbitration, Courts and Tribunals etc.) and **Litigation Support**;

**Real Estate** (transactions ranging from acquisition of real estate, development, leasing, funding, title search, due diligence and regulatory compliances);

**Contract Management** (involving end-to-end management of commercial and business contracts through the entire business cycle);

The firm and its partners have expertise in assisting clients in complex transactions involving mergers & acquisitions, both domestic and cross border. Understanding our clients' business needs coupled with a strong understanding of accounting, financial and tax matters give us the added advantage of identifying, comprehending, and mitigating risks.

The firm consists of highly skilled lawyers who have developed significant expertise in drafting/negotiating various types of commercial/transactional agreements and contracts for joint venture, technical collaboration/licensing, shareholders and share purchase, business transfer, non-compete, escrow, franchise and distribution, agency, framework, channel partner, end-user license, development, leave and license. lease. software development, power purchase, construction, supply manufacturing, business collaboration, erection & commissioning, service/master service, employment, loans and other such diverse arenas.

The firm's clientele has ranged from start-ups to companies at the higher end of maturity and sophistication spectrum and is spread over diverse industries viz. financial services & banking, e-commerce, technology and media, food processing, health care and pharmaceuticals, engineering, infrastructure, mining, education and skill development, agriculture, aviation, real estate, and energy.

Delivery of client satisfaction through pragmatic solutions based on industry experience and a committed partnership approach to servicing, by combining clarity, accessibility, and responsiveness, is the ethos that drives the firm.

## Profile of lawyers:

**Jaya Rukhaiyar** (Partner), LL.B. from Government Law College, Mumbai University, and Master's in Business Laws from National Law School of India University, Bangalore.

Enrolled with the Bar Council of Maharashtra & Goa since April 2002, Jaya has over 19 years of experience in the practice areas of general corporate, real estate, labour and employment including litigation, advisory and due diligence, with premier Indian law firms like Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas (Delhi and Mumbai offices), Dua Associates, Hyderabad and US-based legal process outsourcing companies such as Mumbai-based Mindcrest, Hyderabad-based Quislex and Visapro LLC, and Noida and Mumbai-based Pangea3, a division of Thomson Reuters.

Jaya assists Indian startups through a not-for-profit company I4 Mentors' Foundation, a collaborative effort between Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Bangalore, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi and other premier institutions in corporate management, drafting and negotiation of contracts and advising them on statutory compliances. As an advisor to the Alliance for an Energy Efficient Economy (AEEE), a leading organization in India for creating awareness about energy efficiency as a resource, a policy advocacy and energy efficiency market enabler with a not-for-profit motive, Jaya has been assisting them in corporate management, drafting and negotiation of contracts and advising them on statutory compliances and Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (FCRA) related issues. Jaya has advised cKinetics Consulting Services Private Limited with offices in New Delhi, India and Cupertino, California that provides end-to-end solutions for mainstreaming resource sustainability solutions within investors and businesses on Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 (FCRA) related issues and Neeti Foundation, an independent think tank registered under the Indian Trust Act, 1882, which acts as a public policy and advocacy platform involved in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects. Jaya assists the procurement team of The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (IPG), a Fortune 500 US company, which is one of the world's premier global advertising and marketing services companies in managing end-to-end management of commercial and business contracts through the entire business

cycle. Empanelled with NBCC (India) Limited, Jaya's other clientele are travel company like Jetways Travels Pvt. Ltd., a Dabur Group of Companies and start-up companies such as a US based start-up company sWorks Inc. and Indian start-ups like Good Flippin Foods Private Limited, sRide Tech Private Limited, Ri Networks Private Limited, Trademill Technologies Private Limited, Kromozones Software Private Limited (Mind Your Fleet) and Nutritatva Foods Private Limited (an innovative food tech start-up based out of Gurgaon since 2016).

Jaya has advised on domestic and cross-border mergers & acquisitions, foreign direct investments, asset sale and purchase, joint ventures, group restructuring, public and private takeovers, private equity deals, corporate governance, and general corporate laws. She has also advised on several corporate and shareholder disputes, corporate insolvency matters as well as restructuring, under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016. She has significant experience in drafting/negotiating various types of corporate, commercial, and transactional documents as well as other contracts and litigation documentation. Consummate in company law, real estate, labour law and employment law, Jaya has advised on large transactions entailing adherence to statutory compliances and has performed real estate, corporate, finance and employment due diligence of companies (public and private) and evaluated potential risks related to investments and business or asset transfer from a statutory and strategic perspective. She has extensive experience in dealing with corporates and multinationals including the acquisition of Jaiprakash Associates' cement units spread over multiple states by Ultratech Industries, real estate due diligence for the Gurgaon property of DLF Limited on the instructions of Facebook India Online Services Private Limited, and the acquisition of the wholly owned subsidiary of the Mumbai-based real estate company, Phoenix Mills by Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB).

**Akash Rukhaiyar** (Partner), LL.B. from Faculty of Law, University of Delhi; Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Mathematics from St. Stephens College, University of Delhi, and Post Graduate Diploma in Management from the Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore.

Akash has over 30 years of corporate experience in the areas of Corporate & Investment Banking, Strategy Consulting, Technology and Business Process

Outsourcing, Infrastructure, Real Estate, General Management, Regulatory & Public Affairs. Organisations he has worked with include ANZ Grindlays Bank, JP Morgan Chase, Reliance Capital, Ernst & Young Consulting, Feedback Infrastructure and Accenture. Akash has been a Management and Regulatory Affairs consultant for Flytech Aviation, Narne Estates (Hyderabad) and Rajasthan Venture Capital Fund. He has provided regulatory advisory services to Chase India (www.chase-india.com) for its clients including Google, BP, AMD, Barry Callebaut, IIa Technologies, BMW, Dell, and McAfee.

Akash has significant experience in handling a variety of corporate commercial transactions in the nature of mergers & acquisitions, foreign direct investments, joint ventures, capital markets and corporate restructurings, including matters related to general corporate, banking, commercial disputes and money suits, economic offences, service matters and matters relating to Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016 before the NCLT. Akash's clientele included Indian Sugar Exim Corporation, various not-for-profit organisations, the payment settlement company Pine Labs, Avis India, start-up companies such as sRide Tech Private Limited, Trademill Technologies Private Limited, Kromozones Software Private Limited (Mind Your Fleet) and Pearl Infrastructure Limited.

Akash has been a trustee of Neeti Foundation (www.neeti.foundation), an independent think tank registered under the Indian Trust Act, 1882, which acts as a public policy and advocacy platform and is involved in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects.

Akash is also a mentor for the Goldman Sachs 10000 Women initiative, which is being run by N.S. Raghavan Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning (NSRCEL) of IIM Bangalore as well as for Indian startups through a not-for-profit company I4 Mentors' Foundation, to which he provides legal consulting.

**Manoj Naudiyal** (Co-Counsel), Advanced LL.M in International Tax Law from University of Leiden, Netherlands; Master of Business Laws (MBL) from NLSIU, Bangalore; LL.B. from Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, and a B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering from JMI, Delhi.

Manoj is enrolled with the Bar Council of Delhi and is also a qualified and registered Patent Agent with the IP Office of Govt. of India. He has over 6 years of experience as a Legal Counsel and Specialist/Consultant. He specialises in International Tax, Digital Taxation, Transfer Pricing, BEPS compliant Corporate International Tax Planning, Contract Law, and Patent Law. He has advised clients on International Tax and Transfer Pricing issues including application and interpretation of Tax Treaties/DTCs, BEPS 1.0, 2.0, EU tax law, US international tax law, debt and equity financing, cross-border transaction planning and structuring, inbound and outbound investment planning, IP Taxation, as well as transfer and valuation of HTVIs in sync with BEPS Action Plan 8.

Manoj has also advised on various provisions of the law of contract (including Force Majeure and Frustration of Contracts), CISG 1980, patentability criteria and PCT procedures. He has extensive experience in the drafting, reviewing and negotiation of various types of commercial legal documents including license agreements, writ petitions, written statements and rejoinders. He has represented clients before various forums.

**Braj Kishore Mishra** (Co-Counsel), LL.B. from Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, and Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in Economics from St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi.

Braj is an Advocate-on-Record at the Supreme Court of India. He has dealt with coal mining matters from Jharkhand and environment matters before the Forest Bench of the Supreme Court of India. He also appears before tribunals such as the NCLT and NCLAT.

**Anuj Prakash** (Co-Counsel), LL.B. from Symbiosis Society's Law College, Pune.

Anuj has been enrolled with the Bihar State Bar Council since 2005 and the Supreme Court of India. He is a litigation lawyer with more than 14 years of experience of representing clients in criminal, service and environmental dispute as well as matters related to Prevention of Corruption, Indian Penal Code, Narcotics and Psychotropic Substance Act and Prevention of Money

Laundering Act before the Supreme Court of India and various High Courts. His corporate clientele included Palaash Ventures (investment in Travelkhana.com), Reliance Communications, Reliance Infratel, EKO India Financial Services, Bharosa Club and Trademill Technologies.

**Amol Palkar** (Advisor), Chartered Accountant, MBA from Johnson School, Cornell University, New York, USA and Bachelor of Commerce from Sydenham College, Mumbai University.

Amol has more than 18 years of experience in consulting, fundraising, corporate strategy, market research, corporate governance, and risk management. He has worked with companies such as Cipher Capital, Deloitte Consulting (US), Ernst & Young, ICICI and ASK-Raymond James. He has cofounded OliveRays, a company that created products for institutional equities and investment banks and as the managing partner of Kena Capital, he advises entrepreneurs/owners and promoters in creating business strategy, market scanning and detailed financial strategy.

**Roshan Sahay** (Advisor), MBA from Ateneo University, Manila (Gold medallist) and Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Physics from Patna University.

Roshan has been an Indian Revenue Service officer in the Government of India and retired as a Chief Commissioner of Income Tax. He has also been a Senior Specialist of Sustainable Development and Climate Change, Asian Development Bank, Manila. He was also an Advisor to the Finance Minister of India in 1999-2000. He advises Chase Legal and its clients on regulatory affairs and taxation-related matters.

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