



REMINISCENCES OF ICSI NATIONAL CONVENTIONS



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The best way
to find yourself is
to lose yourself in
the service
of others



Mahatma Gandhi

P R E F A C E

“Focus on the past to celebrate those who created the world as it is today. Focus on the future to imagine the world as it will be tomorrow. Focus on the Present to play your role in the transition.”

For institutions like ours, having formal existence of fifty years and an informal one of many more, celebration of the likes of Golden Jubilee Year National Convention are not just mere events to meet and greet but a reminder of hard work, the efforts and the zeal of a gamut of people who may or may not have been able to make their mark or register their names in the books of history of the Institute and yet have played their mighty roles in giving us an institution as it stands today.

Amongst this long list of people is a smaller sub-set, one which encompasses persons having held significant positions, decision-making powers and those who have played their roles in steering the direction of the ship of the Institute. It is to commemorate the sedulous endeavors of these people that the Institute, as part of the celebrations of the Golden Jubilee year National Convention of Company Secretaries (46th edition) and International Conference (6th edition), is proud to release the Reminiscence of ICSI National Convention spanning over fifty years of its existence.

This special edition dedicated to venerate the Golden jubilee year National Convention of Company Secretaries marking the fifty years of existence of the Institute summarizes the feats, roles and contributions of all the past Presidents, Council Members and Secretaries of the Institute whose thoughtful leadership, passionate ideologies and strenuous efforts have lead to the attainment of this glorious milestone and will keep on motivating all of us toward serving the profession for its betterment.

To quote the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, “Every worthwhile accomplishment, big or little, has its stages of drudgery and triumph: a beginning, a struggle, and a victory”. Flipping through the pages of the glorious history of the Institute, the year 1972 holds extraordinary significance, for it is in this year that the Institute, with an aim of building the capacities of its professional fraternity, initiated the organization of an All India annual and enormous congregation for all its members, students and related stakeholders known as National Convention of Company Secretaries. Held at New Delhi on September 22-23, 1972, the First National Convention of Company Secretaries was inaugurated by the then Hon’ble President of India, Shri V.V. Giri. Since that wondrous occasion, while one of the biggest and momentous events of the year, the National Convention held annually, has marked an outstanding drive of skill augmentation, knowledge updation and capacity building of the professionals in the area of Compliance and Governance, aligning the initiatives of the government towards building the inclusive nation as a whole.

I place on record my earnest admiration to Ms. Akansha Gupta, Executive (Academics) and Mr. Sonu Lakhani, Executive (Academics) for this initiative under the scholastic supervision of Ms. Sonia Bajjal, Director at ICSI.

In the words of Vince Lombardi, “The achievements of an organisation are the results of the combined effort of each individual”. Holding these words in high regard, I would like to thank all those who have been associated with the Institute in all these years. On this blissful and joyous occasion, I pray to the almighty that may we continue the golden journey of success with pride and zealousness!!!

I wish the entire professional fraternity, students and all those associated with the Institute happiness and many more years of success.

Place : New Delhi
Date : 01.08.2018

CS Makarand Lele
President
The Institute of Company Secretaries of India

NATIONAL CONVENTIONS OF COMPANY SECRETARIES

Sl. No.	DATE OF THE CONVENTION	VENUE	THEME
1.	22–23 September, 1972	New Delhi – Ashok Hotel	Secretary - His place in Corporate Management
2.	29 September, 1973	New Delhi – Vigyan Bhawan	Economics and Management of Joint Sector
3.	21 September, 1974	Calcutta – Park Hotel	Management and Profit
4.	13–14 February, 1976	Bombay – Oberoi Sheraton	Code of Conduct for the Professional Manager
5.	5–6 March, 1977	Bangalore – Hotel Ashoka	The Economic Programmes and the Tasks ahead of Corporate Sector
6.	16–17 February, 1978	Panaji, Goa – Kala Academy	The Profession in the 80s.
7.	16–17 February, 1979	Hyderabad – Jubilee Hall	Forthcoming Legislative Changes and the Corporate Sector
8.	14–16 February, 1980	Jaipur – Ravindra Rang Manch	Corporate Growth & the Profession
9.	12–14 February, 1981	Madras – Connemara Hotel	Concept of Public Interest in Corporate legislations
10.	4–6 February, 1982	Bombay – Oberoi Towers	Strategies for Corporate Growth
11.	12–14 February, 1983	New Delhi – Ashok Hotel	The Board and Corporate Management
12.	9–11 February, 1984	Calcutta – Hotel Oberoi Grand	Emerging Role of Company Secretary in Practice

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13.	6–8 February, 1985	Trivandrum – Rabindra Centenary Theatre	New Horizons in Corporate Management
14.	30 January –1 February, 1986	Panaji, Goa – Kala Academy	Emerging Profile of Corporate Growth
15.	26–28 March, 1987	New Delhi – Hotel Ashok	Corporate Financial Management
16.	4–6 February, 1988	Calcutta – Hotel Grand	Company Law – Emerging Trends
17.	2–4 March, 1989	Bangalore – Hotel Ashok	Changing Profile of the Profession and Tasks Ahead
18.	8–10 February, 1990	Bombay – Centaur Hotel	The Profession in the Nineties – Emerging Dimensions
19.	11–13 April, 1991	New Delhi – Hotel Ashok	Strategies for Industrial Growth
*20.	12–14 November, 1992	Calcutta – Hotel Oberoi Grand	Liberalised International Environment
*21.	14–16 October, 1993	Madras – Hotel Park Sheraton	Globalisation of Indian Economy
22.	11–13 August, 1994	Goa – Hotel Cidade de Goa	New Frontiers of International Business and Company Secretary
23.	10–12 November, 1995	Jaipur – B.M. Birla Auditorium	Profession of Company Secretaries in the Liberalised Environment

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24.	28–29 November, 1996	Calcutta – Hotel Oberoi Grand	Vision – 21st Century
*25.	29–31 August, 1997	Hyderabad – Sri Sathya Sai Nigamagamam	Corporate Governance - Global Perspective
26.	12-14 November, 1998	Pune - Balgandharva Rang Mandir	Corporate Laws in the Next Millennium
*27.	9-11 December, 1999	New Delhi - Vigyan Bhawan	International Trade and Cyber Laws
*28.	8-10 September, 2000	Calcutta - Hotel Oberoi Grand	Second Generation at Reforms and Beyond – An International Perspective
29.	13-15 December, 2001	Bangalore - J N Tata Auditorium	Developments in Corporate and Cyber Laws – International Perspective
30.	13-15 November, 2002	Ahmedabad- Tagore Hall, Paldi	Repositioning the Profession in the Changing International Business Environment
31.	11-13 September, 2003	Agra - Jaypee Palace Hotel	Corporate Excellence and Professional Accountability
32.	7-9 October, 2004	Mumbai - Hotel Grand Hyatt	Building Strategies for Future - A Professional's Approach
33.	20-22 October, 2005	Chennai - Chennai Trade Centre	Transforming for Globalisation -Breaking the Barriers
34.	7-9 September, 2006	Kolkata - ITC Sonar Bangla	Reshaping the Profession - Creating New Niches

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35.	20-22 September, 2007	Jaipur - B M Birla Auditorium	Excellence through Business Value Addition
36.	6-8 November, 2008	Goa-Kala Academy	Achieving Excellence through Innovation
37.	5-7 November, 2009	Hyderabad - Marriott Hotel & Convention Centre	Lead Corporate India – Role of Company Secretary
38.	2-4 September, 2010	Kolkata - Swissotel	India Inc. and Inclusive Growth
39.	13-15 October, 2011	Agra - Jaypee Palace Hotel & Convention Centre	Corporate Dynamism & Innovative Professionalism
40.	4-6 October, 2012	Aamby Valley, Aamby Valley City, Pune	Vision 2020 : Transform, Conform and Perform
41.	7-9 November, 2013	Chennai - ITC Grand Chola	Transitioning from Company Secretary to Governance Professional
42.	21-23 August, 2014	Kolkata-Science City	CS - Change, Challenge, Opportunity
43.	17-19 December, 2015	New Delhi - Kempinski Ambience Hotel	Make in India - Innovate, Excel and Grow
44.	17-19 November, 2016	Gandhinagar, Gujarat - Mahatma Mandir Convention Centre	Powering Governance - Empowering Stakeholders CS - The Governance Professional
45.	22-24 November, 2017	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala - Al Saj Convention Centre	Company Secretary : Shaping New India 2022 through Good Governance

*Also celebrated as International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

1st All India Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by
Shri V. V. Giri
President of India

on the theme
'Secretary - His place in Corporate Management'
at Ashok Hotel, New Delhi on September 22, 1972





Shri R. Krishnan, President, ICSI escorting Shri V.V. Giri, Hon'ble President of India



The First National Convention
of Company Secretaries was
held at New Delhi.
Inaugurated by the President
of India Shri V V Giri on 22nd
September 1972

*The President
and Members of the Council of the
Institute of Company Secretaries of India
request the pleasure of your company
at the
Inauguration of the
First All India Convention of
Company Secretaries
by
Shri V V Giri,
President of India
at 09.30 hrs. on
Friday the 22 September, 1972
at the
Ashoka Hotel Convention Hall,
New Delhi.*

R.S.V.P. Secretary

Institute of Company Secretaries of India

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(Programme overleaf)

DELEGATES AND GUESTS ARE REQUESTED TO TAKE THEIR SEATS BY 09.15 HRS.

Excerpts from Inaugural
Address by

Shri V.V. Giri

Hon'ble President of India

Friends

I am thankful to the Institute of Company Secretaries of India, for inviting me to inaugurate the First All India Convention of Company Secretaries. This Convention, I am sure, is only the beginning of your collective effort to place the profession of Company Secretaries on a firm foundation in the system of corporate management in our country.

The profession of Company Secretary although of recent origin in our country, has had its development in some of the Commonwealth countries much earlier, especially in the United Kingdom, where the Company Secretary is a statutory officer in the organisation of the Joint Stock System of business enterprise. In our country, although in the Companies Act, 1956 the term 'Company Secretary' is defined, there is no statutory provision enjoining on every



First National Convention of Company Secretaries on 'Company Secretary - His place in Corporate Management' Inaugurated by Shri V.V. Giri on 22 September, 1972.

company to appoint a Secretary. Despite the statutory recognition of the office of Secretary under the English Law, till recently the Courts have been treating the Company Secretary as a subordinate servant without any ostensible authority to commit the company by his actions. But, there has been a change in this judicial view in recent times and I am happy that the role of a modern Company Secretary is being recognised as that of a responsible managerial executive. Even though it is not mandatory to have a Company Secretary, our Law also recognises the Company Secretary as a responsible officer. In this context, I note that a proposal is now before Parliament to amend the Companies Act of 1956 for incorporating provisions by which the status of Company Secretary is being elevated, the individuality of the office stressed, and it is being made obligatory for every company having a paid up capital of not less than 25 lakhs of rupees, to appoint a Secretary having the prescribed qualifications.

The Corporate sector has assumed great importance in the development of trade, industry and commerce. The Constitution of India confers legislative power on Parliament to enact laws affecting the various aspects of Trade, Commerce and Industry. The policy of the Government in bringing the elaborate provisions regulating the operation of companies on the Statute Book is not so much aimed at controlling the corporate sector as such, but is essentially for the purpose of ensuring that the franchise of incorporated companies is not misused for private gain to the detriment of the common good of the community, indeed, the Directive Principles of State Policy enshrined in our Constitution impose a duty on the State to direct its policy towards securing that the ownership and control of the material resources of the community are so distributed as best to sub-serve the common

good. The State is further enjoined to direct its policy towards securing that the operation of the economic system does not result in the concentration of wealth and means of production to the common detriment.

The social justification for the enactment of Company Law, Rules and procedures, regulating the method of carrying on commercial and industrial activities in the incorporated company form is, that the system controls the production and distribution of goods and rendering of services needed for the welfare of the community. In order to achieve this objective, the Company Law envisages that this paramount corporate responsibility should be vested in the Board of Directors. The top layer of management is, thus, the Board of Directors, and its primary function is to lay down the company policy and ensure execution of the same. The Company Secretary should really function as a senior corporate officer having high responsibilities to assist the Board of Directors. A conscientious and competent Company Secretary has to have a clear idea of the entire range of operations of the organisation which he serves, of the due observance in letter and spirit, of the various statutory provisions which govern or have a bearing on them and of the 'image' which the management presents to the shareholders and the Company as a whole presents to the general public. Your deliberations in this Convention, therefore, have to be conducted in the background of the responsible position your profession has in the scheme of corporate organisation. I have gone through the synopsis of the papers to be presented at this Convention and the topics you will be discussing in the various technical sessions. I am glad that you have not only confined your subjects to purely professional interests, but also included important issues of the day, namely your role in the management of public sector undertakings and also the joint sector.

I am also happy to note that you are going to deliberate on the need for disciplined growth of your profession. This, I suppose, is an obvious corollary to your role in bringing about disciplined growth of corporate management. Your contribution to this growth is essentially dependent on the discipline you are able to bring about in the development of your own profession. I hope you will be able to reach a consensus as to the content and direction of your work as professional corporate officials. A beginning has already been made in recognising your vital role in the functioning of the corporate sector and, I hope, you will be able to suggest further steps necessary to the development of your profession along with the development of the corporate sector and the national economy. I have great pleasure in inaugurating your first Convention and I hope your discussions will prove to be instructive and useful not only to those who are fortunate enough to participate in the Convention, but also to all those who are concerned with the corporate sector in general.

Jai Hind

2nd All India Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri G.S. Pathak

Vice-President of India

on the theme

'Economics and Management of Joint Sector'

at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, on September 29, 1973



The Vice-President of India being escorted to the dais by Justice S. Rangarajan, Judge, Delhi High Court (left) and Shri R. Krishnan, the President of the Institute (right)



Shri G. S. Pathak being introduced to Shri P.B. Menon, Joint Secretary, Department of Company Affairs and Council Member





Inaugural Address by
Shri G. S. Pathak,
Vice-President of India



Shri G. S. Pathak, Vice-President
of India releasing the Souvenir

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri G S Pathak** Hon'ble Vice-President of India

Friends,

I thank the Institute of Company Secretaries of India for inviting me to inaugurate the Second All India Convention of Company Secretaries.

The joint stock system of business and industrial enterprise has been in operation in our country for about 150 years, and it has now become an essential instrument of

our economic progress. The role of Company Secretaries in the organisational and managerial spheres of the corporate sector is now being increasingly recognised. That is why the Government thought it fit to organise the profession of Company Secretaries under the supervision of an autonomous body like the Institute of Company Secretaries of India. I am, therefore, happy that the Institute has arranged the Second All India Convention to discuss the topic of “Joint Sector” in industry and commerce.

The concept of Joint Sector, although currently a topic of public discussion, is not a new concept, in as much as it was inherent in the Industrial Policy Resolution of the Government of India, passed in 1956. As a matter of fact, it must be known to you that the Central and State Governments have in the past contributed to the share capital of certain private sector companies dealing with basic industries either directly or through other Government institutions. Thus in a way the joint sector has already been in existence. The idea has since been thoroughly examined and given a concrete shape in the report of the Industrial Policy Licensing Inquiry Committee.

I hardly need to say that the success of the Joint Sector depends upon the willing cooperation between the participating Government institutions and the private parties. In this respect professional managers in charge of the day-to-day working of the companies will have a significant role to play. Hence, you as an important link in the organisational structure of companies will have an unique opportunity to ensure the success of such ventures. As such, evolving a uniform price policy, assuring free and perfect mobility of the factors of production, managerial freedom and adherence to national policy objectives, are matters on which you will no doubt deliberate in order to have a clear framework within which the joint sector can legitimately function. As I mentioned earlier, the central idea of joint sector must be the cooperation of the public and the private sectors in achieving the common goals of the national economy. In this sense it replaces competition by cooperation, exterior discipline by self-regulation and monopolies by economic leadership. I am, therefore, happy to note that in this Convention you are covering the wider area of both economics and management in the sphere of corporate management in this country.

It hardly need to be said that much more is necessary than mere economic cooperation between the public and private sectors to achieve success in this experiment. It is imperative that an adequate organisation should be evolved to carry out any scheme in this direction. It will not suffice, however, merely to create an organisation as an adjunct to the existing ones. A mere addition of the superstructure at the organisational level cannot ensure the success of the experiment. It is now recognised on all hands that carrying on business with limited liability by promoters and shareholders is not just for making private gain but is primarily to serve a public

purpose. As you are aware, the concept of a welfare state and a socialistic pattern of society emerges from our Constitution which lays down, among other things, that the ownership and control of the material resources of the community should be so distributed as best to subserve the common good. It is also necessary to ensure that the operation of the economic system does not result in the concentration of wealth and means of production to the common detriment. In this context, I would like to emphasise that company directors and other corporate professionals like you not only have a fiduciary duty to safeguard the interests of those whose financial resources they handle, but also to a greater degree the interests of the community in general for meeting the legitimate requirements of goods and services at reasonable costs. Therefore, the motivation for the private entrepreneur to participate in the great task of building our economy through the joint sector should be the discharging of the social responsibilities rather than purely the profit motive.

True economic welfare cannot descend on us merely because we are emotionally motivated to do good to others. A mere conviction that what you are doing is good is not enough. Out of bad implementation, social good itself may be the casualty. I understand that sometimes company managements have attained an almost complete freedom from close ownership control and have indeed fared better in terms of profit, efficiency and growth. Thus the success of the Joint Sector will ultimately depend on the freedom of choice as regards day-to-day management and as regards what we call the truly managerial function on the one hand and adherence to the overall national objectives which we have set for ourselves as the goals of a better tomorrow. In this endeavour the Company Secretaries have excellent opportunity to coordinate the functioning of professional management within the confines of national aspirations and economic policy. To a large extent it is the Company Secretary, as a limb of the top management, who has the foremost duty to advise the Board of directors on all aspects in relation to the carrying on of the affairs of the company in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations. Bearing in mind the proposal contained in the Companies (Amendment) Bill, 1972, presently pending before Parliament, that every company with a paid up capital of Rs. 25 lakhs and above have a qualified Company Secretary. I have no doubt that you will be an instrument in achieving the objectives of the joint sector in industrial enterprise.

I have great pleasure in inaugurating this Second All India Convention and I hope your deliberation will be educative and useful.

Thank you once again.

Jai Hind

3rd All India Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by
Shri Bedabrata Barua
Deputy Minister for Company Affairs
on the theme
'Management & Profit'
at Park Hotel, Calcutta, on September 21, 1974





Convention Committee Members with the Chief Guest Shri Bedabrata Barua, Deputy Minister for Law, Justice and Company Affairs at Park Hotel, Calcutta on 21st September, 1974



Mr. Bedabrata Barua, Deputy Minister for Law, Justice and Company Affairs inaugurating the convention

4th All India Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri H.M. Trivedi

Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Transport & Shipping
on the theme

'Code of Conduct for the Professional Manager'

at Oberoi Sheraton, Bombay on February 13-14, 1976





Reception Committee Members and the President of the Institute, Shri P.A.S. Rao escorting Shri H.M. Trivedi, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Transport & Shipping to the dais for inauguration of the Fourth Convention held on Feb. 13-14, 1976, in Oberoi Sheraton, Bombay



Shri H.M. Trivedi, delivering the inaugural address. Others on the dais are (L to R) H.T. Parek (Chairman ICICI); P.A.S. Rao (President, ICSI); Justice J.L. Nain (Chairman, MRT Commission) and R.S. Shroff (Chairman, Reception Committee & WIRC)

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri H.M. Trivedi

Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Transport & Shipping

I was happy to support the provision incorporated in the statute providing for compulsory appointment of a whole-time qualified secretary in all companies having paid up capital of Rs. 25 lakhs and above. The Government has since issued a notification prescribing the qualifications for a company's secretary. The primary qualification is membership of Institute of Company Secretaries of India...

Company's Secretary is necessarily required to discharge the function of a coordinator. He is thus not only fulfilling the professional role of the housekeeper but is a coordinator of the subordinate executive decisions...

Company's Secretary like any good citizen or every section of professional managers must whole heartedly subscribe to defined national objectives such as promoting the use of indigenous technology, or preventing multi-nationals from interfering in national life or frowning with all his moral wrath on corporate abuses such as adulteration. It is not always that his own values will coincide with those of the corporation or the organisation he belongs to. On many occasions the situation of conflict is bound to arise. If he chooses the easy path of identifying himself with values set for him by the organisation without setting them in the perspective of the code of conduct for himself as a professional manager, he will soon become a mechanism bereft of values either social or personal. As a professional manager it is almost inescapable that certain values must be deeply ingrained in the personality of the company's secretary...

The company's secretary appears to the outside world as the principal officer of the company. He is responsible for performing obligations like signing the balance-sheet, profit and loss account, filing statutory returns, submitting tax returns etc. In the circumstances the public expects the company's secretary to see that the directors of the company have not willingly or otherwise broken faith with the company, the shareholders and the public and that the management has not failed to pay due regard to the obligations to society...

Mahatma Gandhi said, there is no force higher than the moral force of the spirit. If the company's secretary can cultivate his own conscience and project the same in spirit to his corporation, that in itself will constitute the code.

5th All India Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer

Hon'ble Judge, Supreme Court of India

on the theme

"the Economic Programmes and the Tasks ahead of Corporate Sector" at Hotel Ashoka, Bangalore on March 5-6, 1977



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer**

Hon'ble Judge, Supreme Court of India

A ccording to Justice V.R. Krishnan Iyer the company secretary is a 'servant' of the company and of the community. In many countries, he is the chief administrative officer and in India he has some statutory status. His duties are partly statutory and partly governed by a code of conduct...

He is the sentinel on the qui vive, for he is the watch-dog of the community's interest against company director's malpractices. At the same time, he brings into company management new professional capabilities, thus helping to improve the fulfilment of the objectives of the company. He is at once a public servant and private employee; he is at once a member of a professional cadre with its code of conduct and an officer playing a strategic role not merely in complying with the Companies Act and other enactments, but in maximising the production and organising the institution on a new orientation. In short, he is the quiet strategist who can lead the corporate sector to fulfill the new economic programmes that the country expects of the corporate sector.



Shri V.R. Krishna Iyer, Judge, Supreme Court of India, inaugurating the 5th National Convention at Bangalore on 5th March 1977

6th National Convention of Company Secretaries

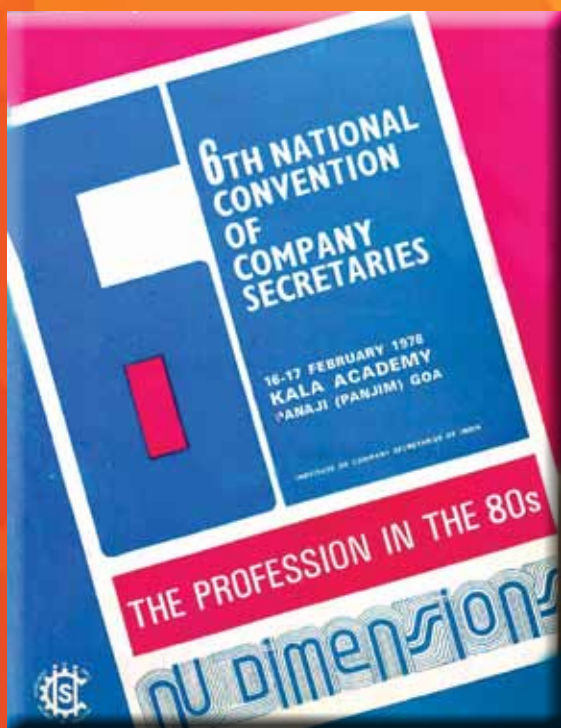
Inaugurated by

Shri Shanti Bhushan

Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice & Company Affairs
on the theme

"The Profession in the 80s"

at Kala Academy, Panaji, Goa on February 16-17, 1978



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri Shanti Bhushan

Minister of Law, Justice & Company Affairs



Shri Shanti Bhushan, Hon'ble Minister for Law, Justice and Company Affairs, inaugurating the 6th National Convention at Goa on 16th February 1978

The profession has attained its rightful place in the corporate organisation, the government has given it statutory recognition by making it obligatory for large-size companies to appoint full-time company secretaries as provided for under section 383A of the Companies Act, 1956 and also making suitable amendment to the definition of 'secretary' under section 2(45) of the said Act under which the government has been empowered to prescribe the qualifications for holding the office of company secretary. Under the revised definition of 'secretary' his functions and duties have been enlarged and today he is looked upon by all concerned as a professional 'administrator' who coordinates the entire range of corporate activities and his presence is felt at every stage, that is from the stage of formulating the corporate policy to the stage of actual implementation thereof.

Excerpts from Address by **Smt. Shashikala Kakodkar**

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa

The company secretarial practice is a profession which has emerged in its own natural right by evolution and I have no doubt that it not only signifies a long felt-need of the corporate world at this stage but also represents an improvement in the functional quality of the activity...

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India has an important role to play in improving the quality of this profession. I understand that yours is an active Institute which brings out a monthly journal for dissemination of information and transfer of experience and generation of new ideas and concepts through a process of dialogue. I have no doubt that you will utilize this opportunity usefully towards that goal.

Excerpts from Valedictory Address by **Shri Narsingh Yadav**

Hon'ble Minister of State for Law, Justice & Company Affairs

Yours is the perhaps the only body which have an organised and legal status in the context of affairs of corporate bodies. And the expectations of the country, the community, the society and the Government of good behavior from companies and the corporate sector, can be fulfilled to a large extent through your good behavior...

More and more professionalism has to be injected in corporate management. A company secretary is an integral part of 'corporate management'. In his functioning, he is exposed to various management functions and though usually, his position is that of a 'staff' functionary and not a 'line' functionary, the secretary is an essential link between the top management or the Board of directors on the one hand and the rest of the organisation on the other hand.

7th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

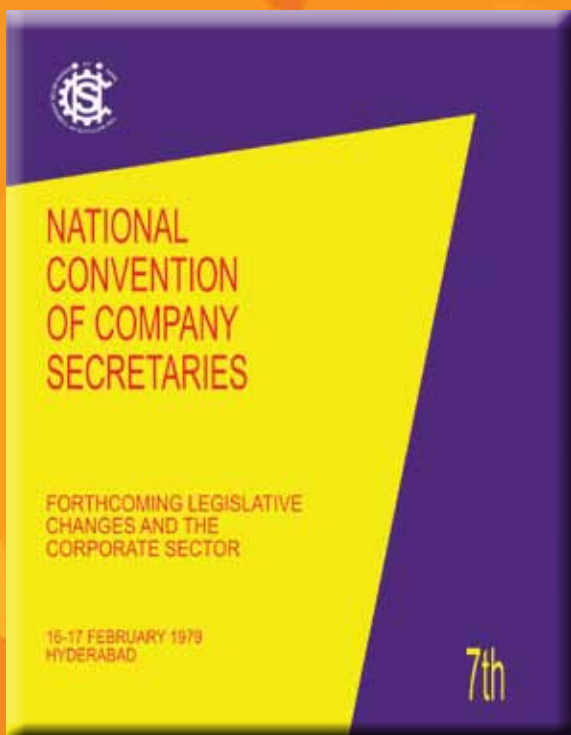
Shri K.C. Abraham

Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh

on the theme

"Forthcoming Legislative Changes and the Corporate Sector"

at Jubilee Hall, Hyderabad on February 16-17, 1979



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri K.C. Abraham**

Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh



**Shri K.C. Abraham, Governor of Andhra Pradesh
being led in to inaugurate the convention**



**Shri C.R. Shah, President of the Institute
welcoming Shri Abraham with a bouquet**



**Shri V. Basavaraju, Chairman, SIRC
proposing a vote of thanks**

Efficient functioning of the corporate sector was an important factor in the national attempt to achieve rapid economic progress and company secretaries would have to continuously keep themselves abreast of all such developments which had a vital bearing on such efforts...

The major thrust in the economic policy was aimed at establishing a new social order with a balance between the cottage and small scale industries on one hand and the medium and large scale industries on the other hand. In that exciting adventure the services of professional expertise of company secretaries on a whole-time basis would be of tremendous value.

Shri Abraham pointed out that the Institute and the members should prepare themselves to discharge the new social responsibilities by extending the benefit of their professional expertise to the vast multitude of the small organizations for their sustained growth and continued prosperity...

The objective of corporate management has always to be sound and efficient management, better deal for consumers and harmonious industrial relationship. In promoting the objective, the profession of company secretaries which is an essential tool and aid to proper corporate management has a vital role.

8th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Dr. L.M. Singhvi

President, Supreme Court Bar Association

on the theme

“Corporate Growth and the Profession”

at Ravindra Rang Manch, Jaipur on February 14-16, 1980





Dr. L.M. Singhvi, President, Supreme Court Bar Association being received by the Reception Committee Members



Shri P.R. Roy, Vice-President of the Institute introducing the chief guest and others to the participants. Members seen are (L to R) Shri Jamshed N. Guzder, President Elect. Indian Merchants Chambers, L.M Singhvi, Shri R. Rajagopalan President of the Institute and Shri V.M. Dave, Chairman, Jaipur Chapter.

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Dr. L.M. Singhvi

President, Supreme Court Bar Association



Shri R. Rajagopalan delivering the welcome address. Seated on the dais are (L to R) Sarvashri P.R. Roy, Jamshed N. Guzder and Dr. L.M. Singhvi

Dr. L.M. Singhvi describe the Institute as a symbol of a new and emerging professionalism in corporate management, and that company secretaries have come to be the eyes and ears of corporate boards and often function as the company's memory bank...

Dr. Singhvi said that secretary was a specialist among generalists and a generalist among specialists, the conscience-keeper of the corporate sector and had to perform a variety of roles which liken him to a cook, a valet, a manager and a priest all rolled into one...

Explaining the crucial role played by the company secretary, Dr. Singhvi observed that he has to monitor and interpret information; keep a vigilant eye on the functioning of the company and the maintenance of its accounts and minutes; has to ensure the compliance of a vast congeries of laws, notifications, circulars and instructions.

Further, a company secretary has to endeavour to avoid communication gaps between the company's bureaucrats and technocrats on the one hand and the apex decision-making management on the other, and should have the capacity to be an effective bridge between the two...

He said that it should be possible for company secretaries to appear in certain tribunals in matters involving corporate problems and hoped that in 1980s they may increasingly become a practising profession.

9th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by
Shri Sadiq Ali

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu

on the theme

"Concept of Public Interest in Corporate Legislations"
at Connemara Hotel, Madras on February 12-14, 1981



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri Sadiq Ali

Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu

Pointing out that the private sector had also been for one reason or another, robbed of a good deal of its private character Shri Sadiq Ali said that the private sector functioning had to be in consonance with the larger social and economic objectives the country had placed before itself. The idea of a company secretary which was later embodied in the Act was an expression of this total trend in the industrial development of the country, he added. The duties and functions of a company secretary are indicated in the legislation which clearly reflected the importance, status and influence in shaping the fortunes of the company, but much would depend upon the vision he brought to bear on the responsibilities of his office as he was a link between the board and the management.

He further said that it would take some time for a new firm base to be created which would fit in with our democratic concepts as well as the technology and it was in this context that the company secretary's role acquired great importance. As economic growth was bound up with the growth of science and technology not only in India but also in the rest of the world, it was necessary that the professional bodies like the ICSI should keep track of changes that took place in the country and abroad and suggest adaptations.



The Governor lighting the Kuthuvilakku (lamp) as a symbol of formal inauguration.



At the invocation (L to R) D.B. Saxena, P.L. Tandon, P.R. Roy, H.E. Sadiq Ali, K.N. Modi and P.P. Mistry



His Excellency Shri Sadiq Ali, Governor of Tamil Nadu, delivering the inaugural address

10th National Convention of Company Secretaries

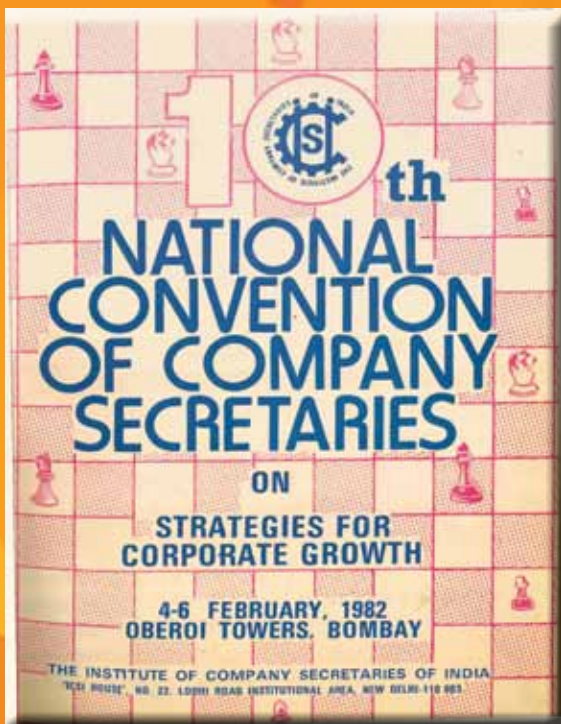
Inaugurated by

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Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri O.P. Mehra

Former Governor of Maharashtra & Air Chief Marshal (Retd)



Shri O.P. Mehra inaugurating the Convention by lighting the lamp

The essence of management was managing men; if one could manage men, they would manage everything. To achieve this Shri Mehra suggested a humane approach tempered with fair play and firmness...

Dealing with professionalisation of management he said that professionalisation was the creed if technological revolution was to take place in this country. Company secretaries being professional administrators bridge gap between precept and practice and were the link between the legislative intent and corporate goals...



Shri O.P. Mehra delivering the inaugural address. Others seen are (L to R) D.B. Saxena, P.P. Mistry and Dr. A.N. Ganguly

11th National Convention of Company Secretaries

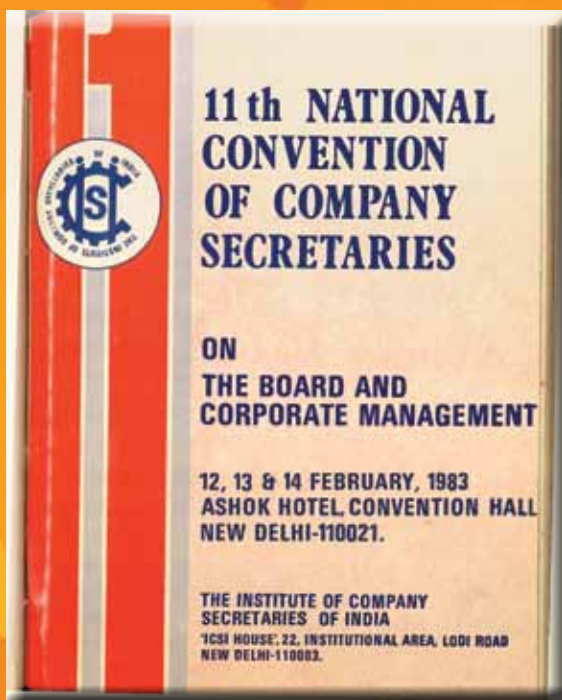
Inaugurated by

Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal

Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice & Company Affairs
on the theme

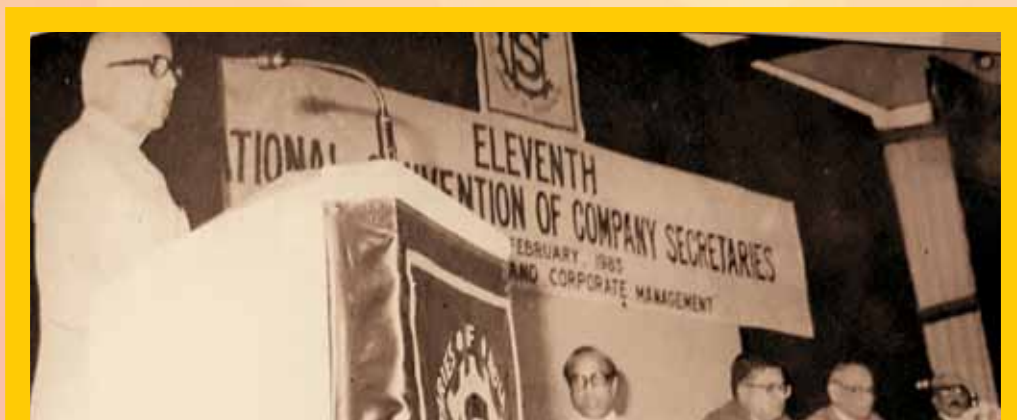
"The Board and Corporate Management"

at Ashok Hotel, New Delhi on February 12-14, 1983



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal**

Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice & Company Affairs



Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal delivering the inaugural address. Others seen are (L to R)
T.P. Subbaraman, K.V. Shanbhogue, D.C. Kothari and D.B. Saxena.



Shri Jagan Nath Kaushal presenting the prize for the
Accountancy discipline to Shri P.J.M. Panikar



Shri T.V. Narayanaswamy receiving the prize
for the Legal discipline

The corporations have to deliberately adopt social responsibilities conducive to human welfare and reconcile the approach between profit-making and lobbying for power to that of social welfare functions. In this task Company secretaries could play a significant role through updating professional knowledge and expertise and serving the boards in an effective manner within the legal framework...

12th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

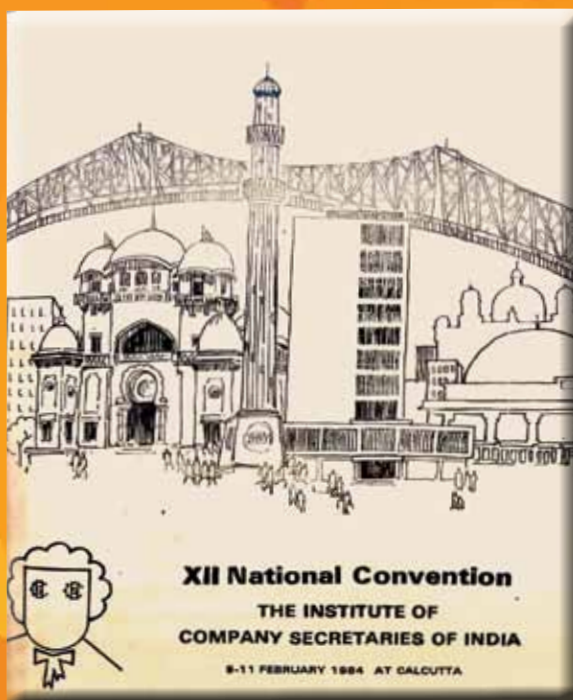
Shri A.P. Sharma

Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal

on the theme

"Emerging Role of Company Secretary in Practice"

at Hotel Oberoi Grand, Calcutta on February 9-11, 1984





Shri D. Ganguly introducing the Regional Council and Central Council members to the Chief Guest Shri A.P. Sharma, Governor of West Bengal



Shri K.V. Shanbhogue delivering the presidential address. Seen on the dias are (L to R) T.P. Subbaraman, D. Ganguly, J. Sengupta, A.P. Sharma and G.B. Rao

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri A.P. Sharma

Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal



Shri A.P. Sharma delivering the inaugural address. Seated on the dias are (L to R) T.P. Subbaraman, D. Ganguly, J. Sengupta, A.P. Sharma and G.B. Rao

Shri A.P. Sharma, stressed the important role which the company secretary can play in various mercantile, commercial and legal aspects of business. As the Company secretary functioned as the internal advisor to the management, Shri Sharma appreciated that the qualifications and training provided by the Institute enable him to discharge his functions efficiently.

Since Independence, the company had made tremendous progress and the company secretaries should not keep away from the mainstream of national life in the discharge of their duties. Shri Sharma mentioned that this called for knowledge, ethical standards, honesty and ability to meet the demands and challenges arising out of social phenomena and the needs and aspirations of weaker sections of the society in addition to administering and monitoring of laws, maintenance of register and filling of returns. He expressed the hope that the small and medium size companies would provide effective areas of practice for company secretaries. He also stressed the need for carving out a core area of practice for company secretaries in order to render useful service to the society and the corporate sector.

13th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Arif Mohammad Khan

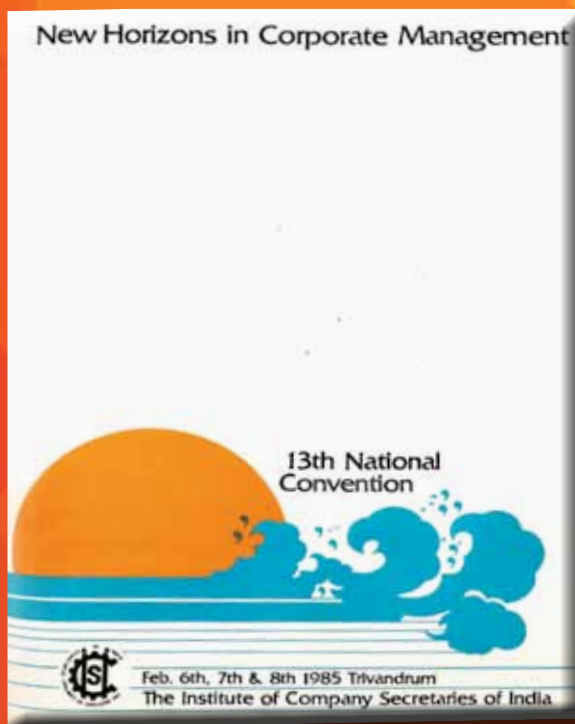
Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Industry

and Company Affairs

on the theme

"New Horizons in Corporate Management"

at Tagore Theatre, Trivendrum on February 6-8, 1985





Shri A.K. Sen, Union Minister of Law and Justice being received by Shri T.P. Subbaraman

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Arif Mohammad Khan**

Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Industry and Company Affairs



Shri Arif Mohd. Khan, Minister of State for Industry
Company Affairs being received

Shri Arif Mohammed Khan called upon company secretaries to help in modernising the corporate sector from its present feudal form to a modern system capable of delivering goods to the under privileged in the country. He pointed out that whether it was private or public sector, company



Shri Arif Mohd. Khan inaugurating the convention by lighting the lamp

secretaries were the key-stone of the corporate management and only persons who enjoyed the trust of the management, people and the administration. As the corporate system of governance had both positive and negative effects on people's lives and environment, he said that company secretaries should suggest ways and means to improve the corporate skills and professional acumen to harness them for improving the quality of life in the country...

He emphasised that the company secretaries had the responsibility to suggest how these administrative cobwebs created by complex rules and regulations could be removed and the decision making process made more efficient.

Excerpts from Address by
Justice S. Madhusudan Rao
Chairman, Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission

Justice S. Madhusudan Rao, while addressing the delegates at the inaugural session called upon the company secretaries to be highly conscious of their responsibility as citizens of the country.



Justice S. Madhusudan Rao, Chairman,
MRTP Commission, addressing as chief guest

Excerpts from Valedictory Address by
Shri A.K. Sen
Union Minister of Law & Justice



Hon'ble Law Minister addressing the delegates.

Shri A.K. Sen said that the company secretaries were the dynamic centre and the fulcrum on which the entire corporate sector rested. He said, the directors on the one hand and company secretaries on the other determined the growth of the corporate sector, in its efficiency and productivity and called them as the physical existence of legal corporate body.

14th National Convention of Company Secretaries

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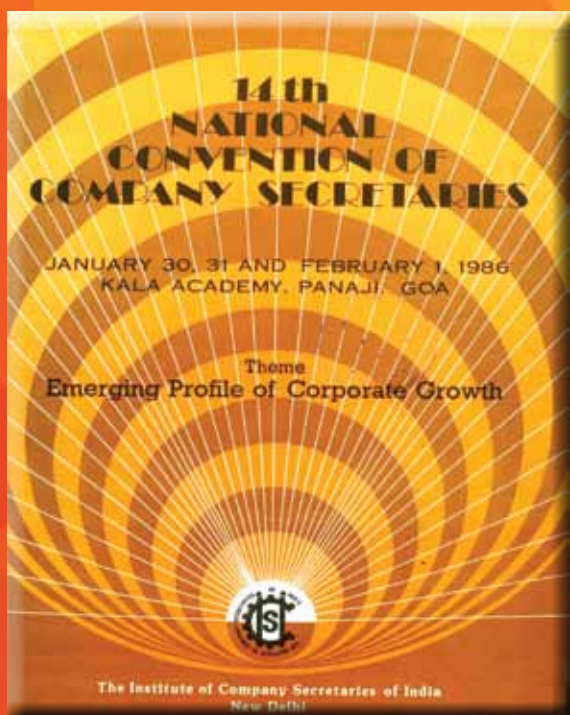
Shri Pratapsingh Raoji Rane

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Daman & Diu

on the theme

"Emerging Profile of Corporate Growth"

at Kala Academy, Panaji, Goa on Jan. 30 - Feb. 1, 1986



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Pratap Singh Raoji Rane**

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Daman & Diu



The Chief Minister lighting the traditional lamp to mark the inauguration

Shri Pratap Singh Raoji Rane said that there is need for the corporate sector to innovate in the fields of corporate finance, introduce new instruments to tap the rural resources, take the message of industrialisation to the backward and rural areas, and above all, ensure timely and adequate availability of finance for the industrial sector.



Chief Guest Shri Pratap Singh Raoji Rane, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Goa being introduced by ICSI President Shri R.V. Nagarajan to the Council members at the venue

Dwelling on the introduction of computers and automation, Shri Rane pointed out that there was need to evolve a human resources development programme which would instill confidence in the work force. "Innovation is the hallmark of a progressive nation and the corporate sector has advantages and resources to innovate" observed Shri Rane.

15th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

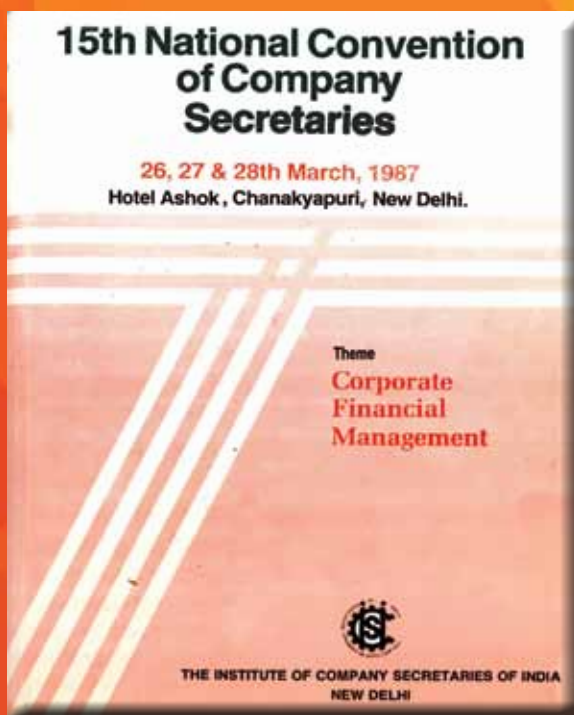
Shri J. Vengala Rao

Hon'ble Union Minister of Industry

on the theme

"Corporate Financial Management"

at Hotel Ashok, New Delhi on March 26-28, 1987



15th National Convention of Company Secretaries

26, 27 & 28th March, 1987
Hotel Ashok, Chanakypuri, New Delhi.

Theme

**Corporate
Financial
Management**



THE INSTITUTE OF COMPANY SECRETARIES OF INDIA
NEW DELHI



Shri Vengala Rao lighting the lamp to formally inaugurate the three day convention. Seen with him are (L to R) Shri V.K. Dar, R. Ramachandran, R. Krishnan and T.P. Subbaraman



Seen (L to R) Shri R. Krishnan, B S Doraiswamy, V K Dar, J. Vengala Rao, V.K. Dar, R. Ramachandran and T.P. Subbaraman



Shri R. Krishnan welcoming the chief guest. Seen on the dias are (L to R) Shri B S Doraiswamy, V K Dar, J Vengala Rao, R Ramchandran and T P Subbaraman

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri J. Vengala Rao

Hon'ble Union Minister of Industry



Chief Guest with V K Dar & R Ramchandran



Union Minister Shri J Vengala Rao, the Chief Guest, being led into the venue by Shri V K Malhotra, R Krishnan and T P Subbaraman



Institute President Shri R Ramchandran presenting bouquet to the Minister

Shri J. Vengala Rao stated that, there was need for mobilizing more and more capital to meet the various challenges facing the corporate sector. The corporate sector, is dependent on men, materials and finance which it had to use optimally for its healthy growth, as the economy of the country is dependent on the health of the corporate sector.

The Minister emphasised the high standard of professionalism expected of professionals like company secretaries, who had a major role in the discipline of corporate laws and financial management. He urged the Institute of Company Secretaries of India to strengthen the cadre of practising company secretaries to provide consultancy services to small and medium companies and prevent them from facing prosecutions...

He further stated that the company secretaries of tomorrow had a greater responsibility on them in view of the emerging new technologies, developing market strategies and communication revolution.

16th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Dr. Rajive Kaul

Managing Director, NICCO Ltd. and

Chairman Indian Chamber of Commerce

on the theme

"CompanyLaw - Emerging Trends"

at Hotel Grand, Calcutta on February 4-6, 1988





Shri C.R. Shah. Seated on the dias (L to R) Sarvashri S.B. Mookherjee, Marcus Murphy, Justice A.N. Ray (Retd) (Chairman), Delep Goaswami, Nobuyuki Yasuda and D.K. Prahlada Rao



Shri R.V. Nagarajan, Seated on the dias (L to R) Dr. Abijit Sen, Dr. N.G. Choudhury (Chairman), Amit Kumar Sen, M.S. Raghavan and S. Saha

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Dr. Rajive Kaul

Managing Director, NICCO Ltd. and Chairman Indian Chamber of Commerce



Shri P.S. Muthuswamy addressing. Seated on the dais (L to R) Sarvashri Pramod S. Shah, V. Rajaraman (Chairman), J. Krishnamurthy and S. Gangopahyay

Tracing the historical development of Companies Act since 1850, Shri Kaul pointed out that a company's business was its internal affair and it should have greater freedom of functioning in achieving the business objectives without in any way getting over-regulated by the Government. The need of the hour is an accelerated pace of industrial growth and in the face of the dismal failure of the public sector, there is an added responsibility on the private sector, he said.

Pointing out the need for a thorough revamping of the company law, Shri Kaul said that many of the provisions of the Companies (Amendment) Bill, 1987, belied the expectations of the corporate sector. A lot of creative professional time is being wasted in filing various forms and getting various approvals and the corporate operations depended on the decision making powers of the Central Government, he said. In an obvious reference to technical and unintended violations of some of the provisions of the Companies Act, Shri Kaul called upon administrators not to view every businessman as prospective criminal though there may be some black sheep in the flock. Shri Kaul underlined the imminent need for relaxation in the provisions relating to inter-corporate investments; particularly in the case of new projects, he emphasized that there should be no regulation at all on inter-corporate investments. A comprehensive legislation covering matters relating to companies, capital issues, MRTP and FERA, is a very urgent need, he pointed out. The deliberations in the technical sessions, Shri Kaul said should come out with concrete suggestions to the government to make the Companies Act forward looking and less restrictive.

17th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri G.N. Mehra

Secretary to Government of India, Department of Public
Enterprises and Company Affairs and Chairman CLB
on the theme

"Changing Profile of the Profession and Tasks Ahead"
at Hotel Ashok, Bangalore on March 2-4, 1989



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri G.N. Mehra

Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises and
Company Affairs and Chairman Company Law Board



Shri G.N. Mehra presenting National Best Award to Ahmedabad Chapter. Shri S.S. Dave receiving on behalf of the Chapter



Shri G.N. Mehra presenting 'Chartered Secretary (1988)' Award to Shri Amit K. Sen in the presence of Shri Shyamal Sen

Shri G.N. Mehra urged company secretaries to be more responsive to discharge manifold responsibilities towards corporate sector, workers, shareholders, customers, community and the State. He advised company secretaries to be more alert and willing to learn and change with the times and added that in the coming decades they had to initiate more exacting professional skills and standards to keep unsullied the image of the profession...



Shri G.N. Mehra presenting the First Pt. Nehru Birth Centenary Annual Award to Shri Ajay Agrawal of Calcutta

Shri Mehra exhorted company secretaries to strike a judicious balance between the conflicting interests with the aid of their professional competence coupled with professional independence. He advised the members of the Institute to maintain absolute integrity and render sound counsel to companies without fear or favour.

18th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

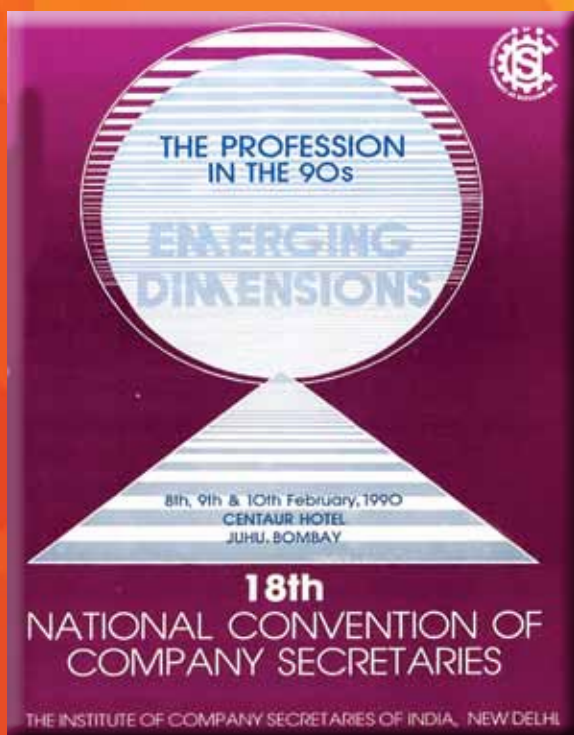
Shri P.N. Bhagwati

Former Chief Justice of India

on the theme

"The Profession in the Nineties - Emerging Dimensions"

at Centaur Hotel, Juhu, Bombay on February 8-10, 1990



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Justice P.N. Bhagwati**

Former Chief Justice of India

Justice P.N. Bhagwati urged the Government to introduce Secretarial Audit by amending the Companies Act, 1956...

According to him if Secretarial Audit is introduced, that would also help the offices of the Registrar of Companies which were already saddled with the problem of inadequate manpower and stock piling of records without being taken on records for years. Hence, the need of the hour was conduct of Secretarial Audit of small and medium sized companies vis-à-vis their compliance of various statutory requirements by secretaries in the whole-time practice.

He also suggested that it would be in the fitness of things if a system of pre-certification of various forms and returns filed with the Registrar of Companies by company secretaries was introduced so that the same would be taken on record immediately by the statutory authorities, thereby saving enormous time, stationery and labour.



Justice P.N. Bhagwati inaugurating the National Convention by lighting the lamp at the presence of Sarvashri D.C. Jain and T.P. Subbaraman



Inaugural session Seen on the dais (L to R) Sarvashri S.D. Israni, B.M. Gogte, D.C. Jain, Justice P.N. Bhagwati, N.J.N. Vazifdar and T.P. Subbaraman

19th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Suresh Mathur

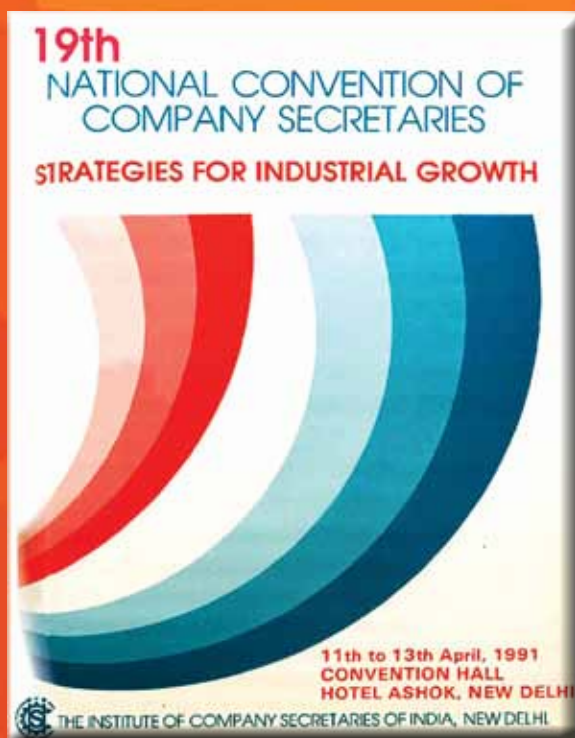
Secretary, Department of Industrial Development and
Company Affairs, Ministry of Industry

on the theme

"Strategies for Industrial Growth"

at Hotel Ashok, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi on

April 11-13, 1991



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Suresh Mathur**

Secretary, Department of Industrial Development and Company Affairs, Ministry of Industry



Seen on the dais (L to R) D.C. Jain, D.K. Prahlada Rao, Suresh Mathur, N.J.N. Vazifdar, H.S. Singhania (President, J.K. Organization and Vice President, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris), T.P. Subbaraman and Paramjeet Singh



Suresh Mathur (Secretary, Department of Industrial Development and Company Affairs) lighting the lamp in the presence of Paramjeet Singh, D.C. Jain and N.J.N. Vazifdar

Any strategy for industrial growth has to be rooted in the socio-economic ethos of the country and we should overcome the existing high degree of dualism. Stating that the corporate laws need rationalization and simplification so as to conduce to industrial growth, he called upon company secretaries to come out with sound suggestions for reform. Commending the rapid strides made by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India in a short period, Mathur underlined the need for every company secretary to hold aloft lasting values of ability, skill and professional integrity.

20th

National Convention of Company Secretaries & 01st International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri H.R. Bhardwaj

Hon'ble Minister of State for Law, Justice and Company Affairs
on the theme

"Liberalised International Environment"

at Hotel Oberoi Grand, Calcutta on November 12-14, 1992



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri H.R. Bhardwaj

Hon'ble Minister of State for Law, Justice and Company Affairs



Shri H.R. Bhardwaj seen delivering the Inaugural address to an attentive gathering

Shri H.R. Bhardwaj expressed satisfaction that the profession of company secretaries has grown tremendously and become not only popular but has proved to be of great utility and benefit to the Government, Trade and industry and other organized sector...

He made a specific mention of cooperation and assistance extended by the Institute to the Department in the recodification of the Companies Act and on various other issues such as secretarial compliance, lump sum payment of fees, reduction of the number of forms, winding up of companies and problems of odd lot shares etc...

He further stated that the company secretaries are custodians of public interest and as crucial link between their respective companies and public must fulfill their positive social responsibility. The Minister felt that freedom from administrative controls will increase the dependence of the corporate sector on professionals advice of the company secretaries and called upon the company secretaries to maintain the delicate balance between the interest of the company and the interest of the investors, consumers and the general public.



Shri H.R. Bhardwaj, Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice & Company Affairs being received & led by Mahesh Shah



Shri P.T. Rangamani presenting a bouquet to Shri H.R. Bhardwaj



Shri G. Venkataram addressing the others



Release of Institute publication 'Manual on Capital Issues'. P.T. Rangamani handing over the first copy to G. Venkataraman. Others Seen (L to R) Sena Mahawatte, Mahesh Shah and Pir Mohammed Kalia

21st National Convention of Company Secretaries & 02nd International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

Inaugurated by

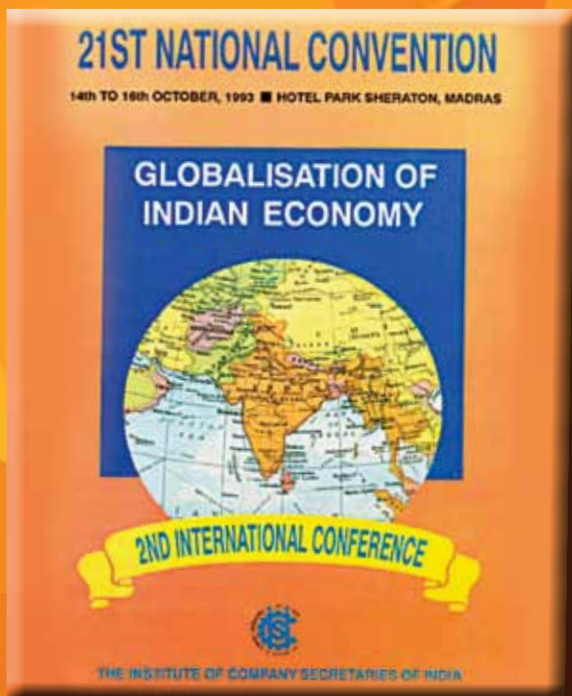
Shri S. Balasubramanian

Chairman, Company Law Board

on the theme

“Globalisation of Indian Economy”

at Hotel Park Sheraton, Madras on October 14-16, 1993



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri S. Balasubramanian**

Chairman, Company Law Board



S. Balasubramanian (Chairman, CLB) lighting the lamp to mark the organization in the presence of (L to R) P.T. Rangamani, M.S. Raghavan S. Ramabadrnan and N. Sankar

S hri S. Balasubramanian said, “whatever our past experience of economic growth may have been, we must realize that future progress has to be based on competitive international field. It is this realization which is compelling the economic administrator to find out ways and means of macro economics management in a Globalised Context”... Balasubramanian urged the Company Secretaries to accept the challenges and opportunities offered by the new economic order.



Mahesh Shah addressing. Seen on the dais (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, Muhamad Nor Muhamad (Chairman, MAICSA), T.V. Padmanabhan, N. Sankar (Past President ASSOCHAM), U.K. Chaudhary P. Sena Mahawatte and M.S. Raghavan

22nd National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

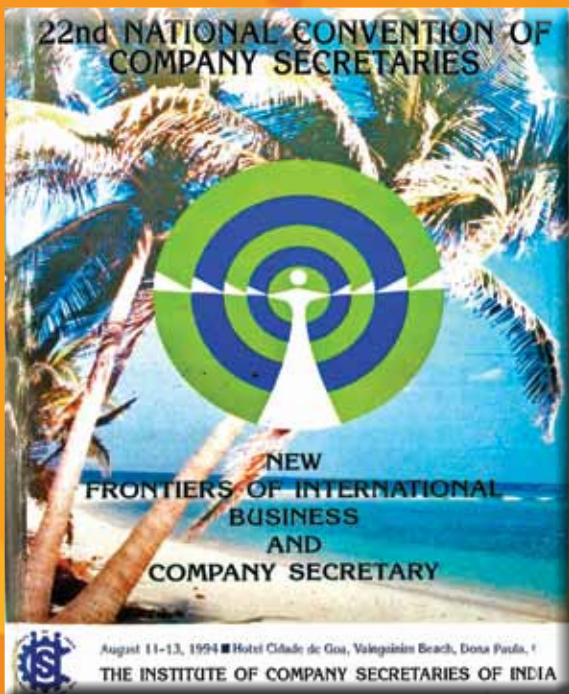
Shri Gopala Ramanujam

Hon'ble Governor of Goa

on the theme

"New Frontiers of International Business and
Company Secretary"

at Hotel Cidade de Goa, Dona Paula, Goa on August 11-13, 1994



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Gopala Ramanujam**

Hon'ble Governor of Goa



Dr. B.K. Modi (Chairman, Modi Group of Companies) lighting the lamp in the presence of Dr. K.R. Chandratre & G. Ramanujam and O.P. Dani



Chief Guest G. Ramanujam (Hon'ble Governor of Goa) being escorted to dias by O.P. Dani and others



Dr. B.K. Modi receiving the first copy of Souvenir from G. Ramanujam in the presence of O.P. Dani

Shri Gopala Ramanujam, Hon'ble Governor of Goa, stated that "The company secretaries role should not only be writing notes on agenda and minutes for the board of directors meetings but like the secretaries to the Government, they must play the role of real secretaries to the companies and must harp upon the important task of educating the labour with a view to achieving maximum productivity and enhanced quality".

23rd National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

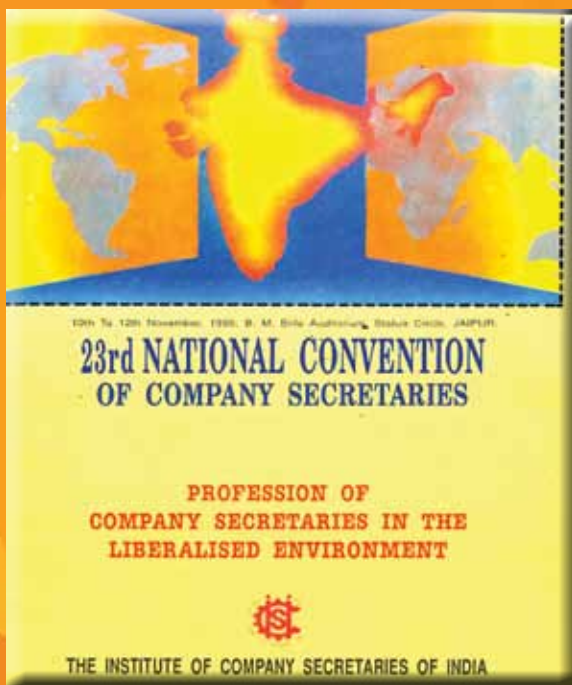
Shri Rajesh Pilot

Hon'ble Minister of State for Environment & Forests

on the theme

"Profession of Company Secretaries in the Liberalised Environment"

at B.M. Birla Auditorium, Jaipur on November 10-12, 1995



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri Rajesh Pilot

Hon'ble Minister of State for Environment & Forests



Seated on dais (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, Vinay Rai (CMD, Group Usha), U.K. Chaudhary, Hon'ble Minister Rajesh Pilot, Anil Goyal and Virender Ganda



Shri Rajesh Pilot (Hon'ble Minister of State for Environment and Forest) lighting the lamp.

Company secretaries have no doubt been recognised as the principal officers under almost every law and it is required of them to gear themselves to carry out effectively the changing and multifarious responsibilities cast upon them emphasised Hon'ble Minister Rajesh Pilot, and felt that company secretaries must give free and frank advice to the management of industrial concerns to abide by law in letter and spirit and not be a party in helping unscrupulous managements in evading taxes or siphoning off funds to non productive non-legitimate uses. This he said was the broader responsibility that company secretaries owed to the millions of poor people of this country.



U.K. Chaudhary presenting to Hon'ble Minister Shri Rajesh Pilot, Post Membership qualification course prospectus and study material for release



U.K. Chaudhary presenting Manual on Capital Issues (3rd Revised Edn.) to Shri Rajesh Pilot for release

24th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Bidyut Ganguly

Hon'ble Minister of Industry, Govt. of West Bengal
on the theme

"Vision 21 Century"

at Hotel Oberoi Grand, Calcutta on November 28-29, 1996



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Bidyut Ganguly**

Hon'ble Minister of Industry, Govt. of West Bengal



Bidyut Ganguly (Hon'ble Minister of Industry, West Bengal), received memento from P. Senamahawatte (President, The ICSA in Sri Lanka)



Bidyut Ganguly (Hon'ble Minister of Industry, West Bengal) addressing the inaugural address

Shri Bidyut Ganguly observed, "we must be open to new trends as they emerge worldwide and adapt ourselves to the needs of the situation. If we are not able to compete on an equal footing with other comparable economies of the world, we can bid adieu to our hopes of industrial resurgence".

He urged the members of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India to let the Government benefit from their experience and expertise in the task of economic development and industrial revitalisation.

25th

National Convention of Company Secretaries & 03rd International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

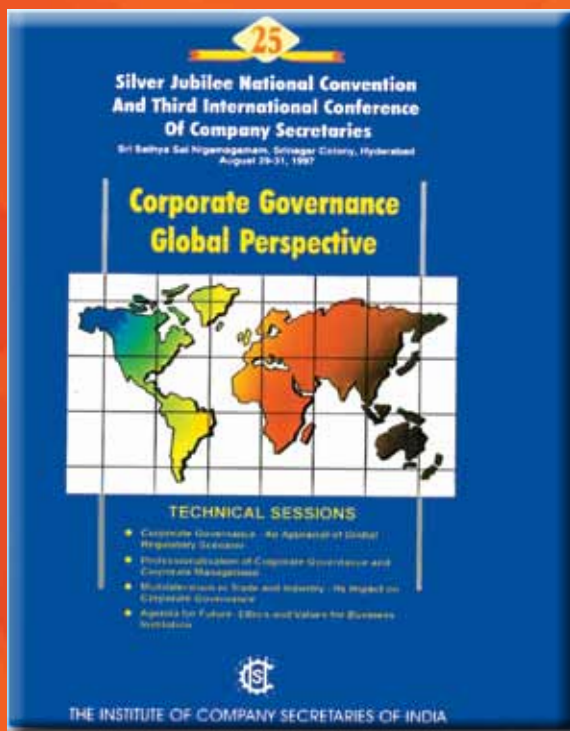
Inaugurated by

Justice Y Bhaskar Rao

Hon'ble Judge of Andhra Pradesh High Court
on the theme

"Corporate Governance - Global Perspective"

at Sri Sathya Sai Nigamagalam, Hyderabad on August 29-31, 1997



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Justice Y Bhaskar Rao**

Hon'ble Judge of Andhra Pradesh High Court



Hon'ble Justice Y. Bhaskar Rao
(Chief Guest)

Justice Y Bhaskar Rao stated "In challenging global scenario the corporate governance assumes greater importance all over the world. The professionals in particular, have a distinct role to play in governing the corporate bodies. Professional's advice and timely suggestions help the Board of Directors to implement their decisions effectively and to achieve the ultimate objects and goals. Good corporate governance is sine qua non of healthy development of industry and economy"...

He also said "The Preamble of the Constitution of India spells out socio economic justice. Company secretaries

are the pillar of the administration of corporate governance, corporate bodies. Without their administrative techniques, their vast knowledge and advise, no corporate bodies can come forward. As the constitution provides fundamental duties of individual citizens of the country, the corporate bodies should also have their responsibilities and duty towards the society, and the nation".



T.S. Krishna Murthy (Secretary, Department of Company Affairs) addressing the gathering. Seated are (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, R.D. Joshi (Jt. Secretary, Department of Company Affairs), D.K. Pahlada Rao, Amit K. Sen and J. Krishnamurthy

26th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

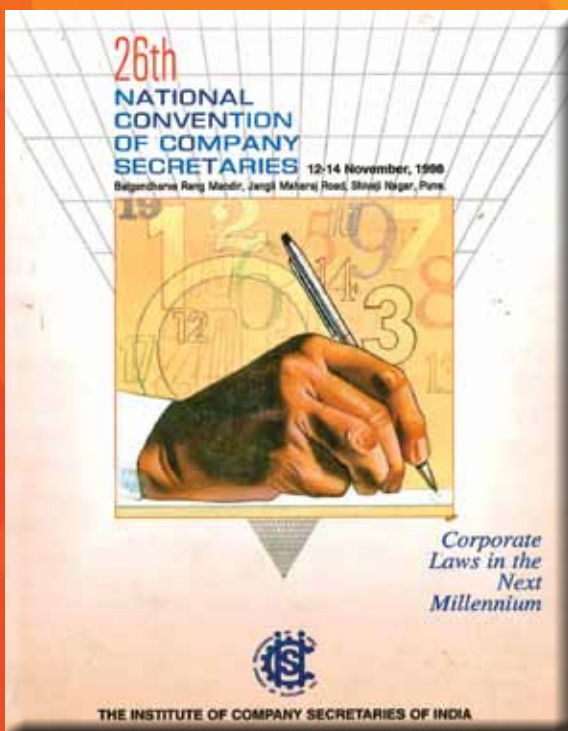
Shri D.R. Mehta

Chairman, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

on the theme

"Corporate Laws in the Next Millennium"

at Balgandharva Rang Mandir, Pune on November 12-14, 1998



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Shri D.R. Mehta

Chairman, Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)



Shri D.R. Mehta addressing the gathering

Speaking about Corporate Governance, Shri D.R. Mehta observed that it had to be improved and refined as a matter of accountability to shareholders. Compliance culture had to grow and consolidation of accounts, postal ballot and similar other issues had to be considered, he added...

Speaking about scenario in the next millennium, Mehta said that we must have a vision of India. Also, India has to create proper systems, attitudes and financial systems to take advantage of the age of science and innovation.



Sitting (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, Pavan Kumar Vijay, P.V.S. Jagan Mohan Rao, Harish K. Vaid, Bipin S. Acharya, J. Sridhar Dr. P.S. Sarma, B.P. Dhanuka, Virendra Ganda, K. Chadrasekharan, G. Gangopadhyay, Dr. S.D. Israni and V. Sreedharan



Sitting (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, J. Sridhar, Dr. P.S. Palande B.P. Dhanuka, Justice Ashok A. Desai, Virender Ganda, S. Gangopadhyay and V.Y. Khare seen with volunteers



The ICSI and ICOSA UK at a glittering ceremony and among the huge applaud signed a MoU on November 13, 1998. (M.J. Ainsworth, Dr. S.P. Narang, B.P. Dhanuka)

27th

National Convention of Company Secretaries & 04th International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

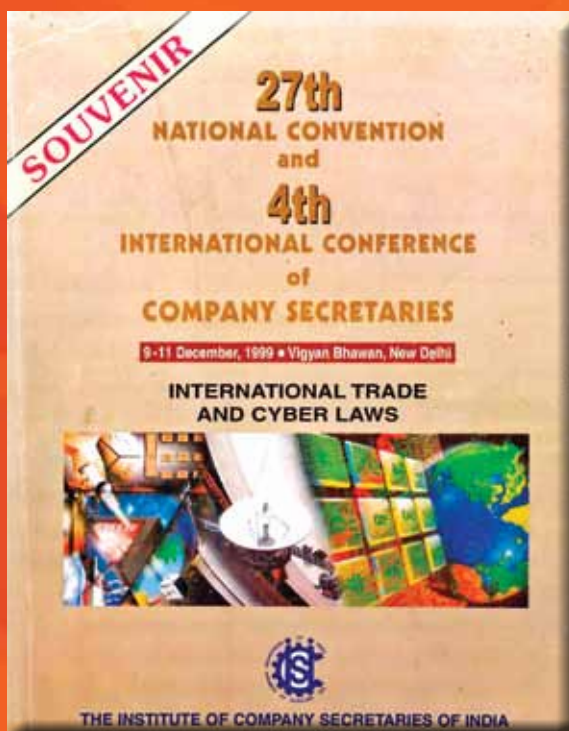
Inaugurated by

Shri Ram Jethmalani

Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice and Company Affairs
on the theme

"International Trade and Cyber Law"

at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on December 9-11, 1999



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Ram Jethmalani**

Hon'ble Minister of Law, Justice and Company Affairs



Seen (L to R) Dr. S.P. Narang, Pavan Kumar Vijay, T.S. Krishna Murthy (Secretary, DCA), Shri Ram Jethmalani (Hon'ble Union Minister for Law, Justice & Company Affairs), Virendra Ganda, J. Sridhar, Harish K. Vaid and Sanjiv Agarwal at invocation



Shri Ram Jethmalani, Hon'ble Union Minister for Law, Justice & Company Affairs lighting the inaugural lamp



Shri Ram Jethmalani, Hon'ble Union Minister for Law, Justice & Company Affairs delivering inaugural address

Shri Ram Jethmalani in his inaugural address said that the circuit and circle of professionals had been a very closed one. That closed circle encompassed only three avocations, the priest, the doctor and the lawyer. These three held the monopoly and they vigorously, throughout the last 2000 years denied to every other avocation the use of the appellation or epithet of "profession". He cautioned the Company Secretaries that, "if you claim to be professionals, it is upto you to justify that claim. The only manner in which you can justify the claim is by directing your activities, not towards the production of corporate profits, but to rendering broadly a public service and incidentally making some money out of it".

28th

National Convention of Company Secretaries & 05th International Conference of Corporate Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Viren J Shah

Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal

on the theme

"Second Generational Reforms and Beyond - An
International Perspective"

at Hotel Oberoi Grand, Calcutta on September 8-10, 2000



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Viren J Shah**

Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal



H.E. Viren J. Shah (Governor of West Bengal) lighting the inaugural lamp



Shri Arun Jaitley (Hon'ble Union Minister of State for IB and LJ & CA) welcoming Swami Atmasthanandaji Maharaj

His Excellence Viren J Shah in his inaugural address said that almost everyone thinks about bringing certain changes to move ahead. So, it is a great thing that the Institute of Company Secretaries of India has taken this subject for discussion in the national convention, because it is an on-going process, an on-going mental process.



H.E. Viren J. Shah (Governor of West Bengal) delivering Inaugural address

Excerpts from Special Session by Shri Pranab Mukherjee

MP and Chairman, Parliament Standing Committee on Home Affairs



Sitting (L to R) : Shri Pranab Mukherjee
(MP and Chairman, Parliament Standing
Committee on Home Affairs), J. Sridhar, Dr.
P.V.S. Jagan Mohan Rao

The Special session on Economic Reforms- Future Agenda was addressed by Shri Pranab Mukherjee, Member Rajya Sabha and Chairman Parliamentary standing committee on Home affairs. In opening remarks Pranab Mukherjee said that reforms is a continuing process, and it cannot be compartmentalised. In the process of economic development, the policy which has the flexibility and capability to adapt itself with the changing situation, keeping in view the need of the country and the people is a successful policy and this exercise should be a continuing one, explained Mukherjee.

Excerpts from Valedictory Session by Shri Arun Jaitley

Hon'ble Union Minister of State for IB and LJ & CA



Shri Arun Jaitley addressing the
Valedictory Session

Hon'ble Shri Arun Jaitley Union Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting and Law, Justice & Company Affairs, was the Chief Guest at the Valedictory Session. Shri Jaitley said in the opening remarks that the Governments are now finding a new role to act as facilitator in the new process of economic reforms, than to actively manage the economy and the business themselves...

Speaking about the need of legislative and judicial reforms in the changing economic environment, where the character of legislations itself has to change, Minister suggested that to keep up with the challenges of change, there is need to continue a process where laws are reformed, changed, amended and new laws are enacted.

29th All India Convention of Company Secretaries

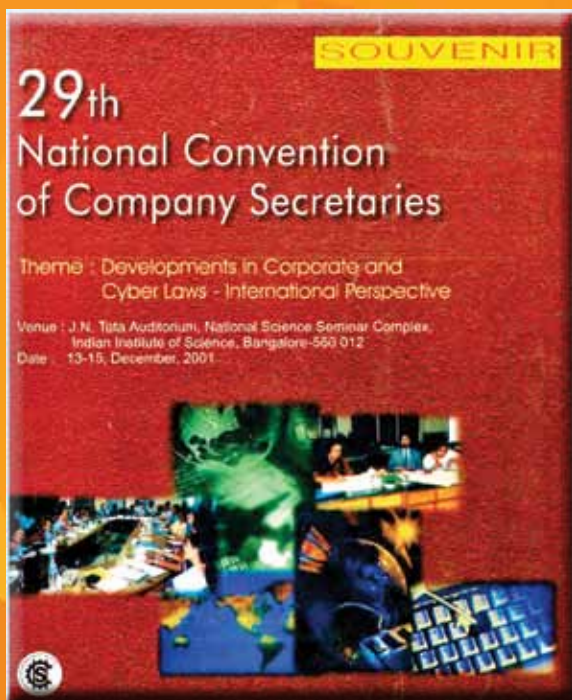
Inaugurated by

Michael Bastian

Executive Director, Vijaya Bank

on the theme

“Developments In Corporate and Cyber Laws - International Perspective” at J.N. Tata Auditorium, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore on December 13-15, 2001



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Michael Bastian**

Executive Director, Vijaya Bank



Shri Michael Bastian (Executive Director, Vijaya Bank) lighting the inaugural lamp



Shri Michael Bastian (Executive Director, Vijaya Bank) addressing the inaugural session

Shri Michael Bastian in his inaugural address said that Company Secretaries being responsible for ensuring Good Corporate Governance must ensure that the interest of investor is well protected in the Companies...

He referred to the changes taking place in the business environment and growing competition including recurrence of scams and quipped as to what has happened to our value system. In this context he observed that there is an imminent need on the part of the corporate sector to observe highest standards of ethics and put in place the value systems.

In the context of E-governance and cybercrimes being important issues the world over today, he felt that these issues should be on the priority of the agenda of International Organisations and National Governments. They should come together and devise uniform mechanism to deal with problems in the E-governance and growing menace of cybercrimes. In this regard he called upon Company Secretaries to ensure that proper security systems are put in place to avoid damage to database and network.

30th National Convention of Company Secretaries

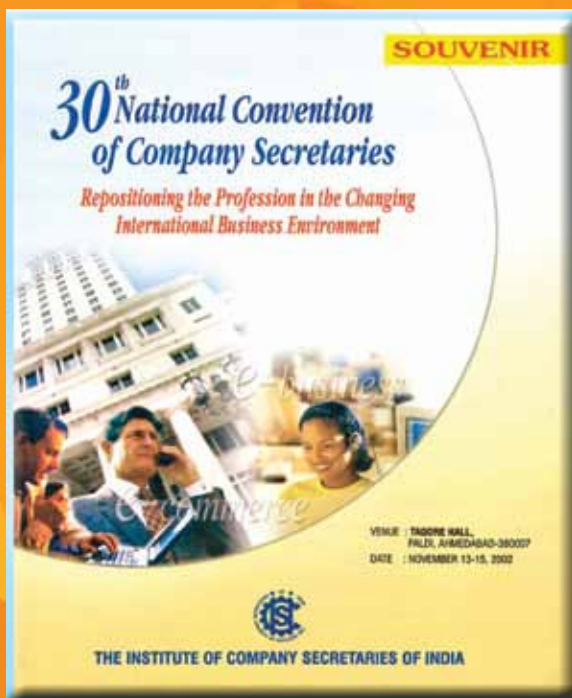
Inaugurated by

Shri Sundar Singh Bhandari

Hon'ble Governor of Gujarat

on the theme

"Repositioning the Profession in the Changing International Business Environment" at Tagore Hall, Paldi, Ahmedabad on November 13-15, 2002



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Sundar Singh Bhandari**

Hon'ble Governor of Gujarat



H.E. Shri Sundar Singh Bhandari
(Hon'ble Governor of Gujarat) lighting
the inaugural lamp

His Excellency Sundar Singh Bhandari in his inaugural address lauded the role of the Institute and the profession of Company Secretaries in rendering important services in the areas of corporate management and financial control and emphasised that the co-operative sector, banking sector, trusts and other financial institutions besides companies, should also avail the services of Company Secretaries to create an environment of economic trust. He called upon the Company Secretaries to provide adequate legal advice and best practices of efficient management to these sectors. The legal advice and guidance of Company Secretaries can be of great help to co-operative and banking sector, because their timely legal and financial advice can prevent economic corruption, added Governor.

The MoU signed by the Institute with ICSA, London is laudable step in the direction of providing Indian Company Secretaries a recognition the world over and to provide them platform in the world market, opined Hon'ble Governor.

31st National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

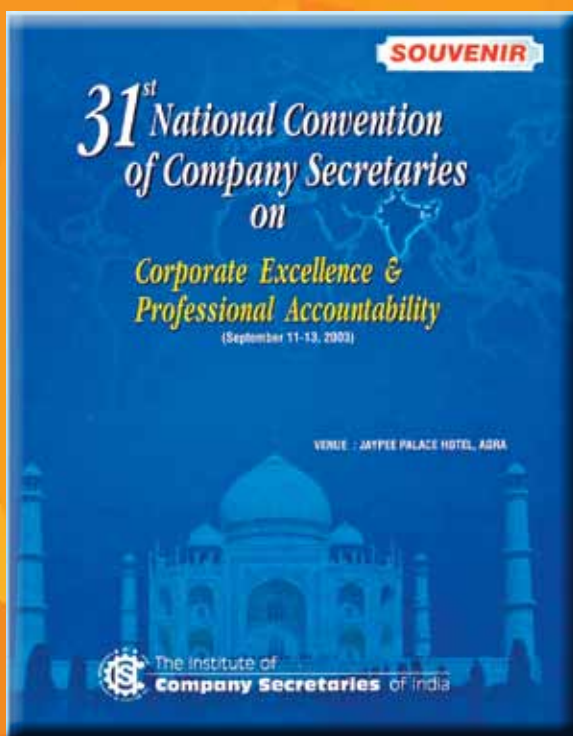
Dr. Najma Heptulla

Hon'ble Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha

on the theme

"Corporate Excellence and Professional Accountability"

at Jaypee Palace Hotel, Agra on November 11-13, 2003



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Dr. Najma Heptulla

Hon'ble Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha



Dr. Najma Heptulla (Dy. Chairperson, Rajya Sabha and President ICCR) lighting the inaugurating lamp



Dr. Najma Heptulla welcomed by Pavan Kr. Vijay

Dr. Najma Heptulla in her inaugural address said that the Company Secretaries are the nodal resource persons about the corporate policies and their advice to board is vital in taking a viable decision on management and corporate governance...

In the context, whether the corporate sector is ready to assume new responsibility? She said that there is general impression that corporate sector is not making full use of reforms in meeting social obligations. Repeated scams in stock markets have vitiated the entire environment and put the reform process in doubt, and called upon the company Secretaries to remove the infirmities in the management. Speaking about the need on the part of corporate sector to restore the public confidence in the economic reforms, Dr. Najma Heptulla advised that the ICSI together with SEBI and business associations should initiate a campaign for public education on the issues of corporate governance.



Dr. Najma Heptulla being offered a bouquet by Preeti Malhotra



Dr. Najma Heptulla released ICSI Flag and Souvenir



Dr. Najma Heptulla released 30 years Chartered Secretary on CD ROM



Standing from (L to R) - Keyoor M. Bakshi, G.N. Bajpai, Pavan Kr. Vijay, Dr. Najma Heptulla, Jaiprakash Gaur, Harish K Vaid, G. Gehani and Abdi Athar Ali

32nd National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Adi Godrej

Chairman, Godrej Group

on the theme

"Building Strategies for Future - A Professional's Approach"

at Hotel Grand Hyatt, Mumbai on October 7-9, 2004



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Adi Godrej**

Chairman, Godrej Group



Guest of Honour Shri Adi Godrej (Chairman Godrej Group) lighting the inauguration lamp

Shri Adi Godrej in his inaugural address said that no future strategy is more important for Company Secretaries than to improve upon the corporate governance in companies they serve...

Adi Godrej emphasized in his concluding observations that corporate governance is not just another management or social fad, rather it is the ultimate management tool. Corporate governance is a journey and not a destination - it is a very rewarding journey for those who choose the right path and above all corporate governance is about both, doing things right and doing the right things.



Shri Adi Godrej seen with some of the dignitaries



Release of Convention Souvenir - Seen (L to R) R. Narayanan, R. Ravi, Adi Godrej, Athavale, Bipin S. Acharya and Ashok Mehta

33rd National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

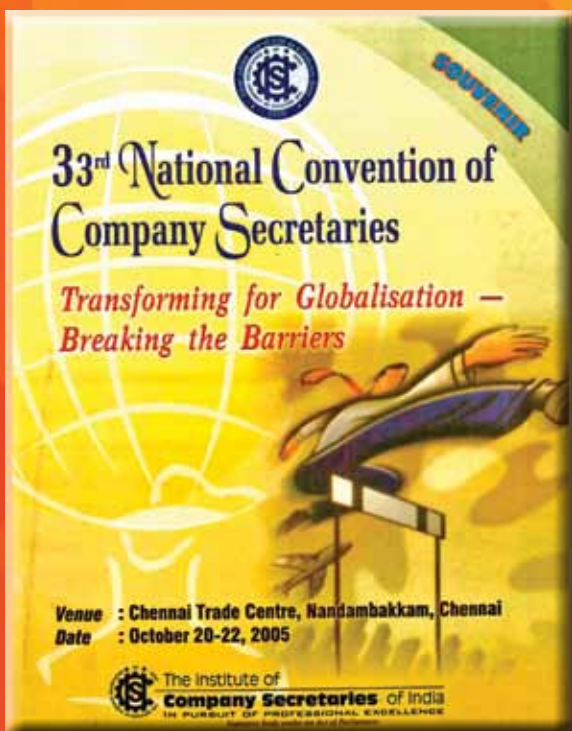
Smt. Komal Anand

Secretary, Ministry of Company Affairs

on the theme

"Transforming for Globalisation - Breaking the Barriers"

at Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai on October 20-22, 2005



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Smt. Komal Anand**

Secretary, Ministry of Company Affairs



Group Photo of Past President, Past Secretaries and Council Members of the Institute with the dignitaries of the Inaugural Session

Smt. Komal Anand while delivering the inaugural address informed that the Ministry of Company Affairs was currently engaged in the process of making comprehensive amendments to the Companies Act, 1956 based on the Report of Dr. J J Irani Expert Committee on Company Law and appreciated the valuable inputs provided by the Institute. The preparation of the new draft Company Law which was at the final stage would enable the corporate sector to be more competitive and keep pace with the economic changes taking place within the country as well as globally, added Komal Anand...



Komal Anand visiting stalls put up at the venue of the convention

In her concluding remarks she suggested that Company Secretaries in this changing scenario should function as a bridge between the corporate sector and the Government. They must give expert advice to the managements of companies for fully utilising the benefits flowing from the policies and programmes of the Government and economic globalisation.

Excerpts from Valedictory Session by **Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji**



His Holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji and S. Balasubramanian with team ICSI



Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Ji addressing the gathering

His holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankarji was the Chief Guest and S Balasubramanian, Chairman, Company Law Board was the guest of honour at the Valedictory Session. His holiness Sri Sri Ravi Shankarji said in his opening observations that Company Secretaries are the “Purohits” of companies. It was a very important job and to perform this responsibility, they need to have balanced mind, and the wisdom to see where

the barriers were. They require capability to communicate and ability to face criticism. They must have a calm mind, happy and enthusiastic spirit to render such important responsibility, added His Holiness.

34th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

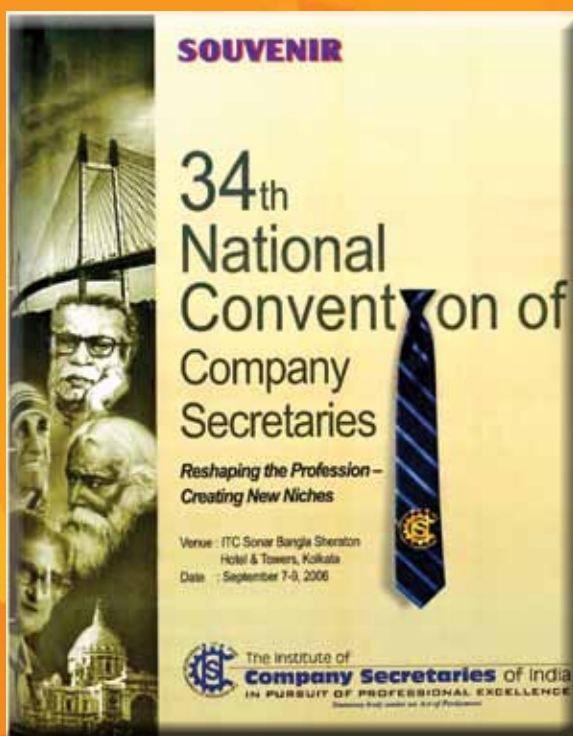
Shri Prem Chand Gupta

Hon'ble Union Minister of Company Affairs

on the theme

"Reshaping the Profession - Creating New Niches"

at ITC Sonar Bangla, Kolkata on September 7-9, 2006



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Prem Chand Gupta**

Hon'ble Union Minister of Company Affairs



**Arrival of Chief Guest - Prem Chand Gupta
(Hon'ble Union Minister for Company
Affairs) being escorted by Preeti Malhotra,
President and Secretary & CEO of the ICSI**



**Prem Chand Gupta (Hon'ble Union Minister for
Company Affairs) lighting the inaugural
lamp of the Convention**

Shri P.C. Gupta while delivering the inaugural address said that the re-codified Companies Bill was being given final touches. Appreciating the invaluable contribution made by the Institute in the exercise, the Minister expressed that governance of corporate sector would witness a welcome change in the interest of the corporate sector, the common investor and the society at large...

The Minister stated that it was the responsibility of corporate professionals to spearhead the reforms movement and the professionals like Company Secretaries could weave the thread of enterprise, knowledge, experience, ideas and tasks into a fabric and could take the corporate sector to excellence.

A successful global professional was one who surrounded himself with excellence and was not afraid of it, opined the Minister and explained that as the mediocrity was the enemy of excellence, Company Secretaries should not be content with being

the best in India, they must be prepared to run the race with the rest of the world.



Shri Prem Chand Gupta (Hon'ble Union Minister for Company Affairs) seen releasing the Souvenir



A view of dais - Sitting (L to R) N.K. Jain, H.M. Choraria, Prem Chand Gupta, Anil K. Agarwal (President, ASSOCHAM) and Preeti Malhotra

35th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Prem Chand Gupta

Hon'ble Union Minister of Corporate Affairs

on the theme

"Excellence through Business Value Addition"

at B M Birla Auditorium, Jaipur on September 20-22, 2007



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Prem Chand Gupta**

Hon'ble Union Minister of Corporate Affairs



Sitting on the dais (L to R) : N.K. Jain, Sanjay Grover, Dr. B.K. Modi (Chairman, MCorp.Global), Anurag Goel, Preeti Malhotra, Prem Chand Gupta (Hon'ble Union Minister of Corporate Affairs), Prabha Thakur (MP), Keyoor Bakshi, Satwinder Singh and Dr. Girish Goyal

Shri P.C. Gupta expressed that he had always been supporter of empowering small and medium enterprises and the concept of LLP was going to be extremely useful in that regard. He appreciated the valuable contribution of ICSI in developing the draft Limited Liability Partnership Bill...

The Government's role was to provide an enabling atmosphere in which business could flourish and the e-governance programme, MCA-21 was a major step in that direction. He elaborated and expressed that the professionals like Company Secretaries has played very supportive role in this initiative of the Government.



Arrival of Chief Guest Shri Prem Chand Gupta being received by N.K. Jain



Shri Prem Chand Gupta being escorted among others by Preeti Malhotra and Sanjay Grover

36th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by
Dr. S.S. Sidhu
Hon'ble Governor of Goa
on the theme
"Achieving Excellence Through Innovation"
at Kala Academy, Goa on November 6-8, 2008



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by

Dr. S.S. Sidhu

Hon'ble Governor of Goa

Dr. S.S. Sidhu said in the opening remarks that the Institute of Company Secretaries of India has made a significant contribution to the Industrial and economic spheres of the country...

He further explained that while there are many other factors that contribute to higher industrial growth, an essential component is the expert services of professionals like Company Secretaries, who perform an extremely delicate and demanding job of handling management and financial issues with care and dexterity, and whose services help in channelizing the scarce resources into constructive pursuits.



Innaugural address by Chief Guest
Dr. S.S. Sidhu



Release of Secretarial Standards by
H.E. Dr. S.S. Sidhu



Sitting (L to R) N.K. Jain, B. Narasimhan, S.A. Bhat (CMD, IOB), R. Gopalakrishnan (ED, TATA Sons), Keyoor Bakshi, H.E. Dr. S.S. Sidhu Dattaraj V. Raj Salgaocar (MD, V.M. Salgaocar Group Group of Companies), Datla Hanumanta Raju, Umesh H. Ved and A.E. Barreto

37th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Salman Khurshid

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Corporate
Affairs and Minority Affairs

on the theme "Lead Corporate India - Role of Company Secretary"
at Marriott Hotel and Convention Centre, Hyderabad
on November 5-7, 2009



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Salman Khurshid**

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Corporate Affairs and Minority Affairs

Shri Salman Khurshid said in the opening remarks that the democracy being the root of every human endeavour, the corporate structure should also be democratic. A democratic corporate structure is important for ensuring shareholder democracy and in this process the Company Secretaries being owners, facilitators, conscience keepers, guide, strategic managers and financial controller have a critical role to play in ensuring shareholder democracy.



Shri Salman Khurshid (Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge for Corporate Affairs and Minority Affairs) addressing the inaugural session



Sitting (L to R) : N.K. Jain, C. Sudhir Babu, Rana Som (CMD, NMDC Ltd., Hyderabad), Datla Hanumanta Raju, Shri Salman Khurshid (Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge for Corporate Affairs and Minority Affairs), Vinayak S. Khanvalkar, Gopalkrishnan Hegde and A. Visweswara Rao



Special Session on International Perspective - Panel Discussion on Role of Company Secretaries
 - Sitting (L to R) : N.K. Jain, Jackson Maingi (Chairman, ICPSK), M. Nurul Alam (ICSM, Bangladesh), Tunde Busari (VP, ICSAN), Datla Hanumanta Raju, Keyoor M. Bakshi (VP, IFCS), Janet Ang (President MICSA) and Aishath Liusha (Maldives, CMDA)



Handing over to Hon'ble Minister Shri Salman Khurshid recommendations of the the Institute on Corporate Governance Frame Work

38th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri Salman Khurshid

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for

Corporate Affairs

on the theme

"India Inc. and Inclusive Growth"

at Swissotel, Kolkata on September 2-4, 2010



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Salman Khurshid**

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Corporate Affairs



Hon'ble Minister presenting the Meritorius Student Award

Shri Salman Khurshid said in the opening remarks that Corporate Social Responsibility should move from „Company's Vision“ to „Country's Vision“ and emphasized the role of Company Secretaries in corporate sector in this direction.

Company secretaries are the centre point in not only advising and guiding the Boards of companies but also cautioning them against any mis-governance, observed the Minister and explained that the injury to the company is an injury to the entire system. He emphasised on the importance of corporate democracy, industrial democracy, stakeholder dialogue with the board.

While concluding, Shri Khurshid observed that CSR is no longer charity or philanthropy, it should be imbibed in the corporate culture that leads to responsible business and emphasised the role of company secretaries in the companies, to drive them towards inclusive growth of the nation.

39th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

Shri B.L. Joshi

Hon'ble Governor of Uttar Pradesh

on the theme

"Corporate Dynamism & Innovative Professionalism"

at Jaypee Palace Hotel, Agra on October 13-15, 2011



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri B.L. Joshi**

Hon'ble Governor of Uttar Pradesh



Releasing Convention Souvenir



Closing Plenary- Sitting on the dais from Left: Anil Murarka, Chief Guest Arun Jaitley (MP and Leader of Opposition Rajya Sabha) Guest of Honour Dilip Raosaheb Deshmukh (Chairman, CLB), Nesar Ahmad and Ranjeet Pandey.

Shri B.L. Joshi said in his inaugural address that the Company Secretaries are innovative cross functional professionals. While highlighting the changing role of Company Secretary, he spoke at length about transparency, disclosure, ethics, inclusive growth and sustainable business model through innovation. He said that the enthusiasm that is being shown by the Company Secretaries shows their commitment towards growth.



Address by His Excellency
Shri B.L. Joshi, Hon'ble
Governor of Uttar Pradesh

40th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

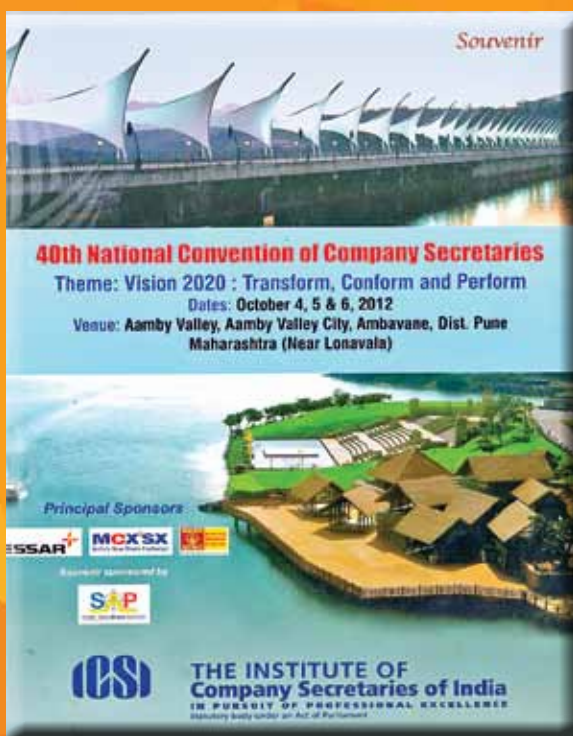
Shri M.V. Tanksale

Chairman & Managing Director, Central Bank of India

on the theme

“Vision 2020: Transform, Conform and Perform”

at Aamby Valley City, Pune on October 4-6, 2012



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri M.V. Tanksale**

Chairman & Managing Director, Central Bank of India



Sitting on the dais from Left: N.K. Jain, B. Narasimhan, S.N. Ananthasubramanian, Chief Guest Dr. M.V. Tanksale (CMD, Central Bank of India), Nesar Ahmad, Atul H Mehta and Mahavir Lunawat



Launch of New Website of the ICSI



Sitting from Left: Chua Sien Chuan (Dy. President, The Malaysian Association of the ICSA, Malaysia), Nesar Ahmad, Tunde Busari (President, The ICSA, Nigeria) and Mohammad Shahid Farooqui (Sr. VP, Institute of Chartered Secretaries of Bangladesh, Bangladesh)



Shri M.V. Tanksale emphasized that transformation, conformation and performance are to be achieved together and that the innovation and adaptability are the necessary attributes in the process of transformation.

41st National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

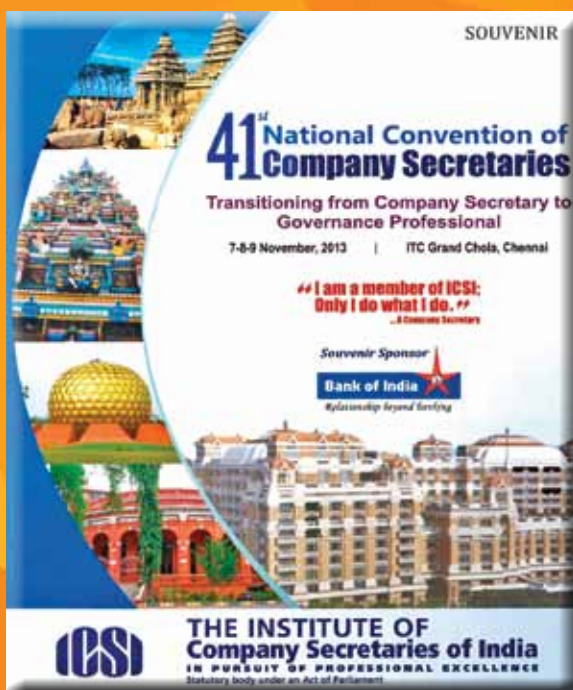
Shri Sachin Pilot

Hon'ble Minister of Company Affairs (I/C)

on the theme

"Transitioning from Company Secretary to Governance Professional"

at ITC Grand Chola, Guindy, Chennai on November 7-9, 2013



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Sachin Pilot**

Hon'ble Minister of Company Affairs (I/C)



Shri Sachin Pilot, Hon'ble Minister for
Corporate Affairs (I/C) lighting the
inaugural lamp of Convention



41st National Convention of Company
Secretaries - Inaugural Session - Shri Sachin
Pilot, Hon'ble Minister for Corporate Affairs
(I/c) addressing. Sitting on the dias from left:
S.N. Ananthasubramanian and C. Dwarakanath.

Shri Sachin Pilot in his inaugural speech said that "It has been six decades since this country rewrote the company law; not to say that the old law was bad. But as the times change, as the economic architecture changes, as our society changes, as the needs expectations and demands change, as the Indian economy has to align itself with the global economy, we need to realign our laws, our policies, our legislative and regulatory framework to make sure that India is not only compliant, but it is the leader of the pack to show the rest of the world that in India we have the intellectual capacity, the ability, the energy, the enthusiasm, the dedication, and the will power to create a new framework that will make sure that we are among the best countries that has good corporate governance structures in our country and the people who will do it, it is not the Members of the Parliament or the Ministers or the Secretaries in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, we are the ones who passed the law, but who will implement that law, who will execute that law, and who will make it effective, it is all the people who are sitting in this hall today and all the thousands of your colleagues who work around the country...

42nd National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by

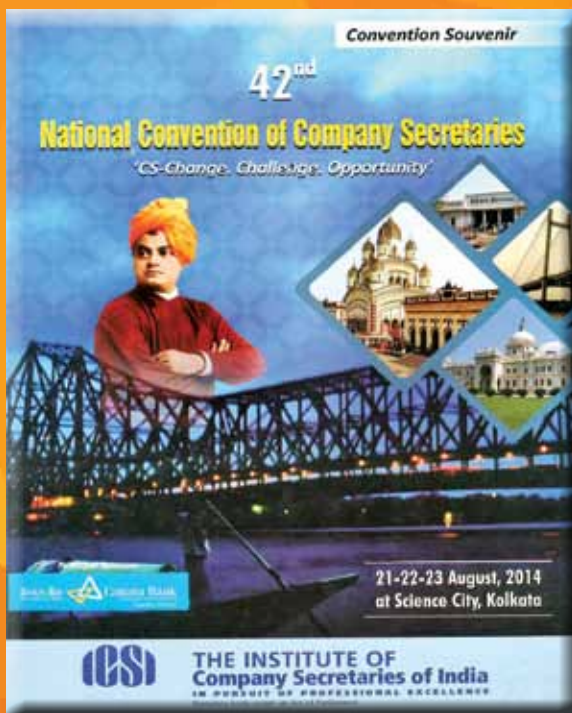
Shri Saugata Roy & Shri C.R. Chaudhary

Hon'ble Members of Parliament

on the theme

"CS Change, Challenge, Opportunity"

at Science City, Kolkata on August 21-23, 2014



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Saugata Roy**

Hon'ble Member of Parliament



Opening Plenary - On the dais from Left: CS Arun Khandelia, CS Ashok Pareek, CS Vikas. Y. Khare, C.R. Chowdhury (Member of Parliament, Nagaur, Rajasthan), Prof. Saugata Roy (Member of Parliament, Dum Dum, Kolkata), CS R. Sridharan, R.K. Dubey (CMD, Canara Bank), CS Anil Murarka and CS M.S. Sahoo.

S hri Saugata Roy, delivered a very inspiring and forward looking inaugural address, wherein he emphasized the role of Company Secretaries in governance, capital market and compliance. He highlighted the increasing growth of service sector and the challenges and opportunity therein for professionals. He said that the role of Company Secretaries is crucial in case of Chit Funds. He added that Company Secretaries are to adopt change and advise change for development of business. The Companies Act, 2013 imposes direct responsibility as Key Managerial Personnel on Company Secretaries, he added.

Excerpts from Address by **Shri C R Choudhary**

Hon'ble Member of Parliament

S hri C R Choudhary complimented the Institute for organizing such a huge convention and appreciated the theme of the Convention. He said that Change is inevitable and one should always go with change. Company Secretaries as compliance officers have a big role to play. He emphasized on skill development for professionals. Challenges provide opportunities for survival, he opined.

Excerpts from Address at Special Session by

Dr. M. Veerappa Moily

Hon'ble Member of Parliament



Dr. M. Veerappa Moily (Member of Parliament) releasing the ICSI publication with CS R. Sridharan and CS Vikas.Y.Khare

Dr. M. Veerappa Moily delivering the Special Address on Governance in Government and in Companies, spoke about governance and observed that stagnant minds create immobile system which becomes roadblock to growth, India demands creative thinking in governance...

Role of Company Secretary as Key Managerial Personnel increases, responsibility as friend, guide and philosopher. Companies vanish, making default in filling annual return, huge NPA's in public sector banks, for this good corporate governance is required. He concluded by saying that, "India needs new players and entrepreneurs".

43rd National Convention of Company Secretaries

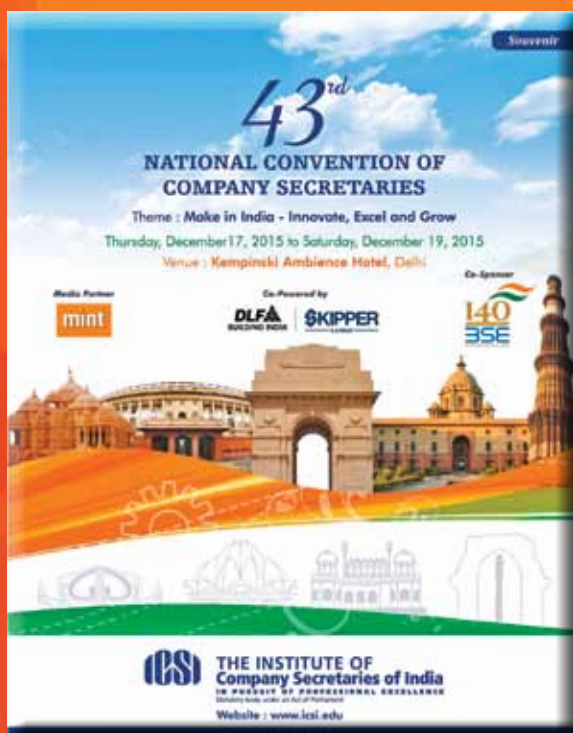
Inaugurated by

Dr. Ashok Chawla

Chairman, Competition Commission of India
on the theme

“Make in India - Innovate, Excel and Grow”

at Kempinski Ambience Hotel, New Delhi on
December 17-19, 2015



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Ashok Chawla**

Chairman, Competition Commission of India



Sitting from Left: CS Sutanu Sinha, CS Shyam Agrawal, Ashish Chauhan (MD and CEO, BSE Ltd.), CS Atul H Mehta, Ashok Chawla (Chairman, Competition Commission of India), CS Mamta Binani, CS Vineet K Chaudhary and CS N P S Chawla.

Shri Ashok Chawla said that Company Secretaries are to play a very important role in effective shareholder democracy by ensuring compliances of a huge set of regulations and emphasized that for professionals, public interest should always prevail over the private interest.



Release of Convention Souvenir.



Release of brochure of Certificate course in Internal Audit

44th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Inaugurated by
Shri Vijaybhai R. Rupani,
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat
on the theme
"Powering Governance - Empowering Stakeholders CS -
The Governance Professional"
at Gandhinagar, Gujarat. on November 17-19, 2016



Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **Shri Vijaybhai R. Rupani**

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat

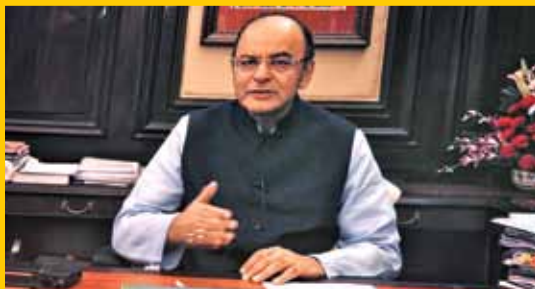


Inaugural Session – Sitting on the dais from Left: CS Tushar Shah, CS Prakash P Pandya, Bimal Choudhary (MD, Anmol Biscuits Ltd.), CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, Vijaybhai R Rupani(Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Gujarat), CS Mamta Binani, CS (Dr.) M S Sahoo (Chairman, The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India), M M Paranjape (MD & CEO, Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd.), CS Ashish C Doshi, CS Ashish Garg and CS Dinesh C Arora.

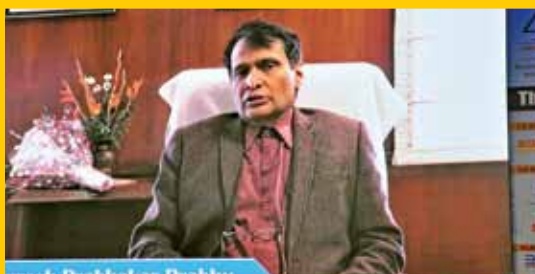
Shri Vijaybhai R. Rupani, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. While inaugurating the 44th National Convention, he congratulated the ICSI for creating a massive platform to deliberate strategies and methodologies for powering Governance in order to empower Stakeholders.

Shri Rupani appreciated the Institute's initiative in this direction and said, "True empowerment of our country needs appropriate strategy to embark upon the challenges like poverty alleviation, agricultural reforms, co-operation between Centre and States, transparency, judicious delivery of services, job creation, development of infrastructure and setting up of business with ease and convenience etc. In short, the nation should be directed to empower its stake holders along with the goal of Self Sufficient and Self Reliant India"

Excerpts from Aired Messages by
**Shri Arun Jaitley, Shri Suresh Prabhu &
Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal**



Video Messages by Arun Jaitley (Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs)



Video Messages by Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu (Hon'ble Union Minister of Railways)



Video Messages by Arjun Ram Meghwal (Hon'ble Minister of State for Finance and Corporate Affairs).

Shri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs and Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon'ble Union Minister for Railways and Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Finance and Corporate Affairs through their video message congratulated the ICSI for an enormous effort in advocating the cause of good Corporate Governance. They addressed the august gathering through aired message.

Excerpts from Inaugural Address by **CS (Dr.) M.S. Sahoo**

Chairman, The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India



Address by CS (Dr.) M S Sahoo

CS (Dr.) M.S. Sahoo, Chairman, The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India also addressed the gathering of eminent professionals and said that, “Company Secretaries have a pivotal role to play in areas of Insolvency and Bankruptcy”. Taking the concept of unbiased approach towards stakeholders, Dr. M. S. Sahoo, said that there is a need to have an unbiased approach which is not easy to maintain. “It is not possible for the government to keep a tab on every activity of the number of companies and there comes the role of the CS. The CS are the professionals to whom this work has been delegated. CS are the governance professionals of the Government in each and every institution,” added Dr. Sahoo.



Presentation of Mementoes – CS Mamta Binani and CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal seen presenting a memento to CS (Dr.) M S Sahoo

Excerpts from Closing Plenary by
Smt. Smirti Zubin Irani
Hon'ble Union Minister for Textiles



CS Mamta Binani and CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal presenting a memento to Smriti Z Irani.

Company secretaries are the conscience keepers of the nation, they are those professionals who protect the interest of the average shareholders and therefore are the Saarthis of Indian Businesses, mentioned by Hon'ble Union Minister for Textiles, Mrs. Smirti Zubin Irani in her address. Applauding the CS fraternity, Ms Irani said, "These CS are those who hold up the banner of law in a business set up that entirely sustains on the profit-making model. While all focus on money, it is the CS who wave off the flag to draw attention towards the compliances." Speaking on the role of the CS in developing the economy, the minister said that Legacy of Indian Business is entwined with Philanthropy. As per the modern concept of Philanthropy, it gives an opportunity to serve the needy. India is now an emerged nation and thus comes the responsibility. We cannot afford to be a "Jugaad Economy" and here comes the role of a CS. "You have the power to change the small stories of women and men in remotest areas of the nation to achieve their best potentials".

Excerpts from Closing Plenary by
Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena
Chairman, Khadi and Village Industries Commission

Sharing views on the same lines, Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena, Chairman, Khadi and Village Industries Commission said as artisans are the backbone of khadi industry, CS are the backbone of Indian Businesses. Khadi is an industry where hand holding is done in the true sense and now is the time for the CS to help companies to hold hands of the khadi businesses and help them achieve their true potentials. "The mood of the country is right and the industry that had been neglected for last two decades is now come into the mainstream," said Saxena appealing to the nation to buy at least one khadi cloth every year to make a difference in the lives of those artisans who are weaving the cloth in one of our villages.



Curtain raiser to 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries on Powering Governance – Empowering Stakeholders: CS the Governance Professional – Sitting on the dais from Left: CS Tushar Shah, CS Ashish Garg, CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, CS Mamta Binani, CS Ashish Doshi, Yamal Vyas and CS Dinesh C Arora.



Release of ICSI publications Saathi and Premier on Company Law by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt. of Gujarat.



Interactive session for Members of ICSI with Council Members – A view of the dais.



Closing Plenary : Sitting on the dais from Left: CS Tushar Shah, CS Ashish Doshi, CS(Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, Guest of Honour Vinay K Saxena (Chairman, KVIC, Ministry of MSME), CS Mamta Binani, Chief Guest Smriti Z Irani (Hon'ble Union Minister of Textiles), CS Ashish Garg and CS Dinesh C Arora



Dignitaries and delegates attending various sessions of the Convention.

Golden Jubilee Celebrations of ICSI at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on October 4, 2018

PM's Thoughts

The Inaugural Ceremony of the Golden Jubilee Year of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India on the 4th of October, 2017 was a landmark in the history of quite as much the nation as of the Institute; for reasons more than one.

While on one hand the event witnessed, the Institute applauding the efforts of its stakeholders, past presidents, people of eminence, so on and so forth, moments later, the heart of each member and each stakeholder was filled with pride as the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, recognized and commended the efforts made and the role played by the members of the Institute in shaping the corporate culture and governance scenario in the nation which is striding on the path of development.



Even though each and every word of the Hon'ble Prime Minister has been etched in our hearts, excerpts of the speech are being shared below:

"I am honoured to be with the experts who ensure that every Company in the country follows the law of the land, maintain complete transparency. The onus is on you to see to it what should be the corporate culture of the country."

"The motto of ICSI is Satyam Vada, Dharmam Chara. It implies that one should speak the truth and follow rules and regulation. Your advice – right or wrong has an impact on the corporate Governance of the country."

"Your institution plays an important role in institutionalising the transparency and honesty in the country. Let us march ahead for building a New India with a renewed vigour, zeal and confidence."

"The importance of a transparent and honest administration is now understood in the country. The recommendations made by the ICSI played a positive role in formulating the Corporate Governance Framework."



Group Photo – Hon'ble Prime Minister with the Council Members, Secretary of the Institute.



A glimpse of the “Swachh Bharat” oath taking ceremony conducted during the celebrations.



Narendra Modi (Hon'ble Prime Minister of India) releasing the Special Cover issued by Department of Posts commemorating ICSI's Golden Jubilee Year.



Release of ICSI Publications - P. P. Chaudhary (Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Law and Justice & Corporate Affairs) releasing various ICSI publications. Others standing from Left: CS Dinesh C Arora, CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, Gopal Krishna Agarwal and CS Makarand W Lele.



Video message on the occasion by Arun Jaitley (Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs).

Golden Jubilee Year National Convention of Company Secretaries (45th National Convention)

Inaugurated by
Pinarayi vijayan

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala

on the theme

"Company Secretary : Shaping New India 2022 through Good Governance"
at Thiruvananthapuram on November 22-24, 2017



Excerpts from Inaugral Address by
Pinarayi Vijayan
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala



The Chief Guest for the event, Shri Pinarayi Vijayan, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala, congratulated ICSI for attaining institutional excellence and being a torch bearer for the cause of good Corporate Governance for the last 50 years. He also appreciated the selfless contribution and dedication of the institute and its stakeholders towards shaping New India 2022 through good governance.

Excerpts from Opening Plenary by
Sadhguru
Founder, Isha Foundation



Almost all businesses need a Company Secretary today. The fundamental duty is to bring integrity into the business system in the country”.

Excerpts from Opening Plenary by
Dr. B K Modi
Founder Chairman of Smart Group



The Founder Chairman of Smart Group, Dr. B K Modi, emphasising on the role of Company Secretaries as Governance Professionals, stated that they can lead India into becoming a world leader in terms of ease of doing business, and also stressed upon the fact that Corporate Secretaries have to align themselves to manage disruptions coming to corporate sector via changing technology.

Excerpts from closing Plenary by
Shri Amogh Lila Dass
Vice-President, ISKCON, Dwarka and Director, ISKCON Youth Forum



Shri Amogh Lila Dass, Vice-President, ISKCON, Dwarka and Director, ISKCON Youth Forum during his address said that, “There are many kinds of crises. Root cause of any crisis is ineffective leadership; due to immature leadership, growth crisis occurs. Hence, the person at the helm of affairs needs to observe sound knowledge about right and wrong and then practice ‘Karma’. It’s indeed good to know that ICSI is developing a governance code based on ancient scriptures and principles and it will be interesting to see amalgamation of both and the difference it will bring to our current corporate governance norms”.



Curtain raiser to ICSI Golden Jubilee Year 45th National Convention of Company Secretaries at Thiruvananthapuram- Shaping New India 2022 Through Good Governance- Sitting on the dais from Left: CS Dinesh C Arora, CS Ahalada Rao V, CS Ramasubramaniam C, CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, CS Makarand Lele, CS Gopalakrishna Hedge and CS Rakesh Rajan.



Valedictory Session – Standing from Left: CS G.M Ganpathi, CS Ahalada Rao V, CS Ramasubramaniam C, Amogh Lila Dass (Vice-President, ISKCON Dwarka and Director, ISKCON Youth Forum, Dwarka), CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, CS Gopalakrishna Hedge, CS Rakesh Rajan and CS Dinesh C Arora.



MOTTO

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