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Practices:

Mergers & Acquisitions
Corporate & Commercial
Joint Ventures
Education

Education:

LL.M., Columbia University's
School of Law, New York
LL.B., Symbiosis Society's Law
College, Pune

Professional Affiliations:

New York Bar Association, U.S.
Bar Council of Maharashtra &
Goa

Rajat Mukherjee is a Partner in the Corporate and M&A practice group in the NCR office. With over 20 years of experience, Rajat concentrates primarily on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and cross border transactions.

After completing his LL.M. from Columbia University, Rajat worked in New York and Hong Kong before joining Khaitan in 2010 to help build the Firm's M&A practice in New Delhi, which has recently been ranked as a Band 1 Corporate/M&A practice in India by Chambers & Partners. Rajat is recognized as a Leading Individual for corporate/M&A in Chambers and Partners 2022 Asia Pacific rankings. Rajat was in the Asian Legal Business "40 under 40" list for 2017. He also featured in the Asian Legal Business Super 50 Indian Lawyers list in 2020 and was ranked as Next Generation Partner and identified as a key lawyer in the firm's corporate practice for several years by Legal 500 including in 2021 and 2022.

Rajat represents various domestic and international clients in a range of sectors including media (print and digital), IT & ITES, pharmaceutical and healthcare, FMCG, defense, logistics, education and retail.

Representative Matters:

In his areas of expertise, Rajat has represented and advised prominent clients which include:

- **Capgemini SE** on multiple acquisitions in India;
- **Strategic Partners** investment in Think and Learn Private Limited d/b/a Byju's Series F round at a USD 15.5 billion valuation;
- **WABCO Holdings Inc.** on the India leg in its acquisition by ZF Friedrichshafen AG for an equity value of over USD 7 billion including equity value of Wabco India of approximately USD 1.7 billion. The indirect acquisition of Wabco India triggered an open offer in India under the takeover code;
- **The Committee of Independent Directors of Mindtree Limited** on their obligations pursuant to the open offer



announced by Larsen & Toubro Limited for 31% of the share capital of Mindtree Limited for an aggregate deal value of up to USD 1.5 billion;

- **Edgeconnex, Inc.** as co-counsel along with Allen & Overy in connection with the joint venture with Adani Enterprises Limited for setting up, operating and managing data center business in India with the aim to set up 1GW of data center capacity over the next decade;
- **Elanco Animal Health** on the India leg of its USD 6.89 billion acquisition of the animal health business from Bayer AG;
- **Jagran Prakashan Limited** on various matters including its acquisition of Naidunia, a daily newspaper, and the recent acquisition of "Radio City" FM radio channel from India Value Fund;
- **Laureate Education Inc.** on various matters over the last 10 years including the acquisition and subsequent sale of a higher educational institution which was the largest transaction in the regulated education space in India;
- **Tokio Marine** in relation to acquisition of 23% stake in IFFCO Tokio General Insurance Company Limited (ITGI) from the existing shareholders, IFFCO and Indian Potash Limited, resulting in an increase in TM Asia's equity stake in ITGI from 26% to 49% for USD 392 million;
- **Colfax Corporation** on the India leg of the sale of its fluid handling business to Circor International, Inc. for an estimated aggregate consideration of USD 860 million;
- **The Blackstone Group** on its investment in the holding company of Jagran Prakashan Limited and subsequent exit;
- **Apax Partners** on the India leg of its global joint venture with Accenture for the Duck Creek business;
- **Spencer Stuart** on the Indian leg of its global acquisition of various businesses within the talent practice of Aon Corporation, namely culture and engagement, leadership assessment and development, HR effectiveness and related products and services; and
- **Koovs Marketing Consulting Private Limited** in relation to listing of shares of Koovs PLC on the AIM segment of the London Stock Exchange.

Rajat contributes regularly to various publications on a host of M&A issues including, *American Lawyer*, *Economic Times*, *Asian Legal Business*, *Financial Express*.