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**preface to**  
**volume 4 to the twenty-first edition**

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We are overjoyed to present to the readers a book on precedents, agreements and various legal drafting being the present edition of Volume 4. This edition was overdue as a sequel to Volume 1, 2 and 3 to make the series of precedents with regard to company law procedures complete.

This book contains specimen drafts of company precedents, agreements deeds and documentation. They are needed not only before a company is incorporated but also after incorporation and further while it is running. It also contains as practice notes the statutory and other requirements which a company has to follow before and while entering into such agreements under each and every specimen. At places these practice notes are exhaustive and elaborate and at places just a few depending on the legality and other issues involved in each precedent.

The book offers a variety of agreements such as formation and promotion, ancillary, underwriting, sale of shares, subscription etc. The chapter containing ancillary agreements includes a wide variety of agreements catering all sections of the public. There are in total 470 agreements including agreements relating to dividends amalgamation and reconstruction, loans and securities, agreements with regard to subsidiaries and associated companies and finally agreements for winding up.

This present new edition of the book has been prepared with lot of hardship and after lot of research work so that it becomes a precedent to quote and refer for all times to come. To make this possible great help has come from Miss Indrani Roy, LL.B. FCS & Advocate, Mr. A.P. Datar, Senior Advocate, and other respectable members on our editorial board. We convey our gratefulness to all of them and acknowledge their contribution and thank them for their valuable suggestions and ideas without which we could not have prepared the book in such a comprehensive manner. We are also thankful to the publishers M/s. LexisNexis Butterworths Wadhwa Nagpur for their outstanding contribution to present this book in such a beautiful get up and appearance to the avowed readers.

Our sincere intention is and always will be to add to the value and utility of a book more and more and in this endeavour we offer to our esteemed readers to let us know how they like this present edition of volume 4.

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—Editors

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