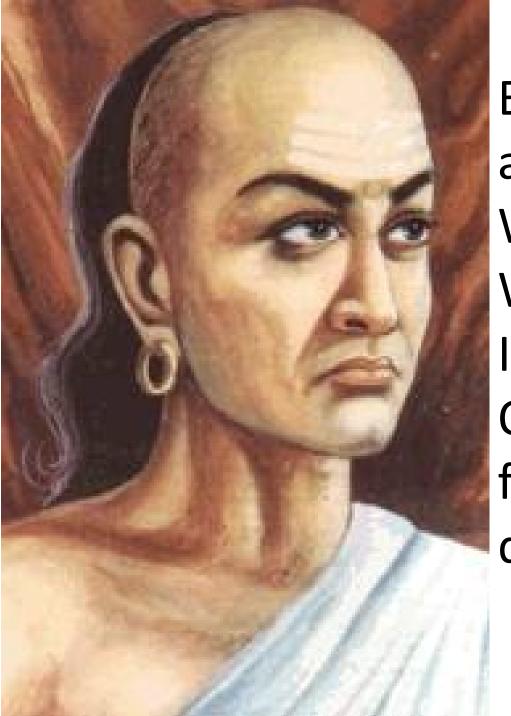


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# Formation of LLP and Related Compliances

WIRC of ICAI, ICAI Tower, Near Standard Chartered Bank, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai - 400 051 Saturday, July 2, 2016 10 AM to 1 PM



Before you start some work, always ask yourself three questions — Why am I doing it, What the results might be and Will I be successful.

Only when you think deeply and find satisfactory answers to these questions, go ahead.

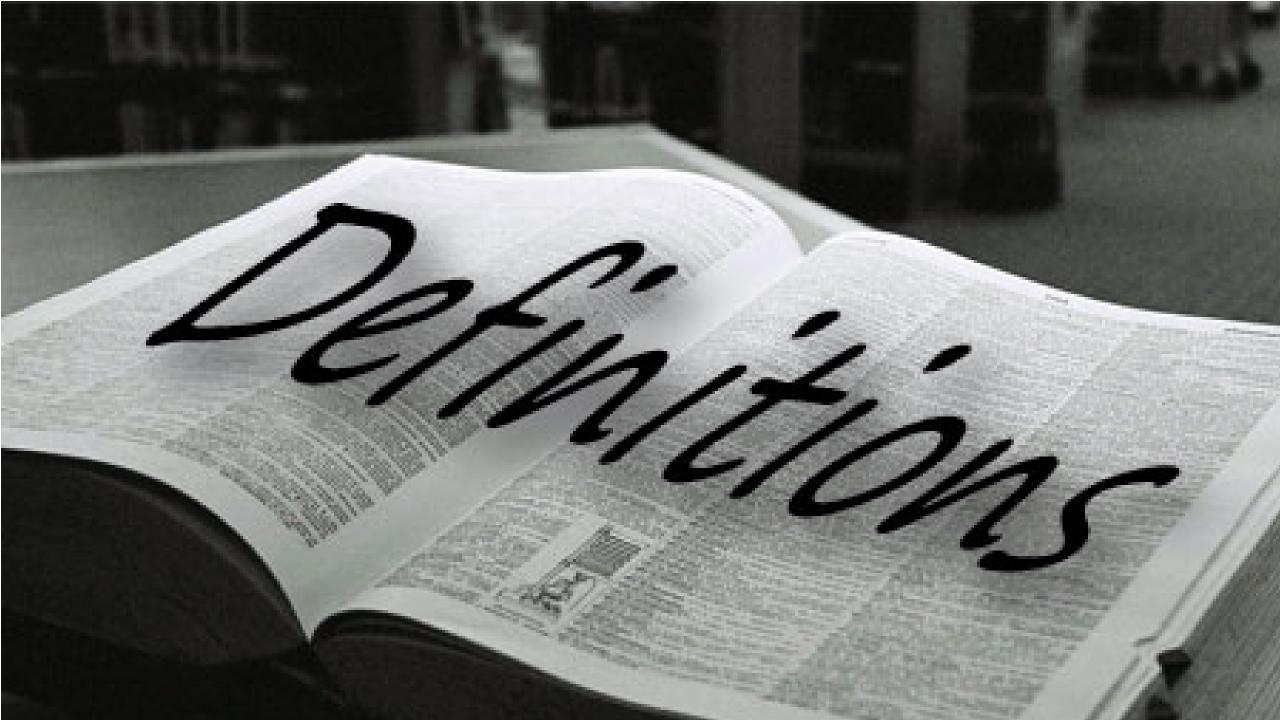
Prologue



- Naresh Chandra Committee
- JJ Irani Committee

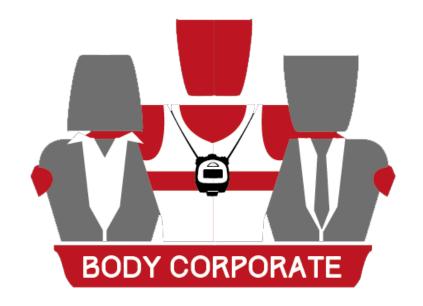
#### Characters

- A Corporate Legal entity
- All the basic features of Co
- Simple Compliance
- Blend and virtues of Partnership and Ltd Lia



#### **DEFINITIONS**

Se 2 (1) (d)



#### Means

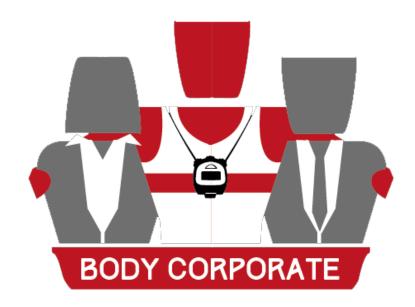
- Co defined U/s 2 (20) of CoA 2013
- LLP registered within India
- LLP registered outside India
- Co incorporated outside India

## But excludes;

- Corporation Sole
- Co-op Society
- Government notified

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Se 2 (1) (d)



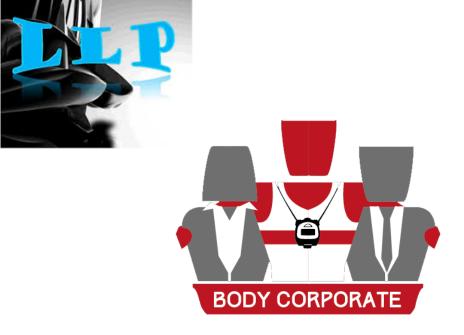
#### Re: Darthmouth College Case -

A corporation being an articificial being, invisible, intangible, and existing only in contemplation of law.

- ONGC
- In simple words, Body Corporate means an artificial person created by law and;
- Corporation means a
  - body corporate authorized to act as a single;
  - an artificial person created by royal chargter, prescription, or legislative act and having the capacity of perpetual succession.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Se 2 (1) (d) and Se 3



## Limited Liability Partnership

- Shall be Body Corporate
- Shall have perpetual succession
- Shall not be affected by any changes in the partners thereon in its existing rights and obligations.

#### **Financial Year**

Se 2 (1) (I)



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#### Means

- April 1 to March 31
- LLP incorporation after Sep 30 may end its FY on March 31 the next of the year following that year.

Se 4



Indian Partnership Act, 1932

## Se 5, 6 - Partners



- Minimum 2
- Maximum ?
- Any Individual or representative nominated by Body Corporate except
  - Person of unsound Mind
  - Un-discharged insolvent
  - Application of insolvency pending.

# Se 7, 9, R 7-10 Designated Partner



- Minimum 2
- Body Corporate may appoint nominees as DP
- 1 DP must be Resident in India (182 days or more in preceding 1 year)
- DP must be mentioned in LLPA
- Prior consent to act as DP required
- DPIN/ DIN is must for every DP.

# Se 8 - Liabilities of Designated Partner



- Responsible for all day to day affairs
- Compliance
- Liable for all the penalties imposed

# Se 10 – Punishment for contravention of Se 7-10



- Contravention of Se 7(1) LLP and partner may be fined upto INR 10K to INR 5 Lac
- Contravention of Se 7(4) and (5), 8 and 9 - LLP and partner may be fined upto INR 10K to INR 1 Lac

Se 11-13, 15 & 16 INCORPORATION AND REGISTRATION



- Form 1 Application for Reservation of Name
- Form 2 Incorporation Documents
  - Consent to act as DP
  - Proof of Address
  - Subscribers' Sheet
  - In principle approval from Regulatory authorities
  - DP's existing Directorships/ Dpship
- Form 3 LLPA
- Undesirable Names Se 18
- Change of Name Se 19

#### Se 13 – Registered Office Address



- Every LLP must have Regd Address
- Any document may be served on such address
- The Address may be changed
- Contravention Penalty upto INR 2K-25K

Se 14
EFFECT OF REGISTRATION



## LLP shall be capable of

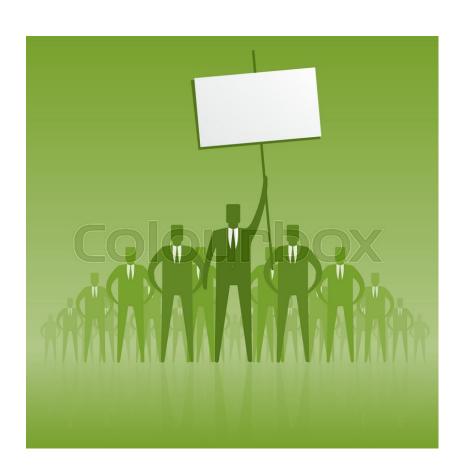
- Suing and being sued
- Acquire, own, dispose any property
- May have Common Seal
- Do such lawful acts.

Se 20 – Improper Use of words "LLP"



Use of words "Limited Liability Partnership" or "LLP" unless the entity is duly registered shall attract penalty upto INR 50K to INR 5 Lacs.

Se 21
PUBLICATION OF NAME AND LTD
LIABILITY



- LLP shall ensure that its name, address and Ltd Liability status must be displayed on all its invoices and official publication.
- Contravention shall be punishable with a fine of INR 2K to 25K

Se 22
ELIGIBILITY TO BE PARTNER



- LLPA
- Person other than mentioned in LLPA is not eligible to become Partner

Absence of LLPA- refer First Schedule

Se 23-25 Relationship of Partners, etc



- Se 23 Relationship of Partners
- Se24- Cessation of Partnership Interest
- Se 25 Registration of Changes in Partners

#### Se 26-33 RIGHTS AND DUTIES



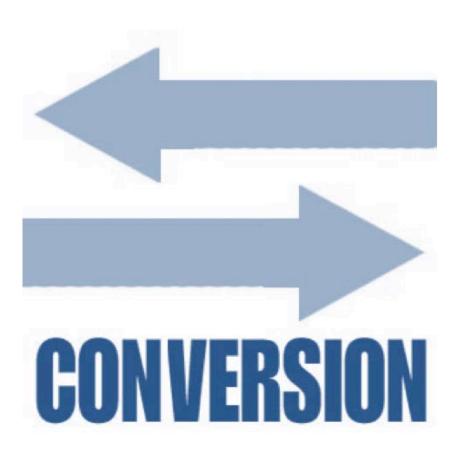
- Se 27 Extent of Ltd Lia of LLP
- Se28- Extent of Ltd Lia of Partner
- Se 29 Holding Out
- Se 30 Un ltd Lia in case of fraud
- Se 31 Whistle Blowing
- Se 32-33 Form of contribution and Obligation to contribute

**Se 39 Compounding of Offences** 



- CG may compound office punishable with fine only.
- Compounding fee shall be upto Max fine as may be prescribed

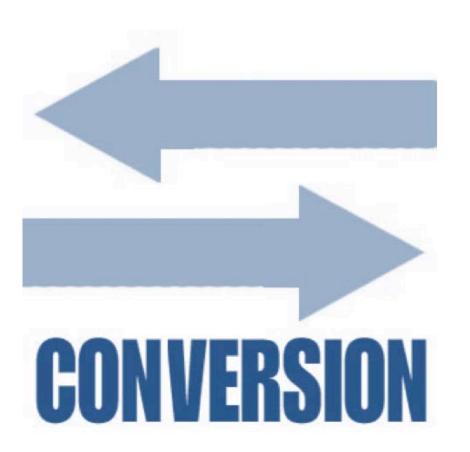
Se 55
Conversion of Firm into LLP



#### Second Schedule

- Convert means, transfer of property, assets, interests, rights, privileges, liabilities, obligations, and undertaking of the Firm
- Firm under PF Act, 1932
- Same partners
- File statement by existing partners along with incorporation documents.
- Registrar's refusal to register Tribunal may be approached
- Refer <u>http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/Regi</u> sterNewComp LLP.html

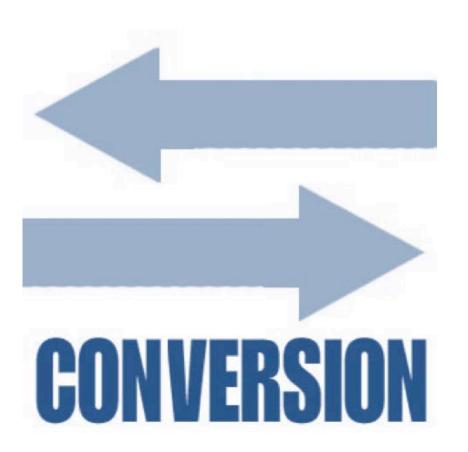
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# Effect of Registration

- PF shall deemed to be dissolved.
- All tangible assets (liabilities?) shall be automatically taken over by LLP
- Pending proceedings
- Existing Agreements, Contracts
- Continuance of Employment
- Partner's liable for earlier liabilities
- Notice of conversion in correspondence – 12 months

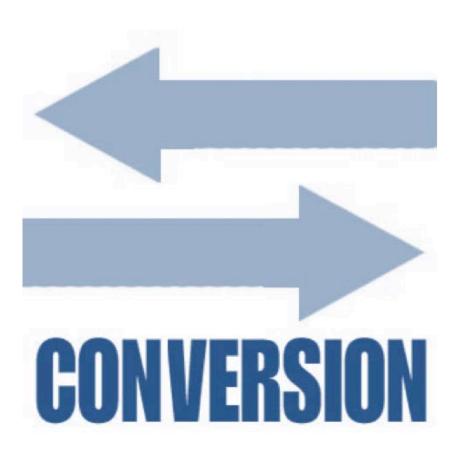
Se 56
Conversion from Pvt Co. into LLP



#### Third Schedule

- Convert means, transfer of property, assets, interests, rights, privileges, liabilities, obligations, and undertaking of the Pvt co
- All SH shall be partners
- No subsisting security interests
- File statement by existing SH along with incorporation documents
- Registrar's refusal to register Tribunal may be approached
- Refer <u>http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/Regi</u> sterNewComp LLP.html

Se 56
Conversion from Pvt Co. into LLP



## **Effect of Registration**

- Registrar to issue COI
- Pvt Co shall deemed to be dissolved and removed from RoC records
- All tangible assets (liabilities?) shall be automatically taken over by LLP
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  - 12 months

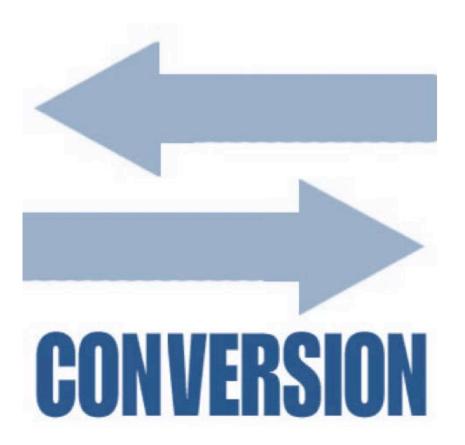
Se 56 - Conversion from Unlisted Public Co. into LLP



#### Fourth Schedule

- Convert means, transfer of property, assets, interests, rights, privileges, liabilities, obligations, and undertaking of the Pvt co
- All SH shall be partners
- No subsisting security interests
- File statement by existing SH along with incorporation documents
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Se 56 - Conversion from Unlisted Public Co. into LLP



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Se 63, 64
Winding up and Dissolution



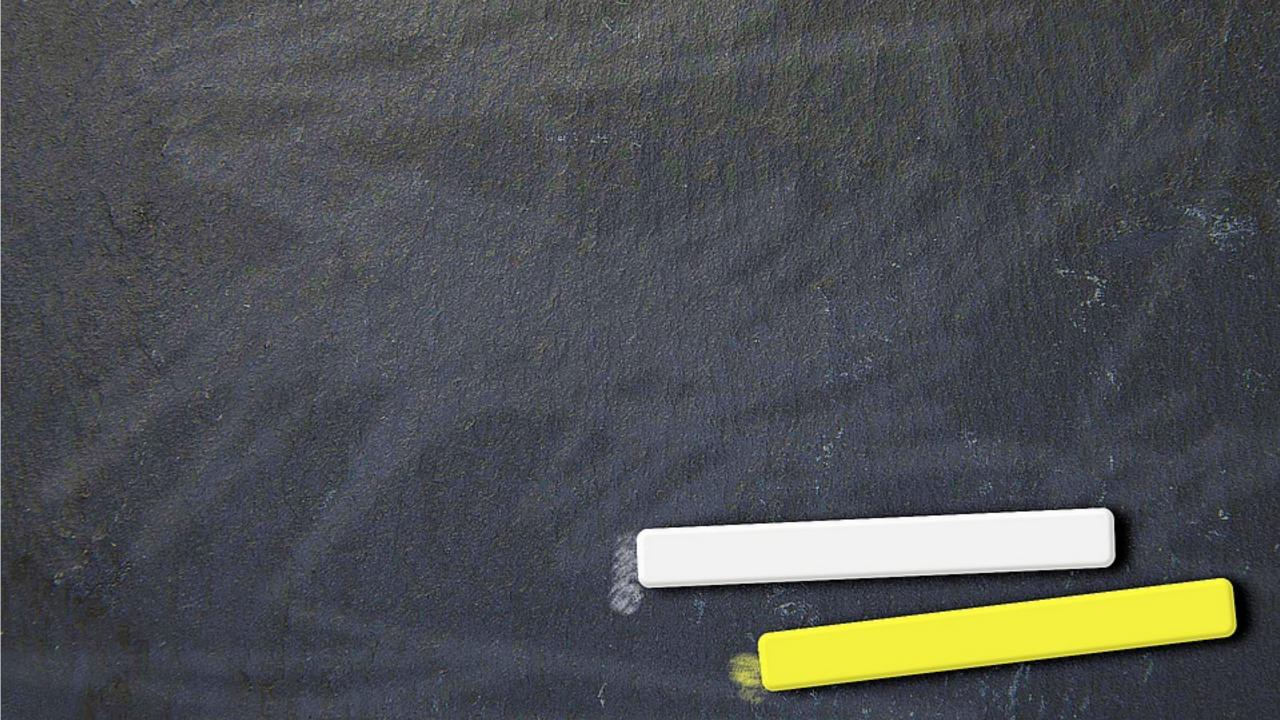
- Voluntary
- Non Voluntary

#### Circumstances

- No of partners falls below 2 over 6 months
- LLP unable to pay its debts
- LLP acted against sovereignty and integrity
- Default in filing SoA, Annual Returns and Solvency for over 5 years
- Tribunal forms an opinion that it is just and equitable

# **Various Forms**





# "If you think compliance is expensive, try non-compliance."

Former Deputy U.S. Attorney General Paul McNulty

# CS Rahul P. Sahasrabuddhe

# **THANK YOU**