

From the President

CA Vijay Bhatt

Dear Members,

My deepest prayers for the peace to the departed souls of Pahalgam attack on 22nd April, 2025 and Salute to Indian Army for the "Operation Sindoor" carried out on 7th May, 2025 as war against terrorism ! Cannot express any words beyond this !

The occasion of 50 Years of Chamber's Journal on 25th April, 2025 was witnessed by many Past Presidents, Managing Council Members, Editors, Editorial Board Members, Assistant Editors, Past Chairmen and members of the Journal Committee, Authors and Esteemed Journal Subscribers. The talk by Senior Journalist Mr. Dakshesh Parikh added glory to the event, with CA Ameya Kunte moderating the session. The Journal publisher, CA Shri Rajesh Bhagat (head of M/s. Finesse Graphics & Prints Pvt. Ltd.) was felicitated on this occasion for his long-standing partnership with the Chamber, spanning over 35 years. Dr. K. Shivram (Editor for longest term), Advocate Vipul Joshi (Guest Editor for April, 2025), CA Vipul Choksi (Chairman for longest Term), Editor Anish Thacker and Vice-President CA Jayant Gokhale presented their talks and led the audience to down the memory lane.

CA Ameya Kunte, Chairman and his team introduced the audio version of the Journal articles by using a QR code printed at every article. Convener CA Bhavik Shah presented the interesting demo before the august gathering. Hearty congratulations to CA Ameya Kunte and his team for bringing innovative features in the Chamber's Journal.

On 30th April, 2025, the auspicious Akshay Tritiya Day, Chamber's new office was inaugurated. The Opening Ceremony of the newly made office was witnessed very

happily by the undersigned, Office Bearers, Past Presidents, Managing Council Members and the CTC staff.

The dream of our Past Presidents and our CTC members came true. I must thank Past Presidents Shri Kishor Vanjara, Shri Parag Ved, Shri Haresh Kenia, Shri K.K. Ramani & Shri Hitesh Shah, who all made great efforts in purchase of this office in July, 2023. The office, situated in the same building viz. Rewa Chambers, (Unit no.1 on ground floor), is now functional. I invite our esteemed members to visit our new office, whenever possible.

On 1st May, 2025, Smt. Malthi Sridharan, the newly appointed Hon'ble Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, Mumbai, assumed the charge of her office. The undersigned, along with two managing council members, had an opportunity to felicitate her. Our best wishes for her appointment as Principal Commissioner of Income Tax Mumbai. We also express our sincere thanks to Shri Raj Tandon, the immediate past Hon'ble Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, Mumbai, who retired from the post on 30th April, 2025. He had taken up personal efforts for improvising functioning of the Income Tax Department and the Income Tax Portal.

The International Tax Committee has organized "The Global Transfer Pricing Summit" on 17th May, 2025 at IMC Hall, Mumbai, on completion of 25 years of Transfer Pricing in India, to be led by experts. I urge the members to attend this important workshop to understand TP provisions in depth.

I am very glad to inform you all that more than 290 delegates from different cities have enrolled for the 18th RRC on International

Taxation at Goa from 12th to 15th June, 2025, leading to the houseful status of the RRC, more than 2 months before the RRC, for which I am thankful to the delegates.

During May & June, International Taxation Committee and Student Committee have jointly organized "2nd International Taxation Course for Beginners" (Virtual mode) comprising of 10 sessions of 2 hours each by eminent faculties. I encourage the members to take benefit of this learning opportunity in the field of International Taxation.

The Membership & Public Relations Committee organized Self Awareness Series on 24th April, 2025 virtually on the topic "Juggle Less, Achieve More : Time & Priority Hacks that work" by CA Atul Bheda, which was very well attended and appreciated by the members.

Our Delhi Chapter organized a webinar on a unique topic "US Tariff and Turbulence". It was joint presentation of panel discussion by Indian and international speakers. I congratulate Advocate Prakash Sinha and his team for organizing this interesting webinar.

This month's Journal features a special story on "Current Practical Issues in GST". I thank CA Ameya Kunte alongwith CA Rajiv Luthia, CA Rajkamal Shah and CA Jinit Shah and his team for selecting this unique topic. I thank all the authors for their contributions.

Centenary Year - Inaugural Function on 4th July, 2025

And slowly we are approaching towards the conclusion of the term 2024-25, after which we all will see the Sunrise of the Centenary Year.

Before I conclude, I appeal to you all to block Friday, 4th July, 2025 to witness the Inaugural Program of the Centenary Year of the Chamber of Tax Consultants.

Dear Members, The Centenary Year Inaugural Function, like Maha Kumbh Mela, is coming once in a span of One Hundred Years. It will come again only after another (2nd of) One Hundred Years.

CA Vipul Choksi, Chairman of the Centenary Year Committee and his team have planned a Grand Inaugural Program on Friday, 4th July, 2025 to celebrate the beginning of the Centenary Year of the Chamber. There will be a few special presentations in the function.

I urge the members to attend this once in life time celebration function in large numbers. Let all of us be witness to the Happening of the Chamber's 100th Year. The detailed program will be announced shortly. Keep watching for the announcement.

Jai Hind !

CA Vijay Bhatt
President

