

Laxminiwas & Co, a KNAV International Ltd member firm in South India, has appointed Radhika Verma as a partner in its indirect tax advisory services practice.

Radhika, a chartered accountant by qualification, has extensive experience in indirect taxes, that include service tax, excise, customs, matters pertaining to foreign trade policies, laws relating to special economic zones as well as the intricacies of value added tax.



She joins the KNAV family from Ernst & Young, and has worked on several assignments relating to compliance advisory, due diligence, health checks, litigation and representational services for medium and large corporations. Her experience encompasses a body of work in a wide range of industry sectors such as technology, IT, new age companies, real estate and construction, manufacturing, micro-finance, trading, hospitality, automotive, life sciences, logistics fulfilment and waste-management.

Radhika has prepared and presented concept papers on matters relating to indirect taxes on various forums, including the Hyderabad branch of ICAI, Institute of Public Enterprises, Hotels & Restaurant Association of Telangana state and several B-Schools. She has also contributed with articles in professional forums and indirect tax journals such as S.T.R and E.L.T.

The recent passage of the constitution (*122nd amendment*) Bill, 2014, has set the stage for the implementation of the much needed indirect reforms in India and KNAV has restructured its taxation practice while adding talent and bringing to the fore the competence of its partners in areas relating to international taxation (*including transfer pricing & structuring*), inbound and outbound advisory, representations, direct (*including personal*) & indirect taxation and foreign exchange compliances.

While speaking on her appointment, Radhika Verma also commented on the GST bill:

*"I can see the emphasis that KNAV is providing on strengthening its tax offerings and am delighted to join the fast growing and energetic Laxminiwas & Co and the KNAV organization at a time when the Indian corporate sector will be seeking value driven practical inputs on compliance with GST."*