

ELECTIVE COURSE

Chanakya National Law University, Patna

CORPORATE TAX PLANNING (16 Hours)

Course Overview:

This course aims to familiarize the student with the latest provisions of the Indian Corporate tax laws and related judicial pronouncements have implications for various aspects of corporate tax planning to derive legitimate tax benefits permissibly under the law. Tax planning is an exercise undertaken to minimize tax liability through the best use of all available allowances, deductions, exemptions etc.

Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Strengthening the foundations of the analytical approach to Indian tax laws.
2. Understanding the computation of taxable income and tax liability of companies.
3. Understanding corporate tax planning in diverse managerial situations.
4. Understanding the implications of tax benefits and incentives for corporate decisions in various situations.

Unit I: Income Tax Law: Basic concepts relating to income, gross total income, total income, maximum marginal rate of tax, residential status, and scope of total income based on residential status, Incidence of Tax.

Unit II: Computation of taxable income and tax liability of companies: Concept and application of Minimum Alternate Tax; Carry forward and set-off of losses in the case of certain companies; Tax on distributed profits of domestic companies and income distributed to unitholders.

Unit III: Corporate Tax Planning: Meaning of tax planning and management, tax evasion and tax avoidance; Nature, scope and justification of corporate tax planning and management. Practical problems covering tax planning for companies with a case study.

Suggested Readings:

1. Ahuja, G., & Gupta, R. (2023). *Simplified Approach to Corporate Tax Planning and Management*. Delhi: Bharat Law House.
2. Kanga, P., & Vyas, D. (2013). *The Law and Practice of Income Tax (10th ed.)*. Lexis Nexis.
3. Pagare, D. (2009). *Direct tax planning and management*. New Delhi: Sultan Chand & Sons.
4. Singhania, V. K. (2018). *Direct taxes: Law and practice*. New Delhi: Taxmann.
5. Singhania, V. K., & Singhania. M. (2018). *Direct tax planning and management*. Delhi: Taxmann Publications.

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