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**ICSI to organise 17th National Conference of Practising
Company Secretaries
at Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh on the theme PCS @Start-up
- Accelerate – Outpace**



**Curtain Raiser Press Conference for 17th National Conference of Practising
Company Secretaries at Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh**
**Sitting on the Dias (From L to R)- CS Gurvinder Sarin, Chairman, Chandigarh
Chapter of ICSI, CS Manish Aggarwal, Regional Council Member, NIRC of ICSI,
CS Ashish Garg, Council Member, The ICSI, CS Mamta Binani,
President, The ICSI, CS Vineet Chaudhary, Council Member, the ICSI and
CS Dinesh Chandra Arora, Secretary, The ICSI**

Chandigarh, Thursday, 11th August 2016: The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is organizing its **17th Annual National Conference of Practising Company Secretaries on the theme “PCS @ Start-up – Accelerate – Outpace”** from August 12-13, 2016 at Welcome Heritage Glenview Resort, Kasauli, Himachal Pradesh.

It is in this backdrop that the annual congregation of practising CS members would be deliberated threadbare under the following broad sub-themes:

- Start-up India- Professional Opportunities for PCS
 - ✓ Goods and Services Tax
 - ✓ Arbitration Law
 - ✓ Insolvency and Bankruptcy Laws
 - ✓ Real Estate Act
- National Company Law Tribunal, Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2016, Competition Law
- Spiritual Well-Being /Self -Motivation
- Ease of Doing Business in India – Facilitation and Obstructions

Eminent persons and experts in the respective fields from the Government, Regulators, profession and the corporate sector will address the two day Conference.

To kick start the annual national conference, a Curtain Raiser Press Conference was organized by The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) on 11th August, 2016 at JW Marriott Hotel, Chandigarh. The conference was addressed by **CS Mamta Binani, President, The ICSI.**

Speaking at the conference, CS Mamta Binani said, *“India is one of the fastest growing economics in the world and entrepreneurship is key in supporting and accelerating such unprecedented growth in India. In last few years, the country has improved its position in ‘Ease of Doing Business’ index issued by World Bank. The government is promoting entrepreneurship which will help support employment, utilization of skills, skill development and boost FDI. It is the right time now that Company Secretaries should optimally unleash the various opportunities offered by the government through its Start-up drive. Company Secretaries need to perform a dual role: firstly, a CS himself can accelerate as a young and profound entrepreneur and secondly as a compliance officer he can help in realizing ‘ease of doing business’ drive for entrepreneurs in running their start-ups. In both ways, Company Secretary will rationalize his contour in the nation building process”.*

Emphasising the importance of CS profession Ms Binani said, *“The crucial role that a CS plays in a company can be gauged by the fact that the Companies Act, 2013 recognises Company Secretaries as a “Key Managerial Personnel” along with the Managing Director / Manager, whole-time director and Chief Financial Officer (section 203). A Company Secretary is required to be mandatorily appointed in every company with a paid up share capital of 5 Crores and above, under Companies Act 2013”.*

CS Vineet Chaudhary, Council Member, the ICSI, and Programme Director of the 17th National Conference of Practising Company Secretaries, CS Gurvinder Sarin,

Chairman – Chandigarh Chapter of ICSI and CS Dinesh Chandra Arora Secretary, the ICSI were also present on the Occasion.

About The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, (ICSI):

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, (ICSI) is premier professional body set up under an Act of Parliament, i.e., Company Secretaries Act, 1980, for the regulation and development of the profession of Company Secretaries in India. It functions under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute, being a pro-active body, focuses on best and top-quality education to students of Company Secretaries Course and best quality set standards for CS members. For further details, please visit: www.icsi.edu

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