Introduction of Indian Company

'Indian Company' means

A company formed and registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or Companies Act, 2013. Besides, it includes the following:-

- (a) a company formed and registered under any law relating to companies formerly in force in any
- part of India;
- (b) a corporation established by or under a Central, State or Provincial Act;
- (c) any institution, association or body which is declared by the Board to be a company u/s. 2(17).

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- (d) a company formed and registered under any law in force in the State of Jammu and Kashmir;
- (e) a company formed and registered under any law for the time being in force in the Union territories

of Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu, Pondicherry and State of Goa.

In the aforesaid cases, a company, corporation, institution, association or body will be treated as an

Indian company only if its registered or principal office is in India. [Sec. 2(26)]

Rate of Tax

For Domestic Company, income will be taxed @ 30% subject to increase by surcharge @ 7% if the total income exceeds ` 1 crore and @ 12% if the total income exceeds ` 10 crore, Education Cess @ 2% and Secondary and Higher Education Cess @ 1%.

In case of Foreign Companies

Royalty received from Indian Government or an Indian Concern in pursuance of an agreement made by it with the Indian concern after March 31, 1961 but before April1, 1976 or fees for rendering technical services in pursuance of an agreement made by it after February 29, 1964 and where such agreement has, in either case been approved by the Central Government, will be taxed @ 50% subject to increase by surcharge @ 2% if the total income exceeds `1 crore and @ 5% if the total income exceeds `10 crore, Education Cess @ 2% and Secondary and Higher Education Cess @ 1%.

Other income will be taxed @ 40% subject to increase by surcharge @ 2% if the total income exceeds `1 crore and @ 5% if the total income exceeds `10 crore, Education cess @ 2% and Secondary and Higher Education Cess @ 1%

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However, the total amount payable as income tax and surcharge on total income exceeding `1 crore but not exceeding `10 crore, shall not exceed the total amount payable as income tax on a total income of `1 crore, by more than the amount total income exceeds `1 crore. In case, the total income exceeds `10 crore, the amount payable as income tax and surcharge shall not exceed the total amount payable as income tax and surcharge on total income of `10 crore by more than the amount of income that exceeds `10 crore.

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• In case an Indian Company dividend from a specified foreign company for the previous year relevant to the assessment year beginning on the 1st day of April, 2013 or begging on the 1st day of April, 2014 or beginning on the 1st day of April, 2015, the amount of dividend will be taxed at the special rate of 15%.