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Practice Areas

Corporate

Sectors

Energy

Transportation

Mines & Minerals

Construction and Engineering

Urban Infrastructure

About

Kartikeya specializes in projects, regulatory and policy related work in the infrastructure sector. He has advised domestic and international clients (including developers, investors, banks, multilateral agencies, governments, and government authorities) on diverse matters spanning contractual, transactional and regulatory issues. His areas of focus include energy (electricity and renewable energy), transportation (roads, railways, and ports), mines and minerals, construction and engineering, and urban infrastructure (metro railways, sanitation, and water).

His work has involved drafting, negotiating, and reviewing various contractual arrangements, including concession agreements, tender documents, power purchase agreements, transmission service agreements, EPC arrangements, and O&M arrangements. His experience covers public private partnerships (on both the buy-side and sell-side) in multiple infrastructure sectors. He has also been involved in assisting government authorities in drafting and reviewing primary and subordinate legislation.

He is a frequent contributor of articles on the infrastructure sector in notable publications. He has also been recognised as a 'Rising Star' by the IFLR1000 2020 rankings.

Experience

Some of the key assignments in these areas handled and being handled by Kartikeya are, amongst others:

- Advising **Airports Authority of India** on the successful award of separate concessions for the operation, development and management of the Ahmedabad, Lucknow and Mangaluru airports. The assignment has involved drafting the bid documents (including the concession agreements) and advising on the conduct of the bid process, evaluation of bids, and award of the concessions.
- Advising **various State Governments** on the successful auction of mineral blocks under the framework of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulations) Act, 1957 and rules issued thereunder. The assignments have involved drafting the tender documents, and advising on the conduct of the bid process.
- Advised **Pune Metropolitan Region Development Authority** on the successful award of the approx. USD 1.2 billion Pune Metro Line III (Hinjewadi-Shivajinagar) Project to be developed on DBFOT basis. The assignment involved drafting the bid documents (including the concession agreement) and advising on the conduct of the bid process.
- Advised and assisted **Ministry of Finance, Government of India** on drafting the proposed Public Contracts (Resolution of Disputes) Bill, 2016, and Public Private Partnership Rules.
- Undertook a vendor due diligence for **Hero Future Energies** of its entire renewable energy portfolio (solar, wind and solar-rooftop) spanning locations across India, and advised on the investment by the counterparty.
- Advised **Government of Manipur** on the legal aspects for unbundling the generation, transmission, and distribution functions of the Electricity Department, Government of Manipur in accordance with the Electricity Act, 2003.
- Advised **various IPPs and off-takers** on structuring and negotiating their captive power supply arrangements in light of the framework under the Electricity Act, 2003 and extant jurisprudence.
- Advised **Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor Development Corporation Limited** on the successful award of the concession for operating an international convention and expo centre in the National Capital Region. The assignment involved drafting the tender documents, and advising on the conduct of the bid process.

Memberships

Bar Council of Delhi

Publications

“Infrastructure - The Opportunity and Challenges” published in the ET Insights in February, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Amit Kapur, Mr. Vishnu Sudarsan, Mr. Ashish Suman, Ms. Sugandha Somani Gopal and Mr. Akshat Jain)

“Rail Transport - India” published in *Getting the Deal Through - Rail Transport 2020* in October, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Vishnu Sudarsan and Mr. Ashish Suman)

“The 'Smart' Strategy for India's Urban Future” published in *Oil Asia Journal* in October, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Ashish Suman)

“Infrastructure: The Key to Development” published in *EPC World* in June, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Ashish Suman)

India chapter in *Chambers & Partners - Alternative Energy & Power 2019* (Co-written with Mr. Amit Kapur, Mr. Vishnu Sudarsan and Ms. Sugandha Somani Gopal)

“New Privatisation Model to Help Airports Take Off” published in *India Business Law Journal* in June, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Ashish Suman)

“Hyperloop Technology: A Square Peg?” published in *Fortune India* in April, 2019 (Co-written with Mr. Ashish Suman)

Education

B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), Gujarat National Law University (2011)

Master of Public Policy, University of Edinburgh (2016)

Languages Spoken

English

Hindi

Telugu
