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Kunal is the Joint Managing Partner at Fox & Mandal and a senior dispute resolution practitioner with strong expertise in litigation and arbitration. His multifaceted practice spans civil, criminal, corporate, commercial, and infrastructure disputes, where he regularly leads high-value and precedent-setting matters before the Supreme Court of India, High Courts, and various Tribunals. He brings a global perspective to his practice and also holds the distinction of being the former Court Member – ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris. His cross-border exposure and strategic acumen make him a key figure in shaping the firm's dispute resolution practice both in India and internationally. He has been recognised as a 'Recommended lawyer' by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024, 'Recognised practitioner' by Chambers and Partners Asia Pacific as well as 'Litigation Star' by Benchmark Litigation Asia Pacific 2025.

PRACTICE AREAS

Dispute Resolution & Arbitration
Real Estate
Government & Regulatory

RECOGNITIONS

A-List

India Business Law Journal

Asia Super 50 Disputes Lawyers

Asian Legal Business

Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year

ALB India Law Awards

Litigation star

Benchmark Litigation | Asia Pacific

Recognised practitioner

Chambers & Partners | Asia Pacific

Recommended lawyer

Legal 500 | Asia Pacific

EDUCATION

LLB, Government Law College, Mumbai
LLM, Harvard Law School

MEMBERSHIPS

Solicitor, Supreme Court of England & Wales

Registered practitioner before the DIFC Courts, Dubai

LANGUAGES

English
Hindi

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Municipal Corporation of Delhi

On a challenge to the arbitral award for deciding matters beyond the scope of reference

Real estate developers and associations including CREDAI-MCHI, Birla Corporation Ltd, Money Magnum Nest Pvt Ltd

On the validity of grant of *ex post facto* Environmental Clearance (EC) under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 for projects with admitted environmental violations before the Supreme Court

JBM Group

On a challenge to the blacklisting of JBM entities in a tender floated by Government of India for the supply of electric buses and Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme, before the Supreme Court

In re: Interplay between arbitration agreements under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 and the Indian Stamp Act, 1899

On the enforceability of an insufficiently stamped arbitration agreement and jurisdiction of the Arbitral Tribunal to decide the issue, before a 7-judge bench of the Supreme Court of India

Hydraulics and Pneumatics LLP

On proceedings arising out of acquisition of land at a prime commercial location in Faridabad under Section 18 of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894; successfully secured a compensation of INR 350 crores before the Punjab & Haryana High Court and the Supreme Court

Kanodia Infratech

On setting aside of an arbitral award on the ground of unilateral appointment of the Arbitral Tribunal

BDR Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd

On a suit for patent infringement involving a unique issue of the scope of a product-by-process claim before the Delhi High Court and the Supreme Court

RDB Primarc Technopark

On its INR 638 crore strategic acquisition of DLF Techpark 1, one of the largest IT parks in Eastern India with a gross leasable area of 1.49 million sq ft, from DLF Info City Developers (Kolkata), a wholly owned subsidiary of DLF Cyber City Developers

DSK Real Estates Ltd

On the construction of a multi-storied hotel near an Ordnance Depot involving issues of national security and constitutional right to property before the Calcutta High Court

Birla Corporation Ltd

On a matter relating to the permissibility and regulation of mining operations around Chittorgarh Fort before the Supreme Court

Arvind Maiya

On an appeal challenging an order of the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) under Section 132 of the Companies Act, 2013

Birla Institute of Management and Technology (BIMTECH)

On a challenge to the Supreme Court's order restoring an arbitral award without considering BIMTECH's objections, ensuring the appeal was remanded to the Orissa High Court for a full adjudication

Saatvik Green Energy Pvt Ltd

On a writ petition challenging an order passed by NTPC Ltd, blacklisting the client