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Practices:

Energy, Infrastructure and Resources

Education:

B.S.L, LL.B., ILS Law College, Pune (2005)

Professional Affiliations:

Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh

Shivanshu Thaplyal is a Partner in the Energy, Infrastructure & Resources team. Shivanshu regularly represents clients in the infrastructure sector and advises on corporate/commercial matters and policy and regulatory issues. Shivanshu also has significant experience in corporate transactions and has represented a number of clients in domestic and transnational mergers and acquisitions, takeovers and joint ventures and corporate structuring transactions.

Representative Matters:

In his area of expertise, Shivanshu has represented and advised the following key clients:

Energy and Infrastructure:

- **Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA)** on legal and regulatory matters in relation to the conduct of its bids for Metro projects in Mumbai;
- **MMRDA** in relation to the bid documentation and process for a bulk water supply scheme for a region in India;
- **MMRDA** in relation to the bid process for BKC Smart City project;
- **Power and Energy International (Mauritius) Limited**, a wholly owned subsidiary of **Tenaga Nasional Berhad** on its acquisition of 30% stake in GMR Energy Limited;
- **India Power Corporation Limited** on acquisition of Meenakshi Energy Private Limited;
- **Enel Green Power SpA** on its acquisition of 68% stake in BLP Energy Private Limited, the utility, wind and solar subsidiary of the Bharat Light and Power (BLP) group of companies;
- **CESC Limited** in the proposed acquisition of 7 (seven) special purpose vehicles of a large Indian business group that is engaged in the implementation of solar power projects with a capacity of 5 MW each;
- **Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited** on the proposed acquisition of 3 (three) companies that operated wind projects with a total capacity of 180 (one hundred and eighty) MW across various states in India;



- **JSW Infrastructure Limited** in relation to a concession agreement with the Ministry of Railways under the joint venture model as provided in the participative models in rail connectivity and capacity augmentation projects policy of Ministry of Railways;
- **International Finance Corporation (IFC)** in relation to designing and structuring rooftop solar power projects in the Gujarat on PPP basis;
- **IFC** in relation to upgradation and operation of two dialysis centers in the Bangladesh on PPP basis;
- **Sterlite Industries (India) Limited**, in relation to their proposed acquisition of several power transmissions lines across various states in India;
- **Government of Goa** in relation to the development of a greenfield airport project on PPP basis;
- **SN Power** in a proposed acquisition of hydro projects in India;
- **Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC (Taqa)** in relation to all regulatory and other approvals required in relation to operating hydro projects in India;
- **British Gas** in preparation of labor law manual for all its facilities throughout India;
- **Equis Asia Fund** in relation to the acquisition of a substantial stake in an Indian company that had interests in two 194 MW hydropower projects;
- A leading conglomerate in relation to construction of a road project;
- Several clients on the coal block re-auction process; and
- Clients on the consequences of the cancellation of the allocated coal blocks and its effect on existing contracts and legal rights.

Corporate:

- **Getrag** in drafting and finalizing EPC contracts for their India operations;
- **Itochu Textile Materials (Asia) Limited** in relation to sale of shares of a listed entity in India;
- **MasterCard Inc.** in relation to business and marketing agreements and filing of documents on behalf of its liaison office with the Reserve Bank of India;
- **Bank of Baroda** in the sale of 51% stake of its subsidiary, conducting its credit card business in India, to a Spanish bank;
- **ACC Limited** in an equity investment in an Indian cement company;
- **Tech Mahindra** on a 100% acquisition of shares of another Indian IT company;



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- **Beyondsoft Corporation** on a 100% acquisition of shares of an Indian IT company;
- **Fossil Inc** in relation to the transfer of trademarks from to its Indian subsidiary. Involved in drafting of a Trademark Assumption and Assignment Agreement. Worked on the incorporation of the Indian subsidiary and was involved in the preliminary work done for setting up a manufacturing unit in India;
- **FirstData India** on its day-to-day business operations in India and on various corporate law related matters on an on-going basis; and
- Various clients on a number of due diligence exercises on companies across industry sectors such as energy and infrastructure, cement, information technology, pharmaceutical, textile and real estate, and also conducted a due diligence on a stock exchange.

Publications and Presentations:

- Getting the Deal Through 2017 - India Chapter on Public Private Partnerships;
- A Sustainable Blueprint for Smart Cities - Infrastructure Today (November 2016);
- UDAY - An ambitious Indian Distribution Sector Bailout - Power Today (September 2016);
- Mines and Mineral Ordinance 2015 - Lexology;
- Legal Round Up - Corporate Law - (2014) PL (CL) December 60 - Practical Lawyer; and
- Censorship Beyond Censorship - Legal 500.