# Integrated Case Study – 1 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

Moon Group of companies is a retail chain involved in the selling of daily consumer needs directly to the customer. They are in the process of appointing an audit firm for the audit of their accounts for the financial year 2019-20. Moon Group is a South Indian based consumer store having a total of 16 outlets across 4 cities in South India.

Sumant & Co. is appointed as the principal auditor for the entire group. Companies Act 2013 prescribes in detail the terms of this audit engagement. Further, there are many branch auditors appointed for the outlets in the other cities. The company also has an internal audit function conducted on quarterly basis by Ram & Co. Following are the observations during the course of the statutory audit:

- (a) One of the discounts offered by the store is in the form of payback cards where reward points are accumulated and the customer can redeem the same on subsequent purchase. The management and internal auditors are of the opinion that the points redeemed are to be treated as trade discount. The external auditors are doubtful on the matter.
- (b) One of the outlet in Chennai region is in the verge of getting closed and is only left with low value stock to be cleared before closure. During the year, the sales were only around Rs. 1,40,000/- and the auditor considers this component immaterial. All other outlets are performing well with good revenue share.
- (c) The gratuity valuation of the employees of the retail chain is done by an external valuer. The auditor, considering the quantum involved appoints an external auditor's expert for the verification of the actuarial calculation of gratuity.

From the above facts, answer the following questions by choosing the correct answer:

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### Q.1 As per SA 210 – Agreeing the Terms of Audit Engagement, which of the following statement is correct?

- (a) Though law prescribes in sufficient detail the terms of the audit engagement, the auditor still needs to record them in a written agreement and also seek written agreement from management that it acknowledges and understands that it has responsibility for the preparation of financial statements.
- (b) Since law prescribes in sufficient detail the terms of the audit engagement, the auditor need not record them in a written agreement except for the fact that law or regulation applies and also seek written agreement from management that it acknowledges and understands that it has responsibility for the preparation of financial statements.
- (c) The auditor has to take an extract of the law prescribing the details of the terms of the audit engagement and obtain the counter signature of the management in it.

	(d)	Though law prescribes in sufficient detail the terms of the audit engagement, the auditor still needs to
		record them in a written agreement, however it need not seek written agreement from management
		that it acknowledges and understands that it has responsibility for the preparation of financial
		statements.
Q.2	Wit	h respect to the treatment of discount on redemption of points in payback card, what should be
	the	action of the external auditor?
	(a)	The auditor can place reliance and go by the opinion of the branch auditor and internal auditor as
		they have only done a thorough and detailed audit of the accounts
	(b)	The auditor can place reliance on the management's accounting policy as prima facie they are only
		responsible for preparation of financial statements.
	(c)	The external auditor has sole responsibility for the audit opinion expressed and hence he should
		perform procedures to satisfy himself on the correct treatment and issue opinion accordingly.
	(d)	The auditor can advise management on correct treatment but cannot qualify his opinion as branch
		auditor's opinion has higher authority t <mark>han ex</mark> ternal auditor's opinion.
Q.3	Wh	at is the main objective of the external auditor, when he uses the work of the internal audit
	fun	ction of Ram & Co.?
	(a)	To determine as to which areas, what extent the work can be used and whether that work is adequate
		for the purposes of the audit.
	(b)	To appropriately direct, supe <mark>rvise and</mark> review the work of the internal audit function
	(c)	Review the internal audit report and audit the areas not covered by the internal audit function
	(d)	Enquire from management on the special points that arose during internal audit and follow up on the
		course of action on tho <mark>se points.</mark>
Q.4	The	external auditor finds that the branch auditor of the outlet in the Chennai region, which is in
	the	verge of closing down, is audited by an auditor who is not a member of the Institute of
	Cha	rtered accountants of India. What should the external auditor do?
	(a)	Since the professional competence of the auditor is in question, the external auditor should himself
		visit the premise and audit the accounts.
	(b)	Since the financial statement of the component is immaterial, the provisions of SA 600 do not apply.
	(c)	The auditor can rely on the financial statements of that component by obtaining written
		representation from management that the branch auditor is otherwise well qualified.
	(d)	Since the professional competence of the auditor is in question, the external auditor should co-
		ordinate with the branch auditor and call for the books of accounts and other explanations.
Q.5	Wh	ich of these is not a factor affecting the external auditor's evaluation of the objectivity of the
	inte	rnal audit function?
	(a)	Whether the organizational status of the internal audit function supports the ability of the function to
		be free from bias, conflict of interest or undue influence of others to override professional judgment.
	(b)	Whether the internal audit function is free of any conflicting responsibilities.

- (c) Whether the internal auditors have adequate technical training and proficiency in auditing.
- (d) Whether those charged with governance oversee employment decisions related to internal audit function.

		Answer – Integrated Case Study 1	
Q. No.	Answer	Reason	
Q.1	(b)	As per SA 210, if law or regulation prescribes in sufficient detail the terms of the audit	
		engagement, the auditor need not record them in a written agreement, except for the fact that	
		such law or regulation applies and that management acknowledges and understands its	
		responsibilities.	
Q.2	(c)	As per SA 600 and SA 610, Statutory auditor may use the work performed by Another	
		Auditor and Internal Auditor respectively, however, ultimate responsibility for opinion	
		expressed is of Statutory auditor. Hence, he should perform procedures to satisfy himself on	
		the correct treatment and issue opinion accordingly.	
Q.3	(a)	As per SA 610, the objectives of the external auditor, if using the work of the internal audit	
		function, is to determine whether that work is adequate for purposes of the audit.	
Q.4	(b)	As per SA 600, when the principal auditor concludes that the financial information of a	
		component is immate <mark>rial, the procedures out</mark> lined in SA 600 do not apply. When several	
		components, immaterial in themselves, are together material in relation to the financial	
		information of the entity as a whole, the procedures outlined in SA 600 should be considered.	
Q.5	(c)	As per SA 610, in evaluation of the objectivity of the internal audit function, external auditor	
		considers organisational status of internal audit function, conflicting responsibilities,	
		oversight functions of TCWG w.r.t. employment decisions related to the internal audit	
		function.	

# Integrated Case Study – 2 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

M/s JK & Associates have been appointed as auditors of Venus Ltd. for the financial year 2019-20. The team consist of Mr. J & Mr. K both Chartered Accountants as also the engagement partners and the audit staff consisting of 2 article assistants. While starting the audit work of Venus Ltd, the engagement partners briefed the audit staff about the audit work, areas to be covered and the various auditing concepts and their application in the audit of Venus Ltd along with applicable Standard on Auditing.

Various topics like audit planning, overall audit strategy, audit programme were discussed in detail. The team was told about the purpose and implication of various statements and guidance notes issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) from time to time. Mr. K also briefed the team about the concept of materiality to be applied while planning and performing audit. The team was also explained in detail about the area where benchmark materiality can be applied in case of Venus Ltd.

Based on the above facts, answer the following:

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- Q.1 \_\_\_\_\_ sets the scope, timing & direction of the audit and guides the development of the more detailed plan.
  - (a) Audit Programme
  - (b) Overall Audit Strategy
  - (c) Completion Memorandum
  - (d) Audit Plan
- Q.2 Statement 1: The establishment of the overall audit strategy and the detailed audit plan are not necessarily discrete or sequential process but are closely inter-related.

Statement 2: The auditor shall establish an overall audit strategy that guides the development of audit plan.

- (a) Only Statement 1 is correct
- (b) Only Statement 2 is correct
- (c) Both Statements 1 & 2 are correct
- (d) Both Statements 1 & 2 are incorrect

means the amount set by the auditor at less than materiality for the financial statements as a whole to reduce to an appropriately low level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatement exceeds materiality for the financial statements as a whole:

- (a) Benchmark Materiality
- (b) Materiality in Planning
- (c) Performance Materiality
- (d) Materiality.

Q.3

Q.4	Which of the following is not an example of benchmark that can be used in determining the			
	mat	materiality in the case of financial statements:		
	(a)	Total Revenue		
	(b)	Profit before tax		
	(c)	Net Asset Value		
	(d)	None of the above		
Q.5	(i)	Guidance notes issued by ICAI provide guidance to members on matters which may arise in the		
		course of their professional work.		
	(ii)	Statements are issued by ICAI with a view to secure compliance by members on some matters.		
	(iii)	Guidance notes are recommendatory in nature.		
	(iv)	Statements are mandatory in nature.		
	(a)	All the above statements are correct		
	(b)	Statements 1 & 2 are correct		
	(c)	Statements 1, 2 & 3 are correct		
	(d)	Statements 1,2 & 4 are correct		

		Answer – Integrated Case Study 2
Q. No.	Answer	Reason
Q.1	(b)	As per SA 300, the auditor shall establish an overall audit strategy that sets the scope, timing
		and direction of th <mark>e audit, an</mark> d that guides the development of the audit plan
Q.2	(c)	As per SA 300, the establishment of the overall audit strategy and the detailed audit plan are
		not necessaril <mark>y discrete</mark> or sequential processes, but are closely inter-related since changes in
		one may res <mark>ult in cons</mark> equential changes to the other.
Q.3	(c)	As per SA 320, performance materiality means the amount or amounts set by the auditor at
		less than materiality for the financial statements as a whole to reduce to an appropriately low
		level the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements
		exceeds materiality for the financial statements as a whole.
Q.4	(d)	CACLACCEC
Q.5	(a)	CACLASSES

# Integrated Case Study – 3 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

Anvisha Ltd. is a company engaged in the business of software development. It is one of the largest companies in this sector with a turnover of ₹25,000 crores. The operations of the company are increasing constantly, however, the focus of the management is more on cost cutting in the coming years to improve its profitability. Shares of Anvisha Ltd. are listed on Bombay Stock Exchange.

Company in its AGM held on 26.08.2018, appointed M/s ABC and Associates, Chartered Accountants, as their auditors for five years.

In respect of the financial statements of the company for the year 2018-19, which are used by various stakeholders, some fraud was observed in respect of assets reported therein due to which those stakeholders suffered damages. As a result, those stakeholders applied to Tribunal for change of auditor on the basis that auditor is colluded in the fraud.

In the meanwhile, ABC and Associates, resigned from the company without assigning any reason. As per the requirements of Sec. 140(2) of Companies Act, 2013, the auditor who has resigned from the company shall file within a period of 30 days from the date of resignation, a statement in the Form ADT-3 with the company and the Registrar. However, no such statement is filed by ABC and Associates.

Based on the above facts, answer the following:

- Q.1 In case of an listed entity, for the purpose of appointment of a person as auditor of the company, qualifications and experience of the individual or the firm proposed to be considered for appointment as auditor and whether such qualifications and experience are commensurate with the size and requirements of the company, is to be considered by:
  - (a) Audit Committee
  - (b) Board of Directors
  - (c) Audit Committee and SEBI
  - (d) Board of Directors and SEBI
- Q.2 After appointment of the auditor in AGM, Anvisha Ltd. shall inform ABC and Associates of their appointment, and also file a notice in Form \_\_\_\_\_\_ of such appointment with \_\_\_\_\_ within \_\_\_\_ of the meeting in which the auditor is appointed.

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- (a) Form ADT 1, SEBI, 15 Days
- (b) Form ADT 1, Registrar, 15 days.
- (c) Form ADT 2, SEBI, 30 days
- (d) Form ADT 2, Registrar, 30 days.

Q.3	Which of the following stands true in respect of application made by shareholders to Tribunal for
	change of auditor on the basis that auditor is colluded in the fraud?

- (a) Application will be rejected by Tribunal as application for change of auditor can be made only by Central Government.
- (b) Application will be rejected by Tribunal as Only Tribunal may *suo motu* take action for change of auditor.
- (c) If Tribunal is satisfied that the auditor of a company has, whether directly or indirectly, acted in a fraudulent manner or abetted or colluded in any fraud by, or in relation to, the company or its directors or officers, it may, by order, direct the company to change its auditors.
- (d) Approval of Central Government is required before making application to Tribunal for change of auditors.

Q.4	An auditor, whether individual or firm, against whom final order has been passed by the Tribunal
	u/s 140(5) of Companies Act, 2013 shall not be eligible to be appointed as an auditor of any company
	for a period of from the date of passing of the order and the auditor shall also be
	liable for action under Section

(a) 5 years; Sec. 147

(b) 10 Years; Sec. 147

(c) 5 Years; Sec. 447

(d) 10 years; Sec. 447

## Q.5 If the auditor does not comply with the provisions of Sec. 140(2) of Companies Act, 2013, he or it shall be liable to a penalty of:

- (a) ₹50,000 or an amount equal to the remuneration of the auditor, whichever is less, and in case of continuing failure, with further penalty of ₹100 for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a maximum of ₹1 lakh.
- (b) ₹50,000 or an amount equal to the remuneration of the auditor, whichever is higher, and in case of continuing failure, with further penalty of ₹100 for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a maximum of ₹1 lakh.
- (c) ₹50,000 or an amount equal to the remuneration of the auditor, whichever is less, and in case of continuing failure, with further penalty of ₹100 for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a maximum of ₹5 lakh.
- (d) ₹50,000 or an amount equal to the remuneration of the auditor, whichever is less, and in case of continuing failure, with further penalty of ₹500 for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a maximum of ₹5 lakh.

	Answer – Integrated Case Study 2		
Q. No.	Answer	Reason	
Q.1	(a)	As per Rule 3 of Companies (Audit and Auditor's) Rules, 2014, in case of a company that is	
		required to constitute an Audit Committee u/s 177, the audit committee, shall take into	
		consideration the qualifications and experience of the individual or the firm proposed to be	
		considered for appointment as auditor and whether such qualifications and experience are	
		commensurate with the size and requirements of the company.	
Q.2	(b)	As per Proviso to Sec. 139(1) of the Companies Act, 2013, the company shall inform the	
		auditor concerned of his or its appointment, and also file a notice (Form ADT-1) of such	
		appointment with the Registrar within 15 days of the meeting in which the auditor is	
		appointed.	
Q.3	(c)	As per Sec. 140(5) of Companies Act, 2013, the Tribunal either suo moto or on an application	
		made to it by the Central Government or by any person concerned, if it is satisfied that the	
		auditor of a company has, whether directly or indirectly, acted in a fraudulent manner or	
		abetted or colluded in any fra <mark>ud by, or i</mark> n relation to, the company or its directors or officers,	
		it may, by order, direct the c <mark>ompany to ch</mark> ange its auditors.	
Q.4	(c)	As per Sec. 140(5) of Companies Act, 2013, an auditor, against whom final order has been	
		passed by the Tribunal <mark>under this section sha</mark> ll not be eligible to be appointed as an auditor of	
		any company for a period of 5 years from the date of passing of the order and the auditor	
		shall also be liable f <mark>or action u</mark> /s 447.	
Q.5	(d)	As per Sec. 140(3) of Companies Act, 2013, if the auditor does not comply with the provisions	
		of Sec. 140(2), he or it shall be liable to a penalty of ₹50,000 or an amount equal to the	
		remuneration of the auditor, whichever is less, and in case of continuing failure, with further	
		penalty of ₹500 for each day after the first during which such failure continues, subject to a	
		maximum of ₹5 lakh.	

## Integrated Case Study – 4 CA Intermediate - Auditing & Assurance

M/s NSG & Associates have been appointed as auditors of Viaan Ltd. for the financial year 2019-20. The processes, operations, accounting and decisions are carried out by using computers in Viaan Ltd. The auditors understand that there are several aspects that they should consider to determine the level of automation and complexity in the business environment of Viaan Ltd. While planning the audit work, the engagement partners discussed with the audit staff about the various types of controls in the automated environment.

The different types of audit tests that can be used in audit of an automated business environment were also discussed within the engagement team. The responsibility regarding the Internal Financial Controls was also discussed in detail. Further the tools and techniques that can be used to deal with the enormous data and information of Viaan Ltd. were briefed to the audit staff by the engagement partners.

From the above facts, answer the following questions by choosing the correct answer:

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- Q.1 \_\_\_\_\_ are the manual controls that make use of some form of data or information or report produced from the IT systems and applications.
  - (a) Application Controls
  - (b) IT dependent Controls
  - (c) Automated Controls
  - (d) General IT Controls
- Q.2 Statement 1: Application controls include both manual and automated controls that operate at a business process level.

Statement 2: General IT Controls apply to mainframe, miniframe as well as end user environment.

- (a) Only Statement 1 is correct
- (b) Only Statement 2 is correct
- (c) Both Statements 1 & 2 are correct
- (d) Both Statements 1 & 2 are incorrect
- Q.3 \_\_\_\_\_ are also known as pervasive or indirect controls:
  - (a) General IT Controls
  - (b) Application Controls
  - (c) IT dependent Controls
  - (d) None of the above

Q.4	Which of the following are not the types of audit tests that can be used in the audit in an automated		
	environment?		
	(a) Observation		
	(b) Inspection		
	(c) Re performance		
	(d) None of the above		
Q.5	is the combination of processes, tools and techniques that are used to tap vas		
	amounts of electronic data to obtain meaningful information:		
	(a) Computer Assisted Audit Techniques		
	(b) Automated Controls		
	(c) Data Analytics		
	(d) None of the above		

	Answer – Integrated Case Study 4		
Q. No.	Answer	Reason	
Q.1	(b)		
Q.2	(c)		
Q.3	(a)		
Q.4	(d)		
Q.5	(c)		

# Integrated Case Study – 5 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

You are an audit manager at RMT & Co. and you are considering a number of ethical issues which have arisen on some of the firm's long-standing audit clients.

#### ABC Ltd.

RMT & Co is planning its external audit of ABC Ltd. Yesterday, the audit engagement partner, Ramesh, discovered that a significant fee for information security services, which were provided to ABC Ltd. by RMT & Co., is overdue. Mr. Ramesh hopes to be able to resolve the dispute amicably and has confirmed that he will discuss the matter with the finance director, Mr. Keshav, at the weekend, as they are both attending a party to celebrate the engagement of Ramesh's daughter and Keshav's son.

#### XYZ (P) Ltd.

RMT & Co is the external auditor of XYZ (P) Ltd. and also provides other non-audit services to the company. While performing the audit for the current year, the audit engagement partner was taken ill and took an indefinite leave of absence from the firm. The ethics partner has identified the following potential replacements and is keen that independence is maintained to the highest level:

- Mr. Pankaj Garg who is also the partner in charge of the tax services provided to XYZ (P) Ltd.
- Mr. Mohit Taneja who was the audit engagement partner for the preceding five years.
- Mr. Chetanya Garg who introduced XYZ (P) Ltd. as a client when he joined the firm as an audit partner five years ago.
- Mr. Nikunj Garg who is also the partner in charge of the payroll services provided to XYZ (P) Ltd. MN Ltd.

MN Ltd. is a large public company, and has been an audit client of RMT & Co. for several years. Aadish Jain, a partner of RMT & Co, has acted as the engagement quality control reviewer (EQCR) on the last two audits. At a recent meeting, he advised that he can no longer be EQCR on the engagement as he is considering accepting appointment as a non-executive director and will sit on the audit committee of MN Ltd.

The board of directors has also asked RMT & Co. if they would be able to provide internal audit services to the company.

#### PQR Ltd.

PQR Ltd., a listed company, is one of RMT & Co's largest clients. Last year the fee for audit and other services was ₹1.2 Cr. and this year it is expected to be ₹1.5 Cr. which represents 18% and 19.6% of RMT & Co's total income respectively.

- Q.1 Which of the following statements correctly explains the possible threats to RMT & Co.'s independence and recommends an appropriate safeguard in relation to their audit of ABC Ltd.?
  - (1) An intimidation threat exists due to the overdue fee and ABC Ltd. should be advised that all fees must be paid prior to the auditor's report being signed.

- (2) A self-review threat exists due to the nature of the non-audit work which has been performed and an engagement quality control review should be carried out.
- (3) A self-interest threat exists due to the relationship between Ramesh and Keshav and Ramesh should be removed as audit partner.
- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 3 only
- Q.2 Taking into account the concern of the ethics partner, which of the partners identified as potential replacements should take over the audit of XYZ (P) Ltd. for the current year?
  - (a) Mr. Pankaj Garg
  - (b) Mr. Mohit Taneja
  - (c) Mr. Chetanya Garg
  - (d) Mr. Nikunj Garg
- Q.3 Which of the following correctly identifies the threats to RMT & Co's independence and proposes an appropriate course of action for the firm if Aadish Jain accepts appointment as a non-executive director of MN Ltd.?

	Threats	Course of action
(a)	Self-interest and familiarity	Can continue with appropriate safeguards
(b)	Self-interest and self-review	Must resign as auditor
(c)	Self-review and familiarity	Must resign as auditor
(d)	Familiarity only	Can continue with appropriate safeguards

Q.4 You are separately considering MN Ltd.'s request to provide internal audit services and the remit of these services if they are accepted.

Which of the following would result in RMT & Co assuming a management responsibility in relation to the internal audit services?

- (1) Taking responsibility for designing and maintaining internal control systems.
- (2) Determining which recommendations should take priority and be implemented.
- (3) Determining the reliance which can be placed on the work of internal audit for the external audit.
- (4) Setting the scope of the internal audit work to be carried out.
- (a) 1 and 3
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 2 and 4
- (d) 3 and 4 only

- Q.5 Which of the following actions should RMT & Co. take to maintain their objectivity in relation to the level of fee income from PQR Ltd.?
  - (1) The level of fee income should be communicated to those charged with governance
  - (2) Separate teams should be used for the audit and non-audit work
  - (3) Request payment of the current year's audit fee in advance of any work being performed
  - (4) Request a pre-issuance review be conducted by an external accountant
  - (a) 1 and 4 only
  - (b) 3 and 4 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

		Answer – Integrated Case Study 5	
Q. No.	Answer	Reason	
Q.1	(d)	In line with Code of Ethics, a self-interest threat would arise due to the personal relationship	
		between the audit engagement partner and finance director. A self-interest threat, not	
		intimidation threat, would arise as a result of the overdue fee and due to the nature of the	
		non-audit work, it is unli <mark>kely that a self-revi</mark> ew threat would arise.	
Q.2	(c)	In order to maintain independence, Chetanya Garg would be the most appropriate	
		replacement as audit <mark>engageme</mark> nt partner as he has no ongoing relationship with XYZ (P) Ltd.	
		Appointing any of the other potential replacements would give rise to self-review or	
		familiarity threats to independence.	
Q.3	(b)	If Aadish Jain accepts the position as a non-executive director for MN Ltd., self-interest and	
		self-review threats are created which are so significant that no safeguards can be	
		implemented. Further as per Code of Ethics, no partner of the firm should serve as a director	
		of an aud <mark>it client and</mark> as such, RMT & Co would need to resign as auditor.	
Q.4	(c)	Assuming a management responsibility is when the auditor is involved in leading or directing	
		the company or making decisions which are the remit of management. Designing and	
		maintaining internal controls, determining which recommendations to implement and	
		setting the scope of work are all decisions which should be taken by management.	
Q.5	(a)	PQR Ltd. is a listed company and the fees received by RMT & Co from the company is	
		substantially high. As per Code of Ethics, this should be disclosed to TCWG and an	
		appropriate safeguard should be implemented. In this case, it would be appropriate to have a	
		pre-issuance review carried out prior to issuing the audit opinion for the current year.	

# Integrated Case Study – 6 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

ABC Ltd., is one of the leading companies in the pharmaceuticals manufacturing industry. 75% Equity shares of ABC Ltd. was acquired by XYZ Ltd. five years ago and is being retained by XYZ Ltd. till date. Total shareholding of XYZ Ltd includes the following:

- The Government of Punjab and Government of Haryana each hold 18% of the paid -up share capital,
- The Government of Rajasthan's share is 15.5%.

On 29th Oct. 2019, Mr. Shyam, the auditor of ABC Ltd. had resigned from his post, citing medical reasons. However, he had forgotten to inform about his resignation to the concerned authorities. Casual vacancy so created was filled up with the appointment of RMT & Co. Chartered Accountants as statutory auditors of ABC Ltd.

As far as RMT & Co. Chartered accountants are concerned, Mr. R, who is one of the partners of the firm had borrowed a sum of ₹3.00 lakhs from XYZ Ltd. He had also purchased goods worth ₹1.89 lakhs from the company. Both the sum borrowed and the cost of the goods bought are not yet paid by Mr. R. Mr. R does not sign the financials of ABC Ltd.

During the course of audit for the financial year 2019-20, the following observations with respect to the company were made by the auditors:

- 1. The company was not maintaining proper records with respect to the fixed assets maintained by it. The value of fixed assets of the company amounts to ₹1.50 crores approximately.
- 2. Physical verification for the same was not carried out at regular intervals. The last physical verification was conducted on 31st July 2018.

As a result of the above observations, the auditors decided to report the same in the Companies (Auditors Report) Order 2016. However, the management of the company was against the decision of the auditors and insisted that the observations need not be reported. After several discussions between the auditors and the management, RMT & Co. decided not to report the issues.

### Q.1 To whom should have Mr. Shyam informed about his resignation? What could be the possible consequence for his non-compliance?

- (a) He should have informed the registrar and ABC Ltd. As a consequence of his failure, he is liable to a penalty not exceeding ₹5 lakhs.
- (b) He should have informed the registrar alone. As a consequence of his failure, he is liable to a penalty not less than ₹50,000/-.
- (c) He should have informed the registrar and RMT & Co. As a consequence of his failure, he is liable to a fine of ₹500 per day for each day of failure.
- (d) He should have informed the registrar & comptroller and auditor general. As a consequence of his failure, he is liable to a fine of ₹45,000/-.

Q.2	With respect to the acts carried out by Mr. R, the partner of the audit firm, what can you infer about	
	the appointment of RMT & Co. as auditors of ABC Ltd.?	
	(a) It is valid since the indebtedness is within prescribed limits.	
	(b) It is not valid since the indebtedness exceeds prescribed limit of ₹1 lakhs.	
	(c) It is valid since Mr. R is not signing the financials of ABC Ltd.	
	(d) It is valid since the indebtedness is not with ABC Ltd.	
Q.3	Is the decision of RMT & Co. of not reporting the issues of ABC Ltd. in CARO 2016 justified? If so,	
	under what reason?	
	(a) No. CARO 2016 is applicable to ABC Ltd. and hence the same has to be reported under clause (i) of	
	CARO.	
	(b) Yes. CARO 2016 is not applicable to ABC Ltd. and hence the same need not to be reported.	
	(c) No. As per SA 240, the auditor has to maintain professional skepticism when it comes to issues in the	
	area of fixed assets and hence the same <mark>has to</mark> be reported.	
	(d) Yes. As per SA 320, the auditor after taking into account the materiality of the issue, he may either	
	choose to report or not report abou <mark>t the same.</mark>	
Q.4	Based on the shareholding pattern of ABC Ltd and XYZ Ltd., please select the correct answer as to	
	classification of these companies.	
	(a) Both ABC Ltd. and XYZ Ltd. will be classified as government companies.	
	(b) ABC Ltd. will be classified as government company, whereas XYZ Ltd. will be classified as non-	
	government company.	
	(c) ABC Ltd. will be classified as non-government company, whereas XYZ Ltd. will be classified as	
	government compan <mark>y</mark> .	
	(d) Both ABC Ltd. and XYZ Ltd. will be classified as classified as non-government companies.	
Q.5	Casual Vacancy created in the office of auditor in the case of a company whose accounts are subject	
	to audit by an auditor appointed by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India, be filled by the	
	Comptroller and Auditor-General of India within days:	
	Provided that in case the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India does not fill the vacancy within	
	Provided that in case the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India does not fill the vacancy within the said period, the Board of Directors shall fill the vacancy within next days.	
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	the said period, the Board of Directors shall fill the vacancy within next days.	
	the said period, the Board of Directors shall fill the vacancy within next days.  (a) 30 days; 60 days	

	Answer – Integrated Case Study 6					
Q. No.	Answer	Reason				
Q.1	(d)	As per Sec. 140(2) of Companies Act, 2013, statement of resignation is required to be filed				
		with Registrar, company and CAG (in case of Govt. company). As per Sec. 140(3) of				
		Companies Act, 2013, minimum penalty for non-compliance of Sec. 140(2) is lower of audit				
		fees and ₹50,000.				
Q.2	(a)	As per Sec. 141(3)(d) of Companies Act, 2013, a firm is disqualified to be appointed as				
		auditor if any of the partner is indebted to the company, or its subsidiary, or its holding or				
		associate company or a subsidiary of such holding company, in excess of ₹5 Lacs.				
Q.3	(a)	Reporting under CARO, 2016 is required in case of a public company.				
Q.4	(a)	As per Sec. 2(45) of Companies Act, 2013, "Govt. company" means any company in which not				
		less than 51% of the paid-up share capital is held by the C.G., or by any S.G.(s), or partly by				
		the C.G. and partly by one or more S.G. (s), and includes a company which is a subsidiary				
		company of such a Government <mark>com</mark> pany.				
Q.5	(d)	Refer Sec. 139(8)				



## Integrated Case Study – 7 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

CGN Ltd is a large company engaged in the business of oil exploration in India. The Tamil Nadu Government and the Central Government hold 37% and 20% respectively of the paid-up share capital of CGN Ltd.

During the year 2017-18, CGN Ltd. acquires 50.4% shares of NPR Ltd., a company engaged in construction activities and having an annual turnover of ₹1200 Crores for financial year 2018-19.

The C&AG appointed the statutory auditors of CGN Ltd. and NPR Ltd. as per requirements of the Companies Act 2013. The company had a concern regarding this appointment because both companies wanted to appoint other auditors as per their assessment, however, considering the legal hassles which would have got involved, both companies decided to go ahead with the appointments made by C&AG.

The audit of the financial statement for the year ended 31 March 2019 got completed by the auditors appointed by the C&AG. Subsequent to this, the C&AG also issued an order for supplementary audit of financial statements of the CGN Ltd. which was objected by the management of CGN Ltd.

The management objected saying that the complete set of financial statements have been audited by auditors appointed by the C&AG and hence this order is not acceptable because this would lead to duplication of work.

Moreover, the management of CGN Ltd. has also written to the C&AG that for the next financial year, the existing auditors should either resign so that the management may bring in their own auditors or the C&AG should have faith in the work of the auditors appointed by them.

C&AG refuses to accept the request of CGN Ltd. and appoint auditor for the financial year ended 31st March 2020 on 20.08.2019.

The audit of the financial statements of NPR Ltd. for the financial year ended 31 March 2019 got completed but NPR Ltd. observed that during the course of audit, there was lot of intervention of C&AG, wherein C&AG was giving directions to the auditors on the manner in which audit should be conducted in respect of certain areas. Further, it also received comments from C&AG on the audit report of the auditors. NPR Ltd. is seeking legal opinion to go against C&AG so that they can avoid unnecessary interference of C&AG and is also looking to have new auditors appointed by NPR Ltd. with whom they will have an engagement letter with the terms that those auditors don't accept any interference of C&AG which the existing auditors have not been able to avoid.

Considering the above mentioned facts, please provide your suggestions in respect of the following:

- Q.1 Which of the following option is correct as to appointment of auditors in CGN Ltd. and NPR Ltd. by C&AG?
  - (a) Appointment of auditor in CGN Ltd. by C&AG is valid; Appointment of auditor in NPR Ltd. by C&AG is not valid.
  - (b) Appointment of auditor in CGN Ltd. by C&AG is not valid; Appointment of auditor in NPR Ltd. by C&AG is valid.

- (c) Appointment of auditors in CGN Ltd. as well as NPR Ltd. by C&AG are valid.
- (d) Appointment of auditors in CGN Ltd. as well as NPR Ltd. by C&AG are not valid.

### Q.2 Please suggest how to resolve the matter as to objection of management of CGN Ltd. over the order of C&AG as to Supplementary audit.

- (a) The management's stand is not correct. The C&AG may order supplementary audit as per the requirements of the Companies Act 2013.
- (b) The management's stand is not correct. The C&AG may order supplementary audit as per the requirements of the Indian Penal Code.
- (c) The management is correct and in this situation they get the right to appoint another auditor considering the fact that the C&AG has lost faith in the work of auditors appointed by them.
- (d) Such type of matters should be taken to arbitration as per the requirements of the Arbitration Act.

### Q.3 Which of the following is correct as to order of supplementary audit by C&AG?

- (a) The CAG shall within 60 days from the date of audit report have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the books of accounts of the company by such person or persons as he may authorise in this behalf.
- (b) The CAG shall within 90 days from the date of receipt of the audit report have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the books of accounts of the company by such person or persons as he may authorise in this behalf.
- (c) The CAG shall within 60 days from the date of receipt of the audit report have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the financial statement of the company by such person or persons as he may authorise in this behalf.
- (d) The CAG shall within 90 days from the date of audit report have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the financial statement of the company by company auditor.
- Q.4 In the case of a Government company, the CAG shall appoint the auditor and direct such auditor the manner in which the accounts of the Government company are required to be audited. The auditor so appointed shall submit a copy of the audit report to the CAG which, among other things, include the following:
  - (i) directions, if any, issued by the C&AG
  - (ii) action taken on directions issued by C& AG
  - (iii) impact of directions on the accounts of the company.
  - (iv) impact of directions on the financial statements of the company.
  - (v) impact of directions on the audit of the company.
  - (a) (i), (ii) and (v)
  - (b) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
  - (c) (i), (ii), (iii) and (v)
  - (d) (i), (ii), (iv) and (v)

- Q.5 In the context of directions being issued by C&AG to auditor of NPR Ltd. and stand of NPR Ltd. to seek legal opinion to go against C&AG so as to avoid unnecessary interference of C&AG, please advise which of the following should be correct?
  - (a) The stand of the existing auditors should have been better i.e. not to accept any interference of C&AG.
  - (b) Management could have planned the audit work better by including the same terms in engagement letter with existing auditors instead of appointing another auditor.
  - (c) C&AG involvement could have been accepted if this was the audit of CGN Ltd. but not in case of NPR Ltd. and hence NPR Ltd. should also reach out to its parent company to get this resolved.
  - (d) Stand of NPR Ltd. is wrong as the C&AG may get involved in the audit of NPR Ltd.

	Answer – Integrated Case Study 7					
Q. No.	Answer	Reason				
Q.1	(c)	As per Sec. 139(5) of Companies Act, 2013, in the case of a Government company, the C&AG				
		shall, in respect of a financial year, appoint an auditor duly qualified to be appointed as an				
		auditor of companies under this Act, within a period of 180 days from the commencement of				
		the financial year, who shall h <mark>old office</mark> till the conclusion of the AGM.				
		As per Sec. 2(45) of Compan <mark>ies Act, 2013,</mark> "Govt. company" means any company in which not				
		less than 51% of the paid-up share capital is held by the C.G., or by any S.G.(s), or partly by				
		the C.G. and partly by one or more S.G. (s), and includes a company which is a subsidiary				
		company of such a Gov <mark>ernment</mark> comp <mark>any.</mark>				
Q.2	(a)	As per Sec. 143(6) of Companies Act, 2013, the CAG shall within 60 days from the date of				
		receipt of the audit report have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the financial				
		statement of the <mark>company</mark> by such person or persons as he may authorise in this behalf.				
Q.3	(c)	As per Sec. 143(6) of Companies Act, 2013, the CAG shall within 60 days from the date of				
		receipt of th <mark>e audit re</mark> port have a right to, conduct a supplementary audit of the financial				
		statement of the company by such person or persons as he may authorise in this behalf.				
Q.4	(b)	As per Sec. 143(5) of Companies Act, 2013, In the case of a Government company, the CAG				
		shall appoint the auditor and direct such auditor the manner in which the accounts of the				
		Gover <mark>nment co</mark> mpany are required to be audited. The auditor so appointed shall submit a				
		copy of the audit report to the CAG which, among other things, include the following:				
		1. directions, if any, issued by the CAG,				
		2. the action taken thereon and				
		3. its impact on the accounts and financial statement of the company.				
Q.5	(d)	As per Sec. 143(5) of Companies Act, 2013, In the case of a Government company, the CAG				
		shall appoint the auditor and direct such auditor the manner in which the accounts of the				
		Government company are required to be audited.				

# Integrated Case Study – 8 CA Inter/IPCC - Auditing & Assurance

ALT company manufactures and sells toys to the wholesale market. It has prepared its financial statements for the financial year 2018-19. You are an audit assistant with RMT & Co., a firm of Chartered Accountant in New Delhi and you have been assigned the current liabilities balances in the audit work plan.

You have calculated the payables payment period to be 66 days for the year ending 31.03.2019 (45 days for the preceding financial year) and have asked the directors of ALT Company to provide an explanation as to the increase in days.

ALT Company receives monthly statements from its main suppliers and performs regular supplier statement reconciliations.

There were inconsistencies noted in respect of the following at 31.03.2019:

Supplier	Balance per purchase ledger (₹)	Balance per supplier statement (₹)
Digital Toys	145,321	221,130
Analog Toys	(89,973)	99,600
Hybrid Toys	94,658	1,09,650

#### **Digital Toys**

ALT Co has a credit agreement with Digital Toys under which it receives goods 14 days before the supplier raises the invoice. ALT Co. received goods worth ₹75,809 on 18 March 2019 for which the invoice was received shortly after the year end in accordance with the agreement. ALT Co entered the transaction into its accounting records at the date of invoice.

#### **Analog Toys**

The difference on this balance has still to be investigated.

#### **Hybrid Toys**

ALT Co's finance director has informed you that there was an error in closing the purchase ledger and it was closed three days early. Invoices received 29, 30 and 31 March 2019 were posted to the 2019-20 ledger. The directors of ALT Co have confirmed that following the discovery of this error, a manual adjustment was made using the journal book.

- Q.1 Which of the following supplier balances would indicate a high risk in relation to the COMPLETENESS of the liability recorded at the year end?
  - (a) A supplier with a high balance at the year end and with a low volume of transactions during the year.
  - (b) A supplier with a low balance at the year end and with a high volume of transactions during the year.
  - (c) A supplier with a low balance at the year end and with a low volume of transactions during the year.
  - (d) A supplier with a high balance at the year end and with a high volume of transactions during the year.

### Q.2 Which of the following would correctly explain why the payables payment period has increased from 45 days in 2018-19 to 66 days in 2019-20?

- (e) ALT Co. received a prompt payment discount from one of its suppliers for the first time in 2018-19.
- (f) ALT Co. obtained a trade discount from one of its biggest suppliers which has reduced the amount owed to that supplier by 10% in the year.
- (g) ALT Co. purchased an unusually high level of goods in March 2019 to satisfy a large order and had not paid for those goods by the year end.
- (h) ALT Co. took advantage of extended credit terms offered by a new supplier in respect of a large order which it had fully settled by the year end.

### Q.3 Which of the following is an appropriate action in respect of the inconsistency in the balance with Digital Toys?

- (e) The auditor should take no further action as this is a timing difference which was resolved upon receipt and posting of the invoice.
- (f) The auditor should request that the purchase ledger balance is amended at the reporting date to reflect the recent invoice.
- (g) The auditor should contact the supplier and request a supplier statement as at the current date.
- (h) The auditor should request that an accrual is created in respect of the goods received but not yet invoiced.

### Q.4 Which of the following would be a valid explanation for the difference in respect of Analog Toys?

- (1) An invoice for ₹189,573 has been paid twice.
- (2) An invoice for ₹189,573 has been posted as a debit note.
- (3) An invoice for ₹189,573 has been received and processed prior to receipt of the goods.
- (e) 1 only
- (f) 1 and 2 only
- (g) 2 and 3 only
- (h) 1, 2 and 3

### Q.5 Which of the following would NOT provide sufficient and appropriate audit evidence over the COMPLETENESS of the purchase ledger balance in respect of Hybrid Toys?

- (e) Obtain the journal book and confirm that all invoices recorded as received from Hybrid Toys dated 29– 31 March have been manually adjusted for.
- (f) Review the accruals listing to ensure goods received from Hybrid Toys post year end for which an invoice has not been received have been recorded in the correct period.
- (g) For post year-end cash book payments to Hybrid Toys, confirm date of matching invoice and if pre year end agree to liability.
- (h) Review a sample of invoices received from Hybrid Toys recorded post year end and match to GRN to determine if they should have been recorded at the year end.

Answer – Integrated Case Study 8					
Q. No.	Answer	Reason			
Q.1	(b)	A supplier with a low balance at the year-end but with a high volume of transactions during			
		the year may indicate that not all liabilities have been recorded at the year-end date.			
Q.2	(c)	(c) A purchase of a large volume of goods close to the year-end would increase the pay			
		payment period.			
		The prompt payment and trade discounts would both decrease the payables payment period,			
		and the extended credit terms in this instance would have no impact as there is no closing			
		balance with the new supplier.			
Q.3	(d)	The difference of ₹75,809 with Digital Toys relates to goods which were received by ALT Co.			
		prior to the year-end but were not recorded in the accounting records until after the year-			
		end date. As ALT Co. had a liability to pay for the goods at the date of receipt, an accrual			
		should be created for the goods received not yet invoiced.			
Q.4	(a)	The difference in respect of Analog Toys may have arisen if the invoice had been paid twice in			
		error as an additional ₹189,573 will have been debited to the supplier account.			
Q.5	(b)	Reviewing the accruals listing would not help the auditor confirm the purchase ledger			
		balance with Bath Co as accr <mark>uals are reco</mark> rded separately from the purchase ledger balance.			

## **CACLASSES**