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With over 20 years of experience, Vaidhyanadhan Iyer specialises in Corporate / M&A, Private Equity, Joint Ventures and Structured Finance, with a key focus on public company deals and regulatory litigation. Vaidhyanadhan has a broad range of experience in acquisitions, exits, formation and liquidation of joint ventures, restructuring of businesses and representing investors and investees in M&A and private equity transactions. He regularly acts for domestic and international clients across varied industry sectors, including e–commerce, healthcare, financial services, manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, and retail.

Experience

- Partner, AZB & Partners (2014 – Present)

Key Practice Areas

- Corporate / Mergers & Acquisitions
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Regulatory & Securities
- Restructuring & Insolvency

Recent Work Highlights

- Tata Motors on the proposed (i) approximately USD 1.25 billion internal restructuring of its passenger vehicle business; and (ii) USD 1.5 billion capital reduction by reorganisation of their securities premium and accumulated losses, through a scheme of arrangement
- Hexaware Ltd. on its voluntary delisting from stock exchanges in India
- GE, Temasek, Clearstone and TA Associates on their proposed sale of shares as part of PayU's US$ 4.7 billion acquisition of Billdesk
- Warburg on its (i) acquisition of Capital First, a listed NBFC and resultant open offer; (ii) acquisition of a stake in CAMS including the acquisition financing; (iii) sale of part of its stake in CAMS to anchor investors including insurance companies, mutual fund, PEs, prior to IPO; and (iv) acquisition of a controlling stake in Avanse Financials
- Advent International on its proposed acquisition of a controlling stake in Eureka Forbes for an enterprise value of ~US$ 580 million, subject to closing adjustments and resultant work around securities laws, including Takeover Regulations
- Accenture on its India focused M&As

Directorships, Memberships & Affiliations

- Bar Council of Maharashtra & Goa

Professional Qualifications

- Bachelor of Law, Mumbai University (2006)

- Associate Company Secretary (2003)

Ranked at #6, amongst 50 Lawyers for RSGI Private Capital Rankings (2026)

Ranked for Private Equity by Chambers Asia-Pacific (2026)

Ranked at #5, amongst 50 Lawyers for RSGI Private Capital Rankings (2025)

Recognized as 'Highly Regarded' (2025) and 'Notable Practitioner' (2018 – 2024) for M&A and Private Equity by IFLR1000

Recognized as a 'Notable Practitioner' (2020 – 2026) and a 'Leading Lawyer' (2016 – 2019) for Corporate/M&A by Asialaw Profiles

Recommended Lawyer for Corporate/M&A and Private Equity Funds by Legal 500 Asia Pacific (2025 – 2026)

Part of the '40 under Forty India Inc's Top Young Leaders, a list published by the Economic Times (2021)

Part of Top 40 in the 'Top 100 Corporate Dealmakers of the Year 2018–19' List published by Legally India

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