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44th National Convention of Company Secretaries

Theme: POWERING GOVERNANCE - EMPOWERING STAKEHOLDERS

CS- The Governance Professional



On the Dias from Lto R- CS Ashish Garg , Council Member, ICSI and Co-Chairman Convention Organising Sub Committee, CS Shyam Agrawal,Vice- President of The ICSI, CS Mamta Binani , President of ICSI, CS Ashish Doshi, Council Member, ICSI and Chairman Convention Organising Sub Committee, Shri Yamal A Vyas, Council Member (Govt. Nominee) ICSI, CS Dinesh Chandra Arora , Secretary , ICSI and CS Tushar Shah, Chairman, Ahmedabad Chapter of WIRC of the ICSI

Ahmedabad, 16th Nov, 2016: In the light of global transformation, India is coming up with contemporary agenda of establishing itself as a global leader at social, economic, political and technological front. To achieve comprehensive leadership, the government is focused towards revitalization, reinforcement and inclusive growth of India .To deliberate and discuss true empowerment of our country and the appropriate strategy it needs to embark upon to take up the challenges like poverty elimination, agricultural reforms, transparency, judicious delivery of services, job creation, development of infrastructure and setting up of business with ease and convenience etc, The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is organising its 44th National Convention of Company secretaries

with the theme: “POWERING GOVERNANCE - EMPOWERING STAKEHOLDERS”.

On the occasion of the ensuing 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries scheduled from 17 - 19 November 2016, a curtain raiser press conference was organised at Ahmedabad today.

CS Mamta Binani , President of The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), while addressing the media stated that , “the government has launched several large-scale campaigns including Bharat Nirman, Skilled India, Smart Cities, Swatch Bharat, Jan-DhanYojna, Digital India, DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer), Start Up India, e-Governance and alike. The reach of such schemes among the remotest masses as well can be made possible through professionally enabled channels. Globally, services afforded under the expertise of professionals and alike have been the greatest enabler in causing remarkable positive transformation. India's story is not different, and the utilisation of professional resources in the form of Company Secretaries and others have been seen as a game-changer. Company Secretaries play a pivotal role in multifaceted functional dynamics. Their encompassing role in the varied areas like corporate governance, compliance management of laws including Company Law, Competition law, Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law, Goods and Services Tax etc. are contributing towards empowering stakeholders. Indeed, Company Secretaries have the necessary competence to handle all issues concerning governance and ensuring compliances and the 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries has been devised as a threadbare deliberation on the need to continually redeem our pledge and commitment to the trust and confidence placed on us, Company Secretaries, by the Society and regulators which is important and critical to the sustenance and growth of the profession.”, she added .

President ICSI also informed that, Shri Vijaybhai R. Rupani, Hon’ble Chief Minister of Gujarat has kindly consented to inaugurate the National Convention on 17th November 2016 and **Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Hon’ble Minister for Railways, Shri Nitin Patel, Hon’ble Deputy Chief Minister of Gujarat, CS (Dr.) M.S Sahoo, Chairman , Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India, Shri Bimal Chaudhary, Managing Director, Anmol Biscuits and Shri MM Paranjape, MD & CEO of MCX of India Ltd**, will grace the occasion as Guests of Honour at the opening plenary.

She also Informed that the **Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon’ble Minister for Textiles** and **Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena** , Chairman Khadi and Village Industries Commission will be the Chief Guest and Guest of Honour respectively, at the Closing Plenary of the Convention on 19th November 2016.

CS Shyam Agrawal, Vice- President of The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) while addressing the media stated that “The National Convention would deliberate threadbare, the Role of Company Secretaries as Governance Professionals and how they can help to attain the goal of powered governance and in turn the stakeholders' empowerment.”

CS Ashish Doshi, Council Member, ICSI and Chairman Convention Organising Sub Committee for the 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries, informed that, “The faculty at various sessions would attempt to throw light on assessment and calculation of smart risks, find innovative and exciting ways as Company Secretaries professionals to guide the channelization of the Government’s initiatives in right direction, with their competencies in Corporate Governance, Due Diligence and Legal Compliance.

With the tint of proficiency of the company secretaries in taking forward these initiatives, the day is not far when these opportunities will make significant improvements in the direction of inclusive India with exclusive growth ,he added.

He Informed that the theme of the 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries will be deliberated in threadbare discussions in the following sessions :

- Looking Glass to 2022 – India at 75 - Role of Professionals
- CEOs Speak - Emulate Governance from Corporate Leaders
- Digital Drive – Empowering Knowledge Economy
- Learning from Experiences of Royal Majesties
- Enhancing Skills – Finding the Way beyond Compliance

CS Ashish Doshi also informed that a Special Session: ‘Towards meaning Full Life’ will be addressed by HH Gaur Gopal Prabhu, a renowned Spiritual Speaker and a disciple of HH Radhanath Swami.

CS Ashish Garg , Council Member, ICSI and Co-Chairman Convention Organising Sub Committee for the 44th National Convention of Company Secretaries also informed that , “About 2500 delegates including Company Secretaries, Managing Directors, CEOs, Directors, Senior Executives and professionals from India and abroad are expected to participate in the three day National Convention. The three-day Convention will be addressed by captains of trade and industry, eminent experts, academicians, senior civil servants and professionals.

CS Tushar Shah, Chairman, Ahmedabad Chapter of WIRC of the ICSI was also present on the occasion.

CS Dinesh Chandra Arora , Secretary , ICSI proposed the Vote of Thanks .

About ICSI: The Institute of Company Secretaries of India(ICSI) is constituted under an Act of Parliament i.e. the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 (Act No. 56 of 1980). ICSI is the only recognized professional body in India to develop and regulate the profession of Company Secretaries in India. The Institute of Company Secretaries of India awards the certificate of bestowing the designation of Company Secretary(CS) to a candidate qualifying for the membership of the Institute. It was in 1960 that the Company Law Board started a course in Company Secretaryship leading to the award of Government Diploma in Company Secretaryship. As the number of students taking up the

Company Secretaryship course grew, the Government promoted on 4th October, 1968, Institute of Company Secretaries of India under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 for taking over from the Government the conduct of Company Secretaryship examination. The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) has since been converted into a statutory body w.e.f. 1.1.1981 under the Company Secretaries Act, 1980. The Institute Functions under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) has on its rolls over 46000 members and over 4 lakh CS students.

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