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Practices:

Corporate and Commercial
Mergers and Acquisitions
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Education:

LL.B., University of Calcutta
(1991)

Professional Affiliations:

Bar Council of West Bengal
Incorporated Law Society of
Kolkata

Sectors:

FMCG
Manufacturing

Aniket Agarwal is a Partner in the Corporate and Commercial practice group in the Kolkata office. He specialises in corporate restructuring, mergers, acquisitions, demergers, reconstructions and capital and debt reorganisation. Aniket also has considerable experience in varied other areas of practice and advises clients on various aspects of law, including family arrangements, securities laws, joint ventures and other commercial contracts, constitutional writs, suits, mismanagement and oppression petitions, insolvency and winding up and other commercial and civil litigation.

Aniket has handled mergers, acquisitions, demergers and litigation in various jurisdictions in the country, including Kolkata, Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Jodhpur, Gwalior, Allahabad, Gauhati, Shillong and Shimla.

Representative Matters:

In his areas of expertise, Aniket has represented and advised the following clients:

Mergers and Acquisitions:

- **ITC Limited** and its subsidiaries on various mergers and demergers, including Merger of ITC Bhadrachalam Paperboards Limited and ITC Hotels Limited with ITC Limited and Demerger of Non-Engineering Business of Wimco Limited to ITC Limited;
- **Hooghly Met Coke & Power Company Limited** on its merger with Tata Steel Limited;
- **TATA Global Beverages Limited (TGBL)** and its subsidiaries on various Mergers and Reconstructions, including Merger of Mount Everest Mineral Water Limited with TGBL, reconstruction by transfer of plantation business to Amalgamated Plantations Private Limited and Merger of wholly owned subsidiaries of TGBL with TGBL;
- **Tata Coffee Limited** on merger of various coffee plantation and processing companies in South India with itself;



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- **Berger Paints India Limited** on merger of BJV Paints India Limited (WOS) with itself;
- **Eisai** Pharmatechnology and Manufacturing Private Limited on Merger of **Eisai Pharmaceuticals** India Private Limited with itself;
- **Bengal & Assam Company Limited** (BACL) and two other holding companies of JK Cement, JK Paper and other operating companies of JK group on Merger of the said holding companies with BACL;
- **Dhunseri Petrochem Limited** on its reconstruction by transfer of PET Resin business to IVL Dhunseri Petrochem Industries Limited, a joint venture company of Indorama Ventures and Dhunseri;
- **Graphite India Limited** on demerger and merger of various businesses and companies with itself;
- **AREVA T&D India Limited** on Reconstruction by transfer of Non T&D Business of AREVA T&D India Limited to ALSTOM Industrial Products Limited followed by Merger of all Areva T&D Group companies in India;
- **Century Plyboards (India) Limited** on various Mergers and Demergers, involving various group/ acquired companies;
- **Choicest Enterprises** Limited and other HVN Bengal Ambuja group companies on various Mergers and Demergers, including consolidation of various hospitality businesses in Choicest Enterprises Limited;
- **SREI Infrastructure Finance Limited** on Reconstruction by transfer of its Equipment Financing Business to Srei Equipment Finance Limited for its joint venture with **BNP** Paribas Lease Group;
- **DIC India** Limited (formerly Coates of India Limited) on Merger of its subsidiaries with itself;
- **Indian Aluminum Company Limited** on its merger with Hindalco Industries Limited;
- **Techno Electric & Engineering Company Limited** (Techno) on Merger of various subsidiaries with itself;
- **Braj Binani Group**, including **Binani Industries Limited, Binani Cement Limited, Binani Metals Limited** and **Goa Glass Fibre Limited** on various Mergers and Reconstructions; and
- **Williamson Magor** Group, including **Williamson Magor & Company Limited, McLeod Russel India Limited** and **Eveready Industries India Limited** on various mergers and demergers.

Dispute Resolution:



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- **Berger Paints India Limited** on various proceedings under the Companies Act, 2013 and Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code, 2016 in Calcutta High Court and NCLT, Hyderabad;
- **ITC Limited** and its subsidiaries in various proceedings in Calcutta and Hyderabad High Courts and NCLT, Kolkata, including defamation suits, trademark infringement suits, writs, applications under Companies Act, 2013, etc.;
- **Aditya Birla Money Limited** before the Calcutta High Court on proceedings;
- **Areva T&D India Limited** before Calcutta High Court on proceedings initiated by it against a debtor;
- **W Hunger Hydraulics** on its disputes with Amiya Commerce & Construction Co Pvt Ltd;
- **Mr Vipul Amrutlal Shah of Block Buster Movie Entertainers** on a Copyright infringement suit against makers of 'Poran Jai Jolia Re' (for copying plaintiff's 'Namstey London'); and
- **Mr PD Agarwal** and his family on litigation, resolution of disputes and family arrangement with regard to various companies and concerns, including **Singhal Enterprises Private Limited**, a sponge iron manufacturing company having its units/ offices at Raigarh, Raipur and Kolkata.

Publications and Presentations:

Aniket has spoken on "Mergers and Demergers" in a seminar organised by Institute of Company Secretaries of India, Eastern Region, Kolkata.