

Report on Forensic Accounting In India

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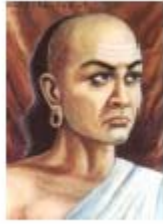
Forensic Accounting is a simply analysis of evidences. Forensic accounting is the specialty practice area of accounting that describes engagements which result from real or anticipated litigation. The word forensic accounting can be divided into two parts – forensic means relating to, or used in courts of law or public debate or argument. Accounting means language that provides information about the financial position of an organization.

What is Indiaforensic?

Indiaforensic is a cluster of people possessing the technical excellence in forensic accounting and are working together as national enterprise for forensic accounting leadership. Indiaforensic helps the businesses to solve global financial fraud related problems by working with various organizations and educational leaders.

Why Indiaforensic?

Indiaforensic are the pioneers in the field of forensic accounting, well connected and networked with the industry. Indiaforensic is known for creating new educational and consulting products and services that break the industry norms. Management development programs will actually give the educational partners an edge over their peers in the educational market. With about 20 representative offices across the country and a network of more than 600+ members Indiaforensic leads the forensic accounting movement in India.

**Kautilya****Birbal****Tenaliram**

In 1940 Maurice Paulobet coined the term Forensic Accounting. Worldwide we consider Sherlock Holmes to be the first Forensic Accountant; however the contribution of some of the historic characters in India cannot be ignored.

In India Kautilya was the first person to mention the famous forty ways of embezzlement in his famous Kautilya Arthashastra during the ancient Mauryan Times. In an exercise carried out at "Indiaforensic" we called Kautilya back in to the 21st Century and have started the series of conversations between the computer and Kautilya. When Kautilya speaks to the computer he finds that all most all the major failures in corporate world of USA were the extended versions of what Kautilya said few thousand years. Even the number of schemes has hardly changed. The detailed conversation is available in the Indian Forensic Accounting Manual published by "Indiaforensic."

Birbal was the Scholar in the time of King Akbar. He used various tricks to investigate various crimes. Some of his stories give the fraud examiner a brief idea about the Litmus test of investigation. Gem of Indian Fraud Examiners, Chetan Dalal can be credited with actually applying the stories of the Birbal to the Investigation of the frauds. In various articles published in BCAS Journal he has explained how Birbal's trap and Birbal's Litmus test approaches are significantly used while investigating the accounting frauds.

The third scholar in the above picture is Tenaliram who again emphasise on the investigative techniques used to find the perpetrators.

CFAP

**Certified Forensic
Accounting Program**

CBFA

**Certified Bank
Forensic Accounting**

CAME

**Certified Anti- Money
Laundering**

There are many specialized courses that teach you to combat frauds. Asian School of Cyber Laws is one such initiative that teaches people about the frauds related to cyber world. Indian chapter of ACFE offers the course based on the white-collared crimes prevalent in USA they are based on the US laws. There are three courses on frauds in India. Indiaforensic is the only formal body that provides formal education about forensic accounting in India. Indiaforensic is however not affiliated to any of the Universities.

Certified Forensic Accounting Program - CFAP

Certified Forensic Accounting Program is the course dedicated to Corporate Frauds in India. It speaks about the classification of the Corporate Frauds and the ways to investigate the frauds in various different sectors. The course is invite-only.

Certified Bank Forensic Accounting - CBFA

Certified Bank Forensic Accounting is the course dedicated to Bank Frauds in India. The course is exam-only. Computer based examination is required to obtain the certifications.

Certified Anti-Money Laundering Expert – CAME

Certified Anti-Money Laundering Expert is dedicated course on Anti-Money Laundering. It also focus on the various aspects that a good software should detect in its AML solution. Basic concepts are also explained in the same course.

In India serious fraud office and IRDA have special focus on the frauds however there is no specialized education provided by any of the universities in the country. White Collared crime is an ignored area in that sense.

First Indian CFE

Mr. Sharad Kumar is the first person from India who completed the fraud examination successfully. He is the man behind the India operations of ACFE chapter.

First Regent Contestant

Dr. Vishnu Kanhere is the first individual to contest the elections for the Board of regents. He is the only person from India who contested the elections of year 2005 Board of regents.

First CFE Award

Mr. Mayur Joshi was the first person to bag the International ACFE award for the outstanding performance in Community or Outreach for the year 2006-2007

Highest Score



Ms. Vaishali Mahajan is the highest scorer in the courses offered by Indiaforensic. She works with KPMG and she scored highest marks in Certified Bank Forensic Accounting program offered by Indiaforensic with 99% score.

Most Popular



Mr. Sumit Makhija from PriceWaterHouse Coopers, Delhi was most popular forensic accounting professional in India according to the Poll conducted by Indiaforensic in the year 2006-07. He garnered 27% of the total votes.

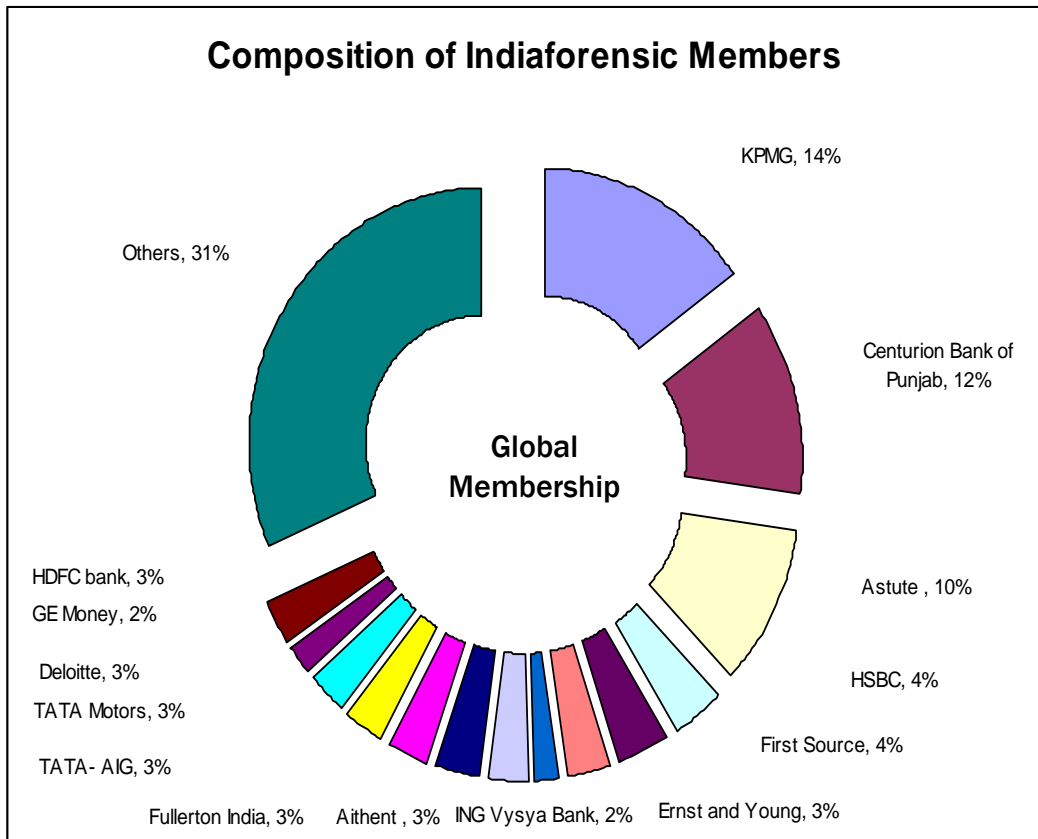
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Capt. Percy Jokhi from FirstSource, Mumbai is the winner of Nationwide Excellence program on Fraud Management – He has resolved maximum number of Fraud Cases in his tenure at various companies and Banks



In India KPMG is the biggest recruiter of the forensic accountants. Out of the total forensic accountants registered with Indiaforensic 14% of the professionals are working for KPMG. In India Deepankar Sanwlaka heads the Forensic Accounting practice of KPMG.



In banking sector Centurion bank of Punjab employs maximum number of Forensic Accountants and is the banking leader in the field of forensic accounting. Out of the total members registered with Indiaforensic 12% of the professionals belong to Centurion Bank of Punjab.

Computer forensics is a science of using the technology to aid the litigations. Computer forensic requires various tools which are used in identifying the sources of the evidences, preserving and analyzing the evidences and presenting the case or the report. All these events are managed by the Forensic Softwares. Forensic Software market in India is dominated by two big players.



Forensics Guru is the venture of Mr. Samir Datt who distributes the products of AccessData – Global forensic solution provider. Forensics Guru is a Delhi based company and have a strong presence in the Northern part of the country.



Lab Systems is the company managed and promoted by S. Venkatesan. The company is based in Mumbai and is the oldest forensic software solution company. Lab System distributes the software called Encase. It has a very strong presence in Southern part of the country.

There are some data analysis softwares like ACL, IDEA and ActiveData which are also called as the auditing technologies and are considered as the tools of working with the databases in an effective manner. Sometimes these solutions can also be used for the forensic investigations.

Subex Systems has got a telecom frauds management software whereas the companies like Iflex, TCS, Infosys, 3i Infotech have their own solutions to combat the peril of Money laundering for the banking sector.

Books on frauds are the only resource available that helps to enrich the knowledge. It becomes the permanent reference. In India we donot find much books written by the Indian Authors. Many of the resources come from the Non-Indian authors. A big chunk of the books pertaining to

frauds and written by the Indian authors are pertaining to bank frauds.

1. The book written by R.P. Nainta captioned as "The Banking System, Frauds and Legal Control".
2. The most widely selling book on frauds is Occupational Frauds and Money Laundering written by Mr.Mayur Joshi-who happens to be a Certified fraud examiner. The book is published by Snow-White Publications.
3. Indiaforensic has also published the books on ATM & Credit Card Frauds and also the book on Money Laundering.

Surveys Related to Frauds in India

Big daddies of accounting dominate the consulting market of frauds in India and that is the probable reason why KPMG, Ernst & Young and PriceWaterHouse Coopers presented their surveys related to frauds with India Focus. They have very interesting findings.

Apart from this Indiaforensic Research Foundation presented the report on Cyber squatting on the Indian public sector banks. Yet another survey was on the bank frauds classification.

NCRCC published the report on the cyber crimes, which crystallized the damage caused by the cyber frauds to Indian economy.

Conferences Related to Frauds in India

The ACFE India chapter organizes conferences in association with the various organisations like Indiaforensic, The IIA and others. One of the biggest organizers of these fraud management conferences in India is Marcus Evans which has recently started organizing the programs in association with the Fraud Investigation Guru Chetan Dalal.

One of the finest conferences on Forensic Accounting were organized by Indiaforensic in Le'Meridian in Pune

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