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With 31 years' experience, Hardeep Sachdeva advises Indian and multinational clients and is consistently rated India's leading corporate and M&A lawyer. Hardeep advises across all sectors, including foundation, impact sector investments, real estate, retail, hospitality, e-commerce, education, technology, infrastructure, manufacturing, and others. Hardeep has been associated with several landmark M&A and private equity investment and financing transactions and has done pioneering work, within and outside India, in both listed and unlisted companies and on numerous acquisitions, joint ventures, including cross-border transactions. He advises clients on investment strategies, transaction structures and drafting and negotiating transaction documents. He also advises companies and foundations on their India entry strategy. Hardeep has been a member of governmental and other industry committees.

Experience

- AZB & Partners (2004 – Present)

Key Practice Areas / Sectors

- Banking & Finance
- Corporate / Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Client Practice
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Restructuring & Insolvency
- E-Commerce & Retail
- Infrastructure
- Microfinance
- Real Estate

Recent Work Highlights

- Xander Investments / Virtuous Retail on several investments and exits in real estate, including commercial, residential, warehousing and retail malls
- Amazon Inc. on investments in technology and e-commerce companies in India
- Michael & Susan Dell Foundation on its investments and lending in impact sector companies in India
- Varde Partners Inc. on investments and lending in the real estate sector in India
- Havells India on its acquisitions and sales within and outside India
- Rockefeller Foundation on its investment in India

Directorships, Memberships & Affiliations

- Bar Council of Delhi (1995)

Professional Qualifications

- Bachelor of Law, CLC, Delhi University (1995)
- Bachelor of Arts (Economics Hons), Shri Ram College of Commerce, Delhi University (1992)

Ranked as a 'Band 1' lawyer (2021 – 2026) and a 'Leading individual' (2019 – 2020) for Real Estate by Chambers Asia-Pacific

Recognized as 'Highly Regarded' for M&A (2016 – 2025) and Private Equity (2025) by IFLR1000

Inducted into the 'Hall of Fame' for Real Estate and Construction by Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2026)

'Leading Partner' for Private Client (2025 – 2026), Real Estate & Construction (2025) and 'Recommended Lawyer' for Corporate/M&A and Restructuring & Insolvency (2025 – 2026) by Legal 500 Asia Pacific

'Leading Individual' for Private Client Practice (2023 – 2024) and Real Estate (2024), and 'Recommended' for Banking & Finance (2024), Private Client Practice (2022), Private Equity & Investment Funds (2021 – 2023) and Real Estate (2020 – 2023) by Legal 500 Asia Pacific

Recognized as a 'Litigation Star of the Year' for Construction by Benchmark Litigation Asia Pacific (2025 – 2026)

Recommended as a 'Global Leader' (2021) and 'Leading Practitioner' (2015, 2016, 2018 – 2020) for Real Estate by the International Who's Who Legal

Recognized in the India Business Law Journal A-List (2025 – 2026)

Featured in IBLJ's 'A-List of India's Top 100 Lawyers' (2020 & 2022 – 2024)

Recognized as a 'Distinguished Practitioner' for Real Estate (2020 – 2025) and as a 'Leading Lawyer' for Construction & Real Estate, Corporate/M&A, Investment Funds and Private Equity (2018) by AsiaLaw Profiles

Named a Leading Lawyer Champion for Real Estate & Construction (2022 – 2023) and Corporate/M&A (2023) in the Legal Era Leading Lawyer Rankings

Named a 'Top Indian Lawyer' in the Forbes Legal Powerlist (2022 – 2023)
