Chapter – 15

Consolidated & Separate Financial Statements

Q. 1

Scenario A:

In this case, Company A satisfies all the conditions for not preparing consolidated financial statements i.e. it is not a listed entity nor it is in the process of listing, the parent of Company A prepares consolidated financial statements as per Ind AS which is available for public use and parent of Company A does not object Company A not preparing consolidated financial statements.

Hence, Company A is not required to prepare consolidated financial statements.

Scenario B:

In this case, the consolidated financial statements of parent of Company A are not prepared under Ind AS. Hence Company A cannot avail the exemption from preparation of consolidated financial statements.

Scenario C:

In this case, Mr. X (an individual) would not be preparing its financial statements as per the requirements of Ind AS which is available for public use. Hence Company A cannot avail the exemption from preparation of consolidated financial statements.

Q. 2

In this case, both the investors A Ltd. and B Ltd. have the rights to unilaterally direct different relevant activities of AB Ltd. Here, investors shall determine which activities can most significantly affect the returns of the investee and the investor having the ability to direct those activities would be considered to have power over the investee. Hence, if the investors conclude that the construction related activities would most significantly affect the returns of AB Ltd. then A Ltd. would be said to have power over AB Ltd. On the other hand, if it is concluded that marketing and selling related activities would most significantly affect the returns of AB Ltd. then B Ltd. would be said to have power over AB Ltd.

Q. 3

In this case, A Ltd. is able to direct the activities that can most significantly affect the returns of Fund X. Hence A Ltd. has power over the investee. However, this does not mean that A Ltd. has control over the fund and consideration will have to be given to other elements of control evaluation as well i.e. exposure to variable returns and link between power and exposure to variable returns.

Q. 4

Scenario A:

Company C is a partly owned subsidiary of Company A. In such case, Company C should inform the other 40% equity shareholders about Company C not preparing consolidated financial statements and if they do not object then only Company C can avail the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements.

Scenario B:

In this scenario, Company C is 100% held by Company A (60% direct investment and 40% investment through Company B). Hence, Company C is not required to inform to Company B of not preparing consolidated financial statements and can avail the exemption from preparing the consolidated financial statements.

Managing the investee's asset portfolio is the relevant activity of the investee.

The asset manager has the ability to direct the relevant activities until defaulted assets reach the specified proportion of the portfolio value; the debt investor has the ability to direct the relevant activities when the value of defaulted assets surpasses that specified proportion of the portfolio value.

The asset manager and the debt investor each need to determine whether they are able to direct the activities that most significantly affect the investee's returns, including considering the purpose and design of the investee as well as each party's exposure to variability of returns.

Q. 6

Scenario A:

If the investors holding 90% of the voting power exercise their right to terminate the management agreement, then it will result in B Ltd. having to pay huge penalty which will affect the returns of B Ltd. This is a barrier that prevents such investors from exercising their rights and hence such rights are not substantive.

Scenario B:

To take back the decision-making rights from A Ltd., investors holding majority of the voting power need to vote in favour of removal of rights from A Ltd. However, the investors having disputes with A Ltd. do not have majority voting power and hence the rights held by them are not substantive.

Q. 7

Scenario A:

The right to exercise purchase option is not substantive since the option exercise price is too high as compared to current market price of ABC Ltd.

Scenario B:

The right to exercise purchase option is not substantive since the time period for the investor to arrange for the requisite amount for exercising the option is too narrow.

Scenario C:

The right to exercise purchase option is not substantive. This is because the investor is not able to obtain information about the market value of ABC Ltd. which is necessary in order to compare the option exercise price with market price so that it can decide whether the exercise of purchase option would be beneficial or not.

Q. 8

If the other investors exercise their removal rights, then it will impact the operations of the fund and ultimately the returns of the fund since there is no substitute of the current asset manager available who can manage the corpus of the fund. Hence the removal rights held by other investors are not substantive.

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The activities that most significantly affect the returns of PQR Ltd. are the funding and capital structure of PQR Ltd., hiring of employees and their remuneration, vendors for capital items, etc. which are exercisable by PQR Ltd. Further, the retails outlet is being set up by PQR Ltd. without any financial support from ABC Ltd. The rights available with ABC Ltd. are to protect the brand name of ABC Ltd. and such rights do not affect the ability of PQR Ltd. to take decisions about relevant activities. Hence, the rights held by ABC Ltd. are protective rights.

On the basis of the absolute size of its holding by the investor and the relative size of the voting rights held by other shareholders, it is more likely that the investor would have power over the investee.

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In this case, it is less likely that ABC Ltd. will have power over XYZ Ltd. since the size of the number of shareholders required to outvote ABC Ltd. is not so high. Additional facts and circumstances should also be considered to determine whether ABC Ltd. has power or not.

Q. 12

PQR Ltd. was involved in the design of XYZ Ltd. Accordingly, its involvement in the design may indicate that the investor had the opportunity to obtain rights that are sufficient to give it power over the investee. However, being involved in the design of XYZ Ltd. alone is not sufficient to give PQR Ltd. control over XYZ Ltd. and hence other facts and circumstances, such as other contractual arrangements, should also be considered.

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In this question, the design of the investee ensures that the investor has decision-making power only in case of default of a receivable. The terms of the agreement between investee and investor are integral to the overall transaction and the establishment of the investee. Therefore, the terms of the agreement together with the founding documents of the investee lead to the conclusion that the investor has power over the investee even though the investor takes ownership of the receivables only upon default and manages the defaulted receivables outside the legal boundaries of the investee.

Q. 14

A Ltd. would be the most affected by the operations of B Ltd. since it is dependent on B Ltd. for the supply of packing materials. Therefore A Ltd. would be committed to ensure that B Ltd. operates as designed. This can be an indicator of A Ltd. having power over B Ltd. But it has to consider other facts and circumstances as well to conclude whether it control B Ltd. or not.

Q. 15

The asset manager is paid fixed and performance-related fees that are commensurate with the services provided. The remuneration aligns the interests of the fund manager with those of the other investors to increase the value of the fund. The asset manager has exposure to variability of returns from the activities of the fund because it holds 35% of the equity and from its remuneration.

Although operating within the parameters set out in the investee's prospectus, the asset manager has the current ability to make investment decisions that significantly affect the investee's returns -the removal rights held by the other investors receive little weighting in the analysis because those rights are held by a large number of widely dispersed investors. In this example, the asset manager places greater emphasis on its exposure to variability of returns of the fund from its equity interest, which is subordinate to the debt instruments. Holding 35% of the equity creates subordinated exposure to losses and rights to returns of the investee, which are of such significance that it indicates that the asset manager is a principal. Thus, the asset manager concludes that it controls the investee.

Even though the sponsor is paid a market-based fee for its services that is commensurate with the services provided, the sponsor has exposure to variability of returns from the activities of the fund because of its rights to any residual returns of the fund and the provision of credit enhancement and liquidity facilities (i.e. the fund is exposed to liquidity risk by using short-term debt instruments to fund medium-term assets). Even though each of the transferors has decision-making rights that affect the value of the assets of the fund, the sponsor has extensive decision-making authority that gives it the current ability to direct the activities that most significantly affect the fund's returns (i.e. the sponsor established the terms of the fund, has the right to make decisions about the assets (approving the assets purchased and the transferors of those assets) and the funding of the fund (for which new investment must be found on a regular basis)). The right to residual returns of the fund and the provision of credit enhancement and liquidity facilities expose the sponsor to variability of returns from the activities of the fund that is different from that of the other investors. Accordingly, that exposure indicates that the sponsor is a principal and thus the sponsor concludes that it controls the fund. The sponsor's obligation to act in the best interest of all investors does not prevent the sponsor from being a principal.

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The exit strategies are in place for investments done in equity shares. But not in place for investments done in debt instruments. However, it should be noted that the debt instruments have fixed maturity period and they cannot be held for indefinite period. Hence, there is no need for having exit strategies for such instruments. Accordingly, the exit strategy condition is fulfilled for being classified as investment entity.

Q. 18

Out of the three elements of the definition of an investment entity, the investment fund fulfils the two elements very clearly i.e. it obtains fund from more than one investor for providing investment management services and measures and evaluates its investments on fair value basis.

The typical characteristics of an investment entity are also present in the structure of the investment fund i.e. more than one investment, more than one investor, investors are unrelated and investment fund issues units in the fund to the investors.

With respect to the business objective of the investment fund, the objective is to earn capital appreciation from its investments. The strategic advisory services and financial support provided to investees are extended with the intention of earning higher capital appreciation from the investees.

However, judgement should to be applied that these do not represent substantial business activity or a separate substantial source of income for the investment fund. If the investment fund concludes that these services and financial support to investees are not substantial business activity and substantial source of income for the investment fund, then only the investment fund can be treated as an investment entity.

Q. 19

PQR Ltd. And DEF Ltd. Are part of same group. Further, DEF Ltd. Have exclusive right to acquire the patent and distributions rights from the investees of PQR Ltd. And that too at less than the market price. Hence, the related party of PQR Ltd. Is in position to obtain benefits other than capital appreciation and investment income from the investees that are not available to other parties unrelated to the investee. Accordingly, PQR Ltd. Cannot be classified as investment entity.

Even though HTF Ltd.'s business purpose is investing for capital appreciation and it provides investment management services to its investors, HTF Ltd. Is not an investment entity because of the following arrangements and circumstances:

- (a) T Ltd., the parent of HTF Ltd. Holds options to acquire investments in investees held by HTF Ltd. If the assets developed by the investees would benefit the operations of T Ltd. This provides a benefit in addition to capital appreciation or investment income; and
- (b) the investment plans of HTF Ltd. Do not include exit strategies for its investments, which are equity investments. The options held by T Ltd. Are not controlled by HTF Ltd. And do not constitute an exit strategy.

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Q. 26

As per paragraph 60 and 61 of Ind AS 16, 'Property, Plant and Equipment', a change in the method of depreciation shall be accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate as per Ind AS 8 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors'.

Therefore, the selection of the method of depreciation is an accounting estimate and not an accounting policy.

The entity should select the method that most closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in the asset. That method should be applied consistently from period to period unless there is a change in the expected pattern of consumption of those future economic benefits in separate financial statements as well as consolidated financial statements.

Therefore, there can be different methods of estimating depreciation for property, plant and equipment, if their expected pattern of consumption is different. The method once selected in the individual financial statements of the subsidiary should not be changed while preparing the consolidated financial statements.

Accordingly, in the given case, the property, plant and equipment of PQR Ltd. (subsidiary company) may be depreciated using straight line method and property, plant and equipment of parent company (MNC Ltd.) may be depreciated using written down value method, if such method closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the respective assets.

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Q. 32

The arrangement is a joint arrangement since both the parties are bound by the contractual arrangement and the decisions about relevant activities require unanimous consent of both the parties.

Q. 33

In this case, the parties have implicitly agreed that they have joint control of the arrangement because decisions about the relevant activities cannot be made without both parties agreeing.

Q. 34

In this case, even though A can block any decision, it does not control the arrangement because it needs the agreement of B. The terms of their contractual arrangement requiring at least 75% of the voting rights to make decisions about the relevant activities imply that A Ltd. and B Ltd. have joint control of the arrangement because decisions about the relevant activities of the arrangement cannot be made without both A Ltd. and B Ltd. agreeing.

Q. 35

A Ltd. and B Ltd. have joint control of the arrangement only if the contractual arrangement specifies that decisions about the relevant activities of the arrangement require both A Ltd. and B Ltd. agreeing.

Q. 36

The decisions about relevant activities are required to be taken by majority of board of directors. Hence, out of the 4 directors, at least 3 directors need to agree to pass any decision. Accordingly, the directors appointed by any one investor cannot take the decisions independently without the consent of at least one director appointed by other investor. Hence, Electronics Ltd. is jointly controlled by both the investors. R Ltd. holding majority of the voting rights is not relevant in this case since the voting rights do not given power over the relevant activities of the investee.

Q. 37

The decisions about relevant activities are required to be taken by majority of board of directors. Hence, out of the 4 directors, at least 3 directors need to agree to pass any decision. Accordingly, the directors appointed by any one investor cannot take the decisions independently without the consent of at least one director appointed by other investor. However, the chairman of the board has right for a casting vote in case of a deadlock in the board. Hence, M Ltd. has the ability to take decisions related to relevant activities through 2 votes by directors and 1 casting vote by chairman of the board. Therefore, M Ltd. individually has power over MN Software Ltd. and there is no joint control.

In this case, three investors have informally agreed to make unanimous decisions. These three investors together also have majority voting rights in the entity. Hence, investor A, B and C have joint control over the entity. The agreement between investor A, B and C need not be formally documented as long as there is evidence of its existence in recent meetings of the investors.

Q. 39

The decisions about relevant activities are required to be taken by majority of board of directors. Hence, out of the 5 directors, at least 3 directors need to agree to pass any decision. Accordingly, the directors appointed by AB Ltd. can take the decisions independently without the consent of any of the directors appointed by BC Ltd. Hence, ABC Ltd. is not jointly controlled by both the investors. Equal voting rights held by both the investors is not relevant in this case since the voting rights do not given power over the relevant activities of the investee.

Q. 40

The two parts of the land which are required to be managed by both the parties independently on their own would not fall within the definition of a joint arrangement. However, the third part of the land which is required to be managed by both the parties with unanimous decision making would meet the definition of a joint arrangement.

Q. 41

In this case, the investors should evaluate which of the decisions about relevant activities can most significantly affect the returns of RS Ltd. If the decisions related to construction of highway or operating the highway can affect the returns of the RS Ltd. most significantly then the investor directing those decision has power over RS Ltd. and there is no joint arrangement. However, if the decisions related to funding and capital structure can affect the returns of the RS Ltd. most significantly then RS Ltd. is a joint arrangement between entity R and entity S.

Q. 42

Consent of F Ltd. is required only with respect to the fundamental changes in DEF Ltd. Hence these are protective rights. The decisions about relevant activities are taken by D Ltd. and E Ltd. Hence, F Ltd. is not a party with joint control of the arrangement.

Q. 43

The arrangement is a joint arrangement since the contractual arrangement requires decisions about relevant activities to be taken by unanimous consent of both the parties. The right available with entity A to take decisions for resolution of disputes will not prevent the arrangement from being a joint arrangement.

Q. 44

The arrangement is a joint operation since the arrangement is not structured through a separate vehicle and each party has rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities relating to their own part of work in the joint arrangement.

Q. 45

The arrangement is a joint operation since the arrangement is not structured through a separate vehicle.

The legal form of the separate vehicle is a company. The legal form of the separate vehicle causes the separate vehicle to be considered in its own right. Hence, it indicates that the arrangement is a joint venture. In this case, the parties should further evaluate the terms of contractual arrangements and other relevant facts and circumstance to conclude whether the arrangement is a joint venture or a joint operation.

Q. 47

In this case, the parties to the arrangement should evaluate whether the legal form creates separation between the partners and the partnership firm. If the parties conclude that they have rights in the assets and obligations for the liabilities relating to the partnership firm then this would be a joint operation. If the assessment of legal form of the partnership firm indicates that the firm is a joint operation then there is no need to evaluate any other factors and it is concluded that the partnership firm is a joint operation.

Q. 48

In this case, the terms of the separate agreement may cause the arrangement to be a joint operation.

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Q. 51

The legal form of Entity A and the terms of the contractual arrangement indicate that the arrangement is a joint venture. However, the other relevant facts and circumstances mentioned above indicates that:

- the obligation of the parties to purchase all the output produced by Entity A reflects the exclusive dependence of Entity A upon the parties for the generation of cash flows and, thus, the parties have an obligation to fund the settlement of the liabilities of Entity A.
- the fact that the parties have rights to all the output produced by Entity A means that the parties are consuming, and therefore have rights to, all the economic benefits of the assets of Entity A.

These facts and circumstances indicate that the arrangement is a joint operation. The conclusion about the classification of the joint arrangement in these circumstances would not change if, instead of the parties using their share of the output themselves in a subsequent manufacturing process, the parties sold their share of the output to third parties.

If the parties changed the terms of the contractual arrangement so that the arrangement was able to sell output to third parties, this would result in Entity A assuming demand, inventory and credit risks. In that scenario, such a change in the facts and circumstances would require reassessment of the classification of the joint arrangement. Such facts and circumstances would indicate that the arrangement is a joint venture.

Q. 52

The manufacturing of Product X is not done through a separate vehicle and the assets used to manufacture the product are jointly owned by both the parties. Hence, the manufacturing activity is a joint operation.

The distribution of Product X is done through a separate vehicle i.e. ABCD Ltd. Further, AB Ltd. and CD Ltd. do not have rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to ABCD Ltd. Hence ABCD Ltd. is a joint venture.

Since E Ltd. is holding more than 20% of the voting power of the investee, it indicates that E Ltd. might have significant over the investee. However, the other investors in the investee prevent E Ltd. from participating in the financing and operating policy decisions of the investee. Hence, in this case, E Ltd. is not in a position to have significant influence over the investee.

Q. 54

In this case, though M Ltd. is holding less than 20% of the voting power of the investee, M Ltd.'s consent is required to take decisions about taking borrowings which is one of the relevant activities. Further, since the decisions about taking borrowing are not the decisions that most significantly affect the returns of the investee, it cannot be said that all the investors have joint control over the investee.

Hence, it can be said that M Ltd. has significant influence over the investee.

Q. 55

Since 90% of the output of XY Ltd. is procured by RS Ltd., XY Ltd. would be dependent on RS Ltd. for the continuation of its business. Hence, even though RS Ltd. is holding only 15% of the voting power of XY Ltd. it has significant influence over XY Ltd.

Q. 56

Y Ltd. obtains essential technical information for the running of its business from R Ltd. Hence R Ltd. has significant influence over Y Ltd. despite of holding only 10% of the equity share capital of Y Ltd.

Q. 57

Considering the potential voting rights, the entity can have more than 20% of the voting power of the investee and hence it is presumed that the entity has significant influence over the investee. The fact that the entity does not have financial ability to purchase such additional voting power is not considered in such assessment (It should be noted that under Ind AS 110, potential voting rights which an entity cannot exercise because of its financial ability are not considered as substantive and hence not factored in the assessment. However, under Ind AS 28, there is no such requirement given. Hence the potential voting rights, even if they are not substantive as per Ind AS 110, are included in the assessment of significant influence.)

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Q. 68

In current case, New Co. should measure the cost of investment in Company A at the carrying amount of its share of the equity items shown in the separate financial statements of Company A at the date of the restructuring because:

- a) New Co. obtains control of Company A by issuing equity instruments to the Owners in exchange for their existing equity instruments of Company A;
- b) the assets and liabilities of the group immediately before and the proposed restructuring will be same; and
- c) the Owners will have the same absolute and relative interests in the net assets of the group immediately before and after the proposed restructuring.

Hence, New Co. will measure the cost of investment in Company A at ₹15 lakh.

Q. 69

As per the issue document of convertible preference shares, unanimous consent of both X Limited and Z Limited are required to pass any decision about the relevant activities of Y Limited. Hence, Y Limited is jointly controlled by X Limited and Z Limited and thereby, Y Limited becomes a joint arrangement between X Limited and Z Limited.

Y Limited is structured through a separate vehicle. The legal form of Y Limited, terms of the contractual arrangement or other facts and circumstances do not give X Limited and Z Limited rights to the assets, and obligations for the liabilities, relating to Y Limited. Hence, Y Limited is a joint venture between X Limited and Z Limited.

When the convertible preference shares are issued to Z Limited, X Limited losses control over Y Limited. Hence X Limited should derecognise the assets and liabilities of Y Limited from its consolidated financial statements. 100% equity shares in Y Limited is still held by X Limited. Hence such investment would be accounted at fair value on the date of loss of control by X Limited. The difference between the fair value of 100% equity shares retained in Y Limited and the carrying value of assets and liabilities of Y Limited derecognised is recognised in profit or loss of X Limited. After the loss of control, the investment in Y Limited is accounted as per equity method of accounting by X Limited whereby the investment value in Y Limited will be adjusted for the change in the X Limited's share of the net assets Y Limited post the date of loss of control. Also, the difference between the fair value of investment in Y Limited and fair value of net identifiable assets of Y Limited shall be goodwill or capital reserve.

Q. 70

Solved in class