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Geography Updates

India Budget 2022: Enabling India's big leap

> 2 February, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT +8) Host: Hemal Zobalia Presenters: Jatin Kanabar, Sanjay Kumar, and Bela Sheth Mao

India Budget 2022 will be presented in the Parliament on 1 February 2022. The Union Budget is expected to put the economy on an accelerated growth path after the impact caused by the pandemic. Amendments in the tax law to bring about sustainable growth, infrastructure investment, focus on R&D spending, nurturing incentives to the core sectors including manufacturing and services, tapping the huge experience of running captive centres are some of the priority items on the agenda of the Government as the preparation gets underway to unveil the budget. Ease of tax compliances, simplification, and digitization are the cornerstones to enhance the ease of doing business in India. With an optimistic outlook towards sustained growth, all eyes are on the announcements. We'll discuss:

- The Government's tax initiatives on reviving the industries and boosting optimism.
- Key policy announcements towards making India self-reliant.
- Analysis and impact of new tax proposals on your sectors and the way forward.

2022 Japan Tax Reform Proposals: Pursuit of Post-Pandemic priorities

> 1 March, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT +8)
 Host: David Bickle
 Presenters: Brian Douglas, Ken Leong, Brian Mayer, and
 Fumiko Mizoguchi

The 2022 Japan Tax Reform reflects the Japanese government's desire to look beyond the pandemic and towards sustainable economic recovery. Proposals include measures to boost consumer spending, smooth the path towards digital transformation, and to continue the reform of the Japanese Consumption Tax (JCT) system. We'll discuss:

- Revisions to tax credits for wage increases and R&D spending.
- Developments in connection with record storage under the Electronic Record Retention Law.
- Latest updates in preparation for the introduction of JCT qualified invoicing.



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Indirect Tax

Updates on Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and Free Trade Agreements (FTA) related origin documentation audits

> 10 February, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT +8) Host: Payal Tuli Presenters: Mitsuko Fukunaga, Jin Kon Jung, David Ware, Meng Yew Wong, and Dolly Zhang

The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership agreement (RCEP), signed on 15 November 2020, took effect on 1 January 2022 (1 February 2022 in Korea). It is the largest and most significant regional agreement concluded in terms of market size, coverage on trade and investment, and population. Apart from RCEPs, we will also discuss the increase in complexity and risks associated with FTA related origin documentation. We'll discuss:

- The Highlights and latest updates on RCEP with special highlights from Australia, China, Korea, Japan, and South East Asia.
- Benefits and what this may mean for your business.
- Experience in relation to origin documentation related queries/audits and best practices to mitigate the risk of denial of the FTA benefit.

Malaysia Indirect Tax Special Voluntary Disclosure and Amnesty Program

> 15 February, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT +8) Host: Senthuran Elalingam Presenters: Larry James Sta Maria and Eng Yew Tan

The Malaysian Government has announced a voluntary disclosure and amnesty program covering the majority of indirect taxes that are levied within the country. The program will operate for a period of nine (9) months commencing from 1 January 2022 and concluding on 30 September 2022. There are a range of benefits that accrue to participants in the program including a full waiver of applicable penalties and a partial waiver (up to 30%) of any underpaid taxes. The indirect taxes covered include Sales Tax, Service Tax, the former GST and Customs and Excise Duties. We'll discuss:

• Which taxpayers are eligible to participate?

- The specific benefits that will be provided to eligible participants.
- The process from applying through to closure.
- The documentation and information requirements.

Indirect Tax developments on electronically supplied services (ESS) and e-invoicing in Asia Pacific

> 3 March, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT +8)
 Host: Richard Mackender
 Presenters: Shrenik Shah, Candy Tang, and Nu To Van

The digitization of indirect taxes continues to gain momentum across the region as more countries adopt or expand e-invoicing requirements. On a similar front, we continue to see adoption of rules imposing indirect taxes on the provision of electronic services by foreign service providers. This session will chart the implementation and development of these rules across the Asia Pacific. We'll discuss:

- · Recap on e-invoicing and ESS requirements.
- The current state of play across the region in terms of jurisdictions that have adopted, announced or proposed e-invoicing or ESS rules.
- An overview of recent expansions and implementations including China and Thailand.
- A retrospective on the implementation of e-invoicing in India.



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Global Mobility, Talent & Rewards

Reward in future of work: Operating an equity plan

> 22 February, 2:00 – 3:00 PM SGT (GMT+8) Host: Rebecca Lai Presenters: Taiki Matsueda, Aarti Raote, and Tommy Sanjaya

Equity compensation is a constantly expanding landscape and its role is becoming more and more important for companies in pursuit of key talents and ultimately their success. In the context of Asia Pacific, the use of equity compensation is a critical part of remunerations strategy led by mature market such as Australia and Japan, and rising generation of start-up companies such as China and India. Unsurprisingly, this is where most governments around the world continue to increase their attention on corporate governance around equity plans ensuring regulatory and tax compliance remaining high on companies' agendas. We'll discuss:

- Recent tax and regulatory development in key countries and/ or government/audit focus on employer's obligation on equity compensation and how to manage the challenges.
- Tax considerations in designing the equity plan to deal with the changing landscape under the future of work.



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