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Ram Kumar Poornachandran is part of the Firm's Competition/ Antitrust practice and has over 15 years of experience. He specialises in merger control mandates, cartelisation, and abuse of dominance cases. Ram advises clients on complex matters across various sectors including digital markets, pharmaceuticals, media, petrochemicals, energy, FMCG, and glass. Ram holds an LL.M. from the National University of Singapore and a postgraduate diploma in competition economics from the King's College, London. He is a 'Non-Governmental Advisor' to the CCI.

Experience

- Senior Partner (Nov 2021 – Present)

Key Practice Areas

- Competition/ Antitrust

Recent Work Highlights

- Swiggy.com on an alleged abuse of dominance complaint before the CCI
- Google on an alleged abuse of dominance investigation before the CCI
- Bain Capital on its acquisition of interest in IIFL Wealth Management
- Star India on proceeding before various High Courts and the Supreme Court of India challenging CCI orders directing investigation
- Nunhems on an alleged cartel investigation before the CCI

Memberships

- Bar Council of Tamil Nadu (2007)

Professional Qualifications

- Post Graduate Diploma in Competition Economics, King's College (2017)
- LL.M, National University of Singapore (2008)
- B.A, B.L (Hons), TN. Dr Ambedkar Law University (2007)

Ranked for Competition/Antitrust by the Chambers Global (2022 – 2024)

Ranked for Competition/Antitrust by the Chambers Asia–Pacific (2022 – 2024)

Named 'Up and Coming' Lawyer for Competition/Antitrust by the Chambers Global (2019 – 2021)

Named 'Up and Coming' Lawyer for Competition/Antitrust by the Chambers Asia–Pacific (2019 – 2021)

Recognized as a 'Distinguished Practitioner' for Competition/ Antitrust by Asialaw Profiles (2024)

Recommended for Competition/ Antitrust by Legal 500 Asia–Pacific (2021 – 2022, 2024)

Recognized as a 'Future Leader – Partner' for Competition by Who's Who Legal (2020 – 2022)

Named a Leading Lawyer for Antitrust & Competition in the Legal Era Leading Lawyer Rankings (2022 - 2023)
