



Representative Credentials

# Environment, Health & Safety

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## ABOUT HSA

The legal profession is changing rapidly in light of market disruption, changing client expectations and technological developments. Established in 2003, HSA's focus on continuing evolution has enabled us to constantly adapt to emerging market dynamics and deliver consistent value to clients.

We are a full-service law firm that prides itself on combining knowledge, experience and expertise to create outcome-oriented solutions and ensure our clients stay ahead of emerging opportunities and risks. Our areas of expertise include Projects, Energy & Infrastructure; Banking & Finance; Restructuring & Insolvency; Corporate & Commercial; Regulatory & Policy; Defence & Aerospace; Dispute Resolution; Environment, Health & Safety; Real Estate; Securities & Capital Markets; Technology, Media & Telecommunications; Taxation and Investigations.

We are a law firm built around people. We embrace collaboration while advising our clients and assemble teams of experts to bring the right talent to address every client issue. Our belief in delivering legal advice that recognizes each clients' strategic goals and business requirements allows us to offer pragmatic and implementable support across our platform of practices and sectors.

We measure our success by the service we provide to clients, irrespective of the size, scope and scale of the matter at hand. We are a team of 30+ partners and over 150 professionals based out of four offices across India's major cities – Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Kolkata.

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The key strength of the team is that there is partner involvement throughout the course of assignments which ensures quick turnaround of deliverables.

~ Chambers and Partners

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HSA Advocates is an excellent law firm with proactive approach and exceptional team which provides prompt service and very clear opinions.

~ Legal 500

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Praised for having 'great knowledge' of the practice area and for 'clear' communication of complicated legal matters to clients.

~ RSG India Report

## OUR SERVICES

- Advise on extant environmental laws and their impact on clients' business
- Regulatory support for consents, clearances, approvals and sector-specific requirements
- Support on issues pertaining to pollution, e-waste, waste management, biodiversity, forests and resources
- Compliance audit and risk assessment
- Litigation and enforcement support and representation at NGT and judicial fora

## HSA ADVANTAGE

- Commercially sensitive approach to balance legal obligations and social goals against clients' strategic aspirations
- Multidisciplinary team of specialists from projects, regulatory and disputes backgrounds
- Experience across a range of industry sectors – mining, oil & gas, power, transportation, manufacturing, etc

## PRACTICE HIGHLIGHTS

The following list is indicative of the depth and breadth of our capabilities in Environment, Health & Safety practice area.

### ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB)

On acting as trustee of the Asia Pacific Carbon Fund, in relation to numerous CERs purchase transactions in India including with IL&FS Ecosmart Ltd, VRL Logistics, Himachal Pradesh Power Corp etc

### ASICS CORP

On advising through Baker & McKenzie, GJB Tokyo Aoyama Aoki Koma Law Office (Gaikokuho Joint Enterprise), Tokyo Legal, legal advice on, use, sale and manufacturing etc. of certain shoe products using certain chemical substances in India, and related advisory services

### AVANTOR PERFORMANCE MATERIALS INDIA

On all environmental matters in relation to the development and subsequent operation of its FDA approved pharma ingredients manufacturing facility located at Panoli, Gujarat, as well as its second facility located at Dehradun, Uttarakhand

### ALLIANZ CLIMATE SOLUTIONS GMBH

On structuring related aspects, advising on all equity investment and transaction related documents and undertaking detailed due diligence of the projects, separately advising on all CDM law related aspects for its investment in a portfolio of 21.6 MW electrical generation biogas-based projects in Southern India

### AMPLUS INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPERS

On all environmental matters in relation to its equity investments in a 42.5 MW wind power project platform in the southern part of India

### ECOSECURITIES GROUP PLC., IRELAND

On its CER purchase transaction with Hindalco Industries Limited for purchase of CERs generated from three power projects being developed and implanted by Hindalco Industries Ltd in India, including advising on the ERPAs

### EQUIS ASIA FUND

On all environmental matters in relation to its equity investments in hydro power projects in the north-eastern part of India

### FLINT GROUP NORTH AMERICA CORPORATION

On its global environmental project and review the environmental reports for India, prepared by Environ, from an Indian law perspective

### FIRST CLIMATE (SWITZERLAND) AG

On several of its CER purchase transactions in India, including advising on ERPAs, applicability of the Forward Contracts Regulation Act, 1952, Indian Contract Act, 1872 to ERPAs and other related matters. Advised on laws relating to insolvency in India in light of CDM related issues

### GENERAL ELECTRIC

On EHS audit and review for its oil & gas business, pan India, pursuant to a global reorganization and change in organizational structure

### INEOS FLUOR LIMITED, UK AND HAMMONDS, UK

On a project for purchase of CERs from a CDM project in India, including reviewing and advising on ERPA and all other transaction documents

### JAPAN CARBON FINANCE, TOKYO AND BAKER & MCKENZIE

On a proposed project for purchase of CERs from a CDM project in India including reviewing the ERPA and providing legal opinions of various aspects of the transaction

### JP MORGAN VENTURES ENERGY CORP

On several of its CER purchase transactions in India, including advising on the ERPA, undertaking due diligence of the project/project developer and advising on other CDM law related aspects

### BAKER & MCKENZIE

On the preparation of the India Chapter of the Global Carbon Capture & Storage Institute, Australia - Legal and Regulatory Indicator

On Environmental multi-jurisdictional regulatory analysis for mining and smelting facilities

#### **C-QUEST CAPITAL LLC**

On drafting and finalizing transaction documentation for several CDM transactions in India, advised on the VER purchase transaction with Sreyas Corporate Concepts

On the legal review of tender documents from an Indian law perspective issued by the Ministry of Railways for CFL project

#### **CARBINVEST HOLDINGS LLC AND BAKER & MCKENZIE, AUSTRALIA**

On a proposed CDM project in India, including reviewing and advising on the nitrous oxide reduction contract from an Indian law perspective

#### **CHEYNE CAPITAL UK**

On all their CDM initiatives and CER/VER purchase transactions in India; and on the purchase of CERs/VERs to be generated from several projects in India and advising on all CDM law related aspects, including the transaction with Enercon

#### **CLEAN TRADE GROUP LLC USA**

On all their CDM initiatives and CER/VER purchase transactions in India; advised on the purchase of CERs/VERs to be generated from several projects in India and advising on all CDM law related aspects, including the recent transaction with KVK Energy

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE CAPITAL UK**

On all their CDM initiatives and CER/VER purchase transactions in India; advised on the purchase of CERs/VERs to be generated from several projects in India; and advising on all CDM law related aspects, including the recent transaction with HydroAir, Banyan Environmental Innovations Pvt Ltd and Eastern Organic Fertilizers

On structuring transactions, drafting, negotiating and finalizing relevant transaction documents in relation to the CFL projects along with the BEE announced by the Government of India, principally in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu

#### **COÖPERATIEVE CENTRALE RAIFFEISEN-BOERENLEENBANK B.A. (RABOBANK NETHERLANDS) AND BAKER & MCKENZIE, AUSTRALIA**

On at least six different projects for purchase of CERs from various CDM projects in India

#### **DOW CORNING, USA**

On environmental diligence of their Pune facility, conducting detailed research on diverse environmental laws to identify current registry requirements of Dow Corning Pune Facility and preparing detailed report on the same, including on chemical import for hazardous chemicals

#### **JAIPRAKASH POWER VENTURES**

On its VER sale transaction with VER Pool UK for sale of VERs generated from its 400 MW run of the river hydro-electric project utilizing the waters of the river Alaknanda, located on the Rishikesh-Badrinath Highway in Chamoli, Uttaranchal including advising on the ERPAs

#### **JSW STEEL LTD**

On the sale of CERs from its two CDM projects in India, including reviewing and negotiating the ERPAs proposed to be executed with Noble Carbon Credits, EDF Trading, Sterling Waterford and Essent

#### **LYONDELLBASELL**

On review of environmental permits to determine whether there are any agency notification or approval requirements in connection with a change of control

#### **MANAGING EMISSIONS**

On all their CER purchase transactions in India, including preparing their template ERPAs both as a buyer as well as a seller of CERs and VERs and advising on all related CDM law and regulatory related aspects

#### **MERCK & CO**

On the environmental due diligence in relation to the potential acquisition of an Indian pharmaceutical company having its manufacturing facility in Gujarat

#### **MB POWER (MADHYA PRADESH)**

On representing before NGT, Principal Bench against a petition seeking quashing of the Environmental Clearance, granted in favor of a Thermal Power Project

#### **MACQUARIE BANK LTD (LONDON BRANCH)**

On CER purchase transaction in India with PTC Financial Services Ltd and Orissa Power Consortium

#### **ORBEO, FRANCE**

On their CER purchase transactions in India, including advising on the ERPAs, advising on the purchase of CERs to be generated from various projects in India, advising on all Indian CDM law and regulation related aspects

#### **RABOBANK INTERNATIONAL**

On all their CDM initiatives and purchase of CER/ VERs transactions in India and advising on all CDM law related aspects, including the recent transactions with SRF, Enercon etc

#### **RWE SUPPLY & TRADING SWITZERLAND S. A**

On environmental law matters and CDM project related matters in relation to the certain India projects

#### **SELCO INTERNATIONAL**

On the sale of CERs from its CDM project in India, including reviewing, revising and negotiating the ERPAs

#### **SENERGY GLOBAL**

On their CER purchase transactions in India, including preparing their template ERPAs both as a buyer as well as a seller of CERs and VERs and advising on all related CDM law and regulatory related aspects

#### **STANDARD BANK AND NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK**

On representing through Baker & McKenzie, Australia, for Reconstruction and Development issued 'Green Bonds' which are linked to carbon

emission reduction generated from certain CER programme activities

**STANDARD BANK, UK**

On its CDM initiatives in India, including the Belgaum wind farm project of 24.8 MW for the proposed purchase of CER's and on the purchase of CERs to be generated from the project and advising on all CDM law related aspects

**UGAR SUGAR WORKS**

On the sale of CERs from its CDM project in India, including reviewing, revising and negotiating the ERPAs

**XEROX INDIA**

On legal advisory services pertaining to E-Waste Rules, 2016 and implementation related matters in respect of its Indian operations and businesses

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## AT A GLANCE

### FULL-SERVICE CAPABILITIES

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 <b>INVESTIGATIONS</b>	 <b>LABOR &amp; EMPLOYMENT</b>	 <b>PROJECTS, ENERGY &amp; INFRASTRUCTURE</b>
 <b>PROJECT FINANCE</b>	 <b>REAL ESTATE</b>	 <b>REGULATORY &amp; POLICY</b>
 <b>RESTRUCTURING &amp; INSOLVENCY</b>	 <b>TAXATION</b>	 <b>TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA &amp; TELECOMMUNICATIONS</b>

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