EDITORIAL

The month of November commenced with ICSI once again making a notable advancement through its annual Mega Congregation, 'The 53rd National Convention of Company Secretaries', centered on the theme 'Progressive, Inclusive and Sustainable Bharat'. I place on record my sincere gratitude to Company Secretaries, Professionals, Government dignitaries, and students for their active participation in the Convention, which fostered vigorous discussions among the intellects and visionaries of our esteemed profession.

The world has become a global village where ideas and innovations transcend beyond geographical boundaries. In such a scenario, a robust IPR Governance framework becomes the foundation for sustainable economic growth and international competition. Extending this thought further, this month's issue of the Journal invited articles on the theme, 'IPR & Competition Laws: Leading thoughtfully,' covering the foundation and growth of the Competition Act and legislations on Trademarks, Copyrights, GIs, Patents in India, facilitating innovation, attracting investments, and safeguarding creativity across key sectors of the economy. Company Secretaries play a crucial role in enhancing IPR governance and safeguarding innovation-led growth of corporates.

The theme based articles on, 'Bharat's IP Transformation: Bridging Traditional Wisdom and Global Innovation Economy, 'GI Tag: Creating Viksit Bharat,' 'Governance Growth and Innovation: Integrating IPR into India's Vision of Viksit Bharat, 'Abuse of Dominance: A Case based analysis,' 'Patents and Copyrights: Saviours in Digital Transformation', 'Trade Marks: Law, Compliance and Governance; and 'Navigating the IPR-Competition Law Nexus: A Governance Professionals Strategic Framework', reflect on the various facets of evolution and growth of Intellectual Property Laws in India and ways in which competition and its legislative framework has shaped the IPR governance in organisations.

The Journal also covers interesting articles on topics titled, 'Reimagining Secretarial Audit Report for Listed Entities: Need of the hour, 'Viksit Bharat@2047- Bottlenecks including Obsolete Economic and Commercial Laws, 'Artificial Intelligence: Inclusivity, Cohesiveness, and Transformation,' and 'India's evolving Cross border merger policy: Legal Liberalisation vs. strategic FDI constraints', which aims to enhance the knowledge of readers on varied contemporary topics and serve as useful resource for future research.

The article for Research Corner on 'Asymmetric Monetary Policy Transmission in India: RBI's Front-Loaded Rate Cuts, Global Spillovers, and Sectoral Heterogeneity (June 2025); examines RBI's decision to cut the Repo rate and its impact on Indian economy.

The article in the Global Connect section, 'Bridging Jurisdictions: Cross-Border Insolvency in the Gift City Paradigm', reviews India's cross-border insolvency regime, provides a comparison with other jurisdictions, and proposes to incorporate 'Part Z' as suggested by the Insolvency Law Committee.

Happy Reading!

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