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GST to accelerate India's Growth - says CS Mamta Binani-President, ICSI

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) Welcomes the landmark Constitutional (122<sup>nd</sup> Amendment ) Bill, 2014.

'The GST regime can be a game changer which will propel India into the big league of developed nations, said President ICSI - CS Mamta Binani, while welcoming the landmark GST Bill.

In a press statement issued by the ICSI today, CS Mamta Binani, President, ICSI said, "President, ICSI, along with the Council of the Institute. is indeed grateful to the Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers for inviting ICSI, along with the other apex professional bodies, for interaction and to extend an opportunity to all for assimilating their thoughts on GST and related matters, at New Delhi on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2016. ICSI feels privileged to be a part of this historic and major tax reform".

While lauding the efforts of the present Government in passing of the GST Bill, Ms. Binani expressed that it is a proactive step towards the development of Indian economy bringing us one step closer to joining hands with the Global Economy. It shall be the most comprehensive single tax system for the economy proving to be a great boost in the

direction of attracting investments and in furtherance of 'Make in India' initiative of the Govt of India.

Ms. Binani further informed that in order to create a widespread awareness and to facilitate capacity building of its members and other professionals in the spectrum of Goods and Services Tax , The ICSI is observing August 2016 as 'GST Awareness month' and is undertaking the following activities :

Releasing special publications showcasing the reach and strength of GST

- Dedicated its August, 2016 issue of Chartered Secretary to GST
- · Special Webinar Classes getting conducted on GST
- Placed an exclusive Corner on GST on ICSI's website www.icsi.edu.
- Conducting Awareness Programmes, Seminars, Sharing of Knowledge material, Panel discussion etc. on GST
- Conducting symposiums on "Goods & Services Tax" in all major cities
- Conducting Master Classes on GST

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