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Important Points: -

D All Amendments upto 31st October 2020 aue applicable.

2) November 2020 Study material Edition is applicable

for May 2021 exams.

(3) Exclusions

Company Law	Economic Laws 2 SEBI
Same exclusions	Almost same Exclusions.
confinued,	* Sec 46,47 added in
* Printing Mistake	Money Laundering
× 337-351, 348-351	* Sec 53 removed from
~ 337-343, 348-351	foreign Contribution.
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× (4) Winding up Rules 2020 is NOT applicable.

× (5) Companies (Amendment) Act 2020 is NOT applicable.

Auditing 2 Assurance

1) 36 standards are applicable.

2 CARO-2020 is applicable for May 2021 exame.

- 3 Only 3 Gruidance notes are included:
 - Tax Audit
 - Bank Audit
 - IFC
 - 4 Professional Ethics based on Code of Ethics 2020.
 - No change in SCHEDULES.

PMLA
Sec 46:- Code of Criminal Procedure 1973 Shall apply.
Special Counts Shall be devented as
Sessian Count.
Sec 47:- High Count shall be the appellate authority.



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Applicability of Standards/Guidance Notes/Legislative Amendments etc. for May, 2021 Examination

Study Guidelines for May, 2021 Examinations
Final New Course

Paper 1: Financial Reporting

(1)	(2)	(3)
S. No. in the revised syllabus	Topics of the syllabus	Exclusions
2.	Application of Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) with reference to General Purpose Financial Statements	 Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 16 'Property, Plant and Equipment' Appendix B- Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine
	(v) Ind AS on Assets and Liabilities of the Financial Statements including Industry specific Ind AS	 Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 37 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets' Appendix A: Rights to Interests arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental
	opcome ma / te	 Rehabilitation Funds Appendix B: Liabilities arising from Participating in a Specific Market — Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment
	(viii) Other Ind AS	Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 29 : Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies
		Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 104 : Insurance Contracts
		 Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 106 : Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources
		Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 114 : Regulatory Deferral Accounts
5.	Analysis of financial statements	Analysis of financial statements based on

	Accounting Standards
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- (1) In the above table, in respect of the topics of the revised syllabus specified in column (2) the related exclusion is given in column (3). The revised syllabus has been enclosed as **Annexure I** of this Study Guidelines.
- (2) November, 2020 edition of the Study Material is relevant for May, 2021 examination. The relevant / applicable topics or content are to be read alongwith the 'Corrigendum to Study Material', if any
- (3) The relevant Amendments / Notifications / Circulars / Rules issued by the Companies Act, 2013 up to 31st October, 2020 will be applicable for May, 2021 Examination. Accordingly, amendments notified by MCA on 24th July, 2020 is applicable for May, 2021 examination.

Annexure I

REVISED SYLLABUS (APPLICABLE FROM NOVEMBER, 2019 EXAMINATION) FINAL NEW COURSE

PAPER – 1: FINANCIAL REPORTING

(One paper – Three hours – 100 Marks)

Objectives:

- (a) To acquire the ability to integrate and solve problems in practical scenarios on Indian Accounting Standards for deciding the appropriate accounting treatment and formulating suitable accounting policies.
- (b) To gain the prowess to recognize and apply disclosure requirements specified in Indian Accounting Standards while preparing and presenting the financial statements.
- (c) To develop the skill to prepare financial statements of group entities which includes subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangements based on Indian Accounting Standards.
- (d) To develop an understanding of the various forms of reporting (other than financial statements) and accounting for special transactions, and apply such knowledge in problem solving.

Contents:

- 1. Framework for Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS).
- 2. Application of Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) with reference to General Purpose Financial Statements
 - (i) Ind AS on First time adoption of Indian Accounting Standards
 - (ii) Ind AS on Presentation of Items in the Financial Statements
 - (iii) Ind AS on Measurement based on Accounting Policies
 - (iv) Ind AS on Income Statement
 - (v) Ind AS on Assets and Liabilities of the Financial Statements including Industry specific Ind AS

- (vi) Ind AS on Items impacting the Financial Statements
- (vii) Ind AS on Disclosures in the Financial Statements
- (viii) Other Ind AS

3. Indian Accounting Standards on Group Accounting

- (i) Business Combinations and Accounting for Corporate Restructuring (including demerger) (as per Ind AS)
- (ii) Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements (as per Ind AS)
- 4. Accounting and Reporting of Financial Instruments (as per Ind AS)
- 5. Analysis of Financial Statements
- 6. Integrated Reporting
- 7. Corporate Social Responsibility Reporting

Notes:

- 1. If either a new Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) or Announcements and Limited Revisions to Ind AS are issued or the earlier one are withdrawn or new Ind AS, Announcements and Limited Revisions to Ind AS are issued in place of existing Ind AS, Announcements and Limited Revisions to Ind AS, the syllabus will accordingly include / exclude such new developments in the place of the existing ones with effect from the date to be notified by the Institute.
- The specific inclusions / exclusions in any topic covered in the syllabus will be effected every year by way of Study Guidelines.

Paper 3: Advanced Auditing and Professional Ethics

A- List of topic-wise inclusion in the syllabus

- I. List of applicable Statements and Standards for May 2021 Examination:
 - 1. Statement on Reporting under Section 227(1A) of the Companies Act, 1956 (Section 143(1) of the Companies Act, 2013).
 - 2. Framework for Assurance Engagements.

36 Standards

II. List of applicable Engagements and Quality Control Standards on Auditing for May 2021 Examination

S.No	SA	Title of Standard on Auditing	
1	SQC 1	Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Historical Financial Information, and Other Assurance and Related Services Engagements	
2	SA 200	Overall Objectives of the Independent Auditor and the Conduct of an Audit in Accordance with Standards on Auditing	
3	SA 210	Agreeing the Terms of Audit Engagements	
4	SA 220	Quality Control for Audit of Financial Statements	

5	SA 230	Audit Documentation	
6	SA 240	The Auditor's responsibilities Relating to Fraud in an Audit of Financial Statements	
7	SA 250	Consideration of Laws and Regulations in An Audit of Financial Statements	
8	SA 260	Communication with Those Charged with Governance (Revised)	
9	SA 265	Communicating Deficiencies in Internal Control to Those Charged with Governance and Management	
10	SA 299	Joint Audit of Financial Statements (Revised)	
11	SA 300	Planning an Audit of Financial Statements	
12	SA 315	Identifying and Assessing the Risks of Material Misstatement through Understanding the Entity and its Environment	
13	SA 320	Materiality in Planning and Performing an Audit	
14	SA 330	The Auditor's Responses to Assessed Risks	
15	SA 402	Audit Considerations Relating to an Entity Using a Service Organization	
16	SA 450	Evaluation of Misstatements Identified during the Audits	
17	SA 500	Audit Evidence	
18	SA 501	Audit Evidence - Specific Considerations for Selected Items	
19	SA 505	External Confirmations	
20	SA 510	Initial Audit Engagements-Opening Balances	
21	SA 520	Analytical Procedures	
22	SA 530	Audit Sampling	
23	SA 540	Auditing Accounting Estimates, Including Fair Value Accounting Estimates, and Related Disclosures	
24	SA 550	Related Parties	
25	SA 560	Subsequent Events	
26	SA 570	Going Concern (Revised)	
27	SA 580	Written Representations	
28	SA 600	Using the Work of Another Auditor	
29	SA 610	Using the Work of Internal Auditors (Revised)	
30	SA 620	Using the Work of an Auditor's Expert	
31	SA 700	Forming an Opinion and Reporting on Financial Statements (Revised)	
32	SA 701	Communicating Key Audit Matters in the Independent Auditor's Report (New)	
33	SA 705	Modifications to the Opinion in the Independent Auditor's Report (Revised)	
34	SA 706	Emphasis of Matter Paragraphs and Other Matter Paragraphs in the	

		Independent Auditor's Report (Revised)
35	SA 710	Comparative Information – Corresponding Figures and Comparative Financial Statements
36	SA 720	The Auditor's Responsibility in Relation to Other Information (Revised)

III. List of applicable Guidance Notes and other publications for May 2021 Examination:

Guidance Note on Audit under Section 44AB of the Income-tax Act.

Tax Audit Bank Audit

Guidance Note on Audit of Banks.

Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls over Financial Reporting.

I۷ Applicability of the Companies Act, 2013 and other Legislative Amendments for May 2021 Examination

- (i) Students are expected to be updated with the notifications, circulars and other legislative amendments made up to 6 months prior to the examination. Accordingly, the relevant notified Sections of the Companies Act, 2013 and legislative amendments including relevant Notifications / Circulars / Rules / Guidelines issued by Regulating Authority up to 31st October, 2020 will be applicable for May, 2021 Examination. It may be noted that the significant notifications and circulars issued which are not covered in the November 2020 edition of Study Material, would be given as Academic Update in the Revision Test Paper for May, 2021 Examination.
- (ii) SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 is applicable for May **2021** Examination
- (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 is applicable for May 2021 Examination.
- (iv) Audit provision under GST Laws are applicable for May 2021 Examination.
- (v) Revised Statement on Peer Review and Quality Review are applicable for May 2021 Examination.
- (vi) Revised Chapter on Professional Ethics based on Code of Ethics 2020 is applicable for May 2021 Examination.
- B- List of topic-wise exclusions from the syllabus
 - Chapter on Special Audit Assignment topic has been excluded.
 - II. Following Engagement and Quality Control Standards excluded:

(1)	(2)	(3)	
S. No	Topics of the syllabus	Exclusions	
1	SA 800	Special Considerations-Audits of Financial Statements Prepared in Accordance with Special Purpose Framework	
2	SA 805	Special Considerations-Audits of Single Purpose Financial Statements and Specific Elements, Accounts or Items of a Financial Statement	

3	SA 810	Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements	
4	SRE 2400	Engagements to Review Historical Financial Statements (Revised)	
5	SRE 2410	Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity	
6	SAE 3400	The Examination of Prospective Financial Information	
7	SAE 3402	Assurance Reports on Controls At a Service Organisation	
8	SAE 3420	Assurance Engagements to Report on the Compilation of Pro Forma Financial Information Included in a Prospectus (New)	
9	SRS 4400	Engagements to Perform Agreed Upon Procedures Regarding Financial Information	
10	SRS 4410	Compilations Engagements (Revised)	

III. Following Guidance Notes and other publications are excluded:

- 1. Code of Ethics publication is excluded whereas Chapter 18 on Professional Ethics is in syllabus
- 2. Guidance Note on Independence of Auditors.
- 3. Guidance Note on Audit of Inventories.
- 4. Guidance Note on Audit of Debtors, Loans and Advances.
- 5. Guidance Note on Audit of Investments.
- 6. Guidance Note on Audit of Cash and Bank Balances.
- 7. Guidance Note on Audit of Liabilities.
- 8. Guidance Note on Audit of Revenue.
- 9. Guidance Note on Audit of Expenses.
 - 10. Guidance Note on Computer Assisted Audit Techniques (CAATs).
 - 11. Guidance Note on Audit of Payment of Dividend.
 - 12. Guidance Note on Audit of Capital and Reserves.
 - 13. Guidance Note on Reporting under section 143(3)(f) and (h) of the Companies Act, 2013
- 14. Guidance Note on Reporting on Fraud under section 143(12) of the Companies Act, 2013

Paper 4: Corporate and Economic Laws

The provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 along with significant Rules/ Notifications/ Circulars/ Clarification/ Orders issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and the laws covered under the Economic Laws, as amended by concerned authority, including significant notifications and circulars issued up to 31st October, 2020 are applicable for May 2021 examination.

Inclusions / Exclusions from the syllabus

Inclusions	Exclusions	
(Provisions which are included from the corresponding chapter of the syllabus)	(Provisions which are excluded from the corresponding chapter of the syllabus)	
(2)	(3)	
The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material for May 2021 examinations shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Tollowing sections of the Companies Act are excluded- 337-351, 348 -351, 359-365, 366- 378, 396-405, 408-419, 441,448- 449, 451-453, 456 -470 and provisions related to Producer	
Whereas, the Relevant rules of the Companies Act to the extent covered in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	All other Rules of the Companies Act, 2013 are excluded.	
The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Following sections of the SCRA, 1956- Sections 4A, 4B, 20, 25, 26B, 26D, 26E, 29, 29A, 30, 30A, 31, 32 are excluded.	Same
(Regulation) Rules, 1957 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations: 3, 4, 4A, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 17A, 19 & 21.	Except the Securities Contract (Regulation) Rules, 1957 given in the Column (3), all other rules of the Securities Contract (Regulation) Rules, 1957 are excluded.	
The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. In particular, SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be applicable for the examination.	Following provisions of the SEBI Act, are excluded – Sections 2(1)(b), 2(1)(c), 2(1)(d), 2(1)(da), 2(1)(f), 2(1)(fa), 2(1)(g), 20, 21, 25, 28 & 33.	Sourre
The FEMA, 1999 along with the following Rules/Regulations to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examinations- • Fem (Permissible Capital Account Transactions) Regulations, 2000	Following provisions of the FEMA, 1999 is excluded for the examination-Sections 2(cc) & Section 2(gg), 16(2)- 16(6), 17(4) 17(6), 19 to 34, 37(2) – 37(3), 37A, 45, 46, 47 & 48. All other FEM (Regulations)/ Rules except given in column (3) are	Same
	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material for May 2021 examinations shall only be relevant for the said examinations. Whereas, the Relevant rules of the Companies Act to the extent covered in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. The following Securities Contract (Regulation) Rules, 1957 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations: 3, 4, 4A, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 17A, 19 & 21. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. In particular, SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be applicable for the examination. The FEMA, 1999 along with the following Rules/Regulations to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examination. The FEMA, 1999 along with the following Rules/Regulations to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examination. The FEMA, 1999 along with the following Rules/Regulations to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. • Fem (Permissible Capital Account Transactions)	irom the corresponding chapter of the syllabus) (2) The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material for May 2021 examinations shall only be relevant for the said examinations. Whereas, the Relevant rules of the Companies Act to the extent covered in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. The following Securities Contract (Regulation) Rules, 1957 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations: 3, 4, 4A, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 17A, 19 & 21. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations: 3, 4, 4A, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 17A, 19 & 21. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. In particular, SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be applicable for the examination. The FEMA, 1999 along with the following Rules/Regulations to the extent covered in the study material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations. Fem (Permissible Capital Account Transactions) Regulations, 2000 The setting the companies and to Evaluate to Producer Companies. Following sections of the Companies at to Producer Companies. Following sections of the Companies at to Producer Companies. Following sections of the Companies at to Producer Companies. Following sections of the Companies at to Producer Companies. Following sections of the SCRA, 1956–Sections 4A, 4B, 20, 25, 26B, 26D, 26E, 29, 29A, 30, 30A, 31, 32 are excluded. Following provisions of the SEBI Act, 2(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(1)(

	Part II: Economic Laws Chapter 2: SARFAESI Act, 2002	FEM (Export of Goods & Services) Regulations, 2015 Overseas Direct Investment Import of Goods and Services External Commercial Borrowing Policy Entire content to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examinations covering- Relevant definitions covered in the Study Material Provisions uptill section 19	Remaining provisions (i.e. section 20 and onwards) are excluded.	Same
Sec	Part II: Economic Laws Chapter 3: Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 46 17 included.	The entire content included in the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Following Sections are excluded for examination: 2(1)(a), (b)(c), (d), (da), (f), (g), (h), (i), (ia), (ib), (j), (ja), (k), (m), (na), (o), (q), (r), (rc), (s), (sa), (sb), (sc), (t), (va), (z), (zb) & (2)-Definitions, 6(3)-6(15), 7, 10, 11, 16 to 24, 35(1), 35(3)- 35(5), 36- 37, 39- 40, 49 to 54, 58A - 58B, 59-60, 61, 67-68, 73, 74 & 75. Rules related to PMLA is excluded in its entirety.	
	Part II: Economic Laws Chapter 4: Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 2010	The entire content included in the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations. Rules related to FCRR, 2011 is relevant to the extent covered in the the Study Material.	Following Sections are excluded for examination: Section 2(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (k), (l), (o), (p), (q), (s), (t), & (u)-Definitions, 21, 23 – 27, 44, 45, 49, 53 & 54.	Alread
	Part II: Economic Laws Chapter 5: The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996	The entire content included in the Study Material shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	-	
	Part II: Economic Laws Chapter 6: The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016	Entire content to the extent covered in the study material shall only be relevant for the said examinations covering- Relevant definitions in the Study Material Provisions uptill section 59	Provisions from section 60 onwards are excluded.	Same
		Rules related to Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, is relevant to the		

extent covered in the Study Material.	

- (1) In the above table of exclusion, in respect of the Chapters of the syllabus specified in column (1) the related exclusion is given in column (3). Where an exclusion has been so specified in any topic of the syllabus, the provisions corresponding to such exclusions, covered in other topic(s) forming part of the syllabus, shall also be excluded.
- (2) November 2020 edition of the Study Material is relevant for May 2021 examinations.
- (3) Except the exclusions mentioned in the column (3) of the table, the entire content of the syllabus included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material shall be relevant for the said examinations.

Elective Papers

Paper 6A: Risk Management

The pattern of examination for this paper is open-book and case study based. The entire content included in the August 2019 edition of the Study Material shall be relevant for the May 2021 examination.

Paper 6B: Financial Services and Capital Markets

The pattern of examination for this paper is open-book and case study based. Part A of the Study Material of Financial Services and Capital Markets (November 2020 Edition) shall be relevant for the May 2021 examination. Following SEBI Regulations (excluding Schedules) revised upto 30th June 2020 [covered in Part B of the Study Material (September, 2020 Edition)] are also relevant:

- a. SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015
- b. SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018
- c. SEBI (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015
- d. SEBI (Buy Back of Securities) Regulations, 2018
- e. SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996

Paper – 6C: International Taxation

1. Applicability of amendments made by Finance Act

As far as the applicability of Finance Act is concerned, the amendments made by the Finance Act of a particular year would be applicable for the May and November examinations of the next year.

Accordingly, the direct tax laws, as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, would be applicable for May, 2021 examinations. The relevant assessment year for May, 2021 examinations is A.Y.2021-22. This would be relevant as far as the topics on International Taxation pertain to

the Income-tax Act, 1961, equalization levy and the Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015.

However, if the case study based question requires computation/determination relating to any earlier assessment year also, then, the relevant provisions pertaining to that year would be given in the question itself. In the alternative, the question may mention that the relevant provisions in the earlier year were the same as they are for A.Y.2021-22.

2. Applicability of amendments made by circulars, notifications, press releases/press notes and other legislations

Students are expected to be updated with the notifications, circulars, press releases/press notes issued and other legislative amendments made in direct tax laws upto 6 months prior to the examination. For instance, for May, 2021 examination, significant notifications, circulars, press releases/press notes issued by the CBDT/Central Government and legislative amendments made upto 31st October, 2020 would be relevant. Accordingly, the amendments made by the Taxation and Other Laws (Relaxation and Amendment of Certain Provisions) Act, 2020, would be applicable for May, 2021 examinations. However, certain provisions which provide for extension of time for making investment or filing return etc. owing to COVID-19 pandemic are not applicable for examination.

3. Applicability of provisions of direct tax laws dealt with in Final (New) Paper 7 while addressing issues and making computation in case study based questions in Final (New) Paper 6C

The questions based on case study in the Elective Paper 6C: International Taxation may involve application of other provisions of direct tax laws dealt with in detail in Paper 7: Direct Tax Laws and International Taxation, which the students are expected to be aware of. Students may note that they are expected to integrate and apply the provisions of direct tax laws (dealt with in Final Paper 7: Direct Tax Laws and International Taxation and in the Elective Paper 6C: International Taxation) in making computations and addressing relevant issues in questions raised in the Elective Paper 6C on International Taxation.

Therefore, the November, 2020 edition of the Study Material for Final Paper 6C: International Taxation available at https://www.icai.org/post.html?post_id=16967 and Final Paper 7: Direct Tax Laws and International Taxation available at https://www.icai.org/post.html?post_id=16965 are relevant and important for answering case-study based questions in Paper 6C. These publications and updates have to be read along with the relevant bare Acts and Rules to address issues and make computations in case study based questions. The initial pages of the Study Material of Paper 6C available at https://resource.cdn.icai.org/62360bos50456-ip.pdf contains the link to the important webpages of the income-tax department and the relevant bare Acts and Rules.

4. Scope of coverage of certain topics

As regards certain topics on International Taxation, namely, Tax Treaties: Overview, Features, Application & Interpretation and Anti-Avoidance Measures, only the content as covered in the **November, 2020 edition** of the Study Material would be relevant for May, 2021 Examination. US Model Convention is **excluded** from the scope of the topic "Overview of Model Tax Conventions" by way of Study Guidelines.

It may be noted that if a case study based question involves application of a double taxation avoidance agreement (DTAA), the extract of the relevant article(s) of the DTAA would be given in the question paper. Alternatively, the question may mention that the DTAA is in line with the OECD/UN Model Tax Convention, in which case, the students have to refer to the relevant article(s) of the Model Tax Convention. Students are expected to have the ability to interpret the article(s) of the DTAA in answering case study based questions.

Paper 6D: Economic Laws

All the significant Rules/ Notifications/ Circulars/ Clarification/ Orders issued in the specified Acts covered under the Economic Laws, up to 31st October 2020, are applicable for May 2021 examination.

Inclusions / Exclusions from the syllabus

(1)	(2)	(3)
	Inclusions	Exclusions
Chapters/ Topics of the syllabus	(Provisions which are included from the corresponding chapter of the syllabus)	(Provisions which are excluded from the corresponding chapter of the syllabus)
World Trade Organization	-	Entire chapter is excluded.
Chapter 1- The Competition Act, 2002 and Rules/Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Following Sections of the Competition Act, 2002 are excluded for the examination: 23, 24, 25, 34, 37, 40 are excluded.
	Significant Rules/Regulations related to the Competition Act are covered in the study material in the Broad manner. These are relevant for May 2021 examination to the extent covered in the study material.	Coverage of the Rules or regulations to the Competition Act are restricted to the extent covered in the study material.
Chapter 2- Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 and Rules/Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Regulations pertaining to RERA are excluded.
Chapter 3- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and Rules/Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Following sections are excluded of the Notified chapters of the Code: 3(2), 3(3), 3(5), 3(14), 3(22), 3(24), 3(25), 3(26), 3(28), 3(29), 3(32), 3(36), 3(37), 5(2) to 5(4), 5(10), 5(15), 5(16), 5(19), 5(21) to 5(23), 19, 26, 191, 195, 205, 224, 228,

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		229, 241-255.
	In specific, Regulations/ Rules related to Insolvency and Bankruptcy, it is covered broadly and not in entirety. These shall only be applicable to the extent covered in the study material.	In specific, chapter related to Insolvency resolution and bankruptcy for individuals and partnership firms of the Code (from section 78 to 187) is excluded. Coverage of the Rules or regulations to the IBC are restricted to the extent covered in the study material.
Chapter 4- The Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and Rules/Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Rules related to PMLA are excluded.
Chapter 5- The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 and Rules /Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Following provisions of the FEMA, 1999 is excluded for the examination-Sections 17(3) - 17(6), 20 to 31, 33, 45, 46, 47 & 48.
	In specific following FEM (Regulations)/ Rules shall only be applicable to the extent covered in the study material. • Foreign Exchange Management (Current Account Transactions) Rules, 2000 • Foreign Exchange Management (Permissible Capital Account Transactions) Regulations, 2000 • Foreign Exchange Management (Acquisition and Transfer of Immovable Property in India) Regulations, 2018 • Foreign Exchange Management (Acquisition and Transfer of Immovable Property outside India) Regulations, 2015 • Foreign Exchange	Following FEM(Regulations)/ Rules are entirely excluded: Foreign Exchange (Authentication of Documents) Rules, 2000 Foreign Exchange (Compounding Proceedings) Rules, 2000 Foreign Exchange Management (Adjudication Proceedings and Appeal) Rules, 2000 Foreign Exchange Management (Encashment of Draft, Cheque, Instrument and Payment of Interest) Rules, 2000 Foreign Exchange Management (Borrowing and lending in Rupees) Regulations, 2000 Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations, 2016 Foreign Exchange Management (Establishment in India of a

Management (Export of Goods and Services) Regulations, 2015

- Foreign Exchange
 Management (Realisation, repatriation and surrender of foreign exchange)
 Regulations, 2015
- Foreign Exchange Management (Possession and retention of foreign currency) Regulations, 2015
- Liberalized Remittance Scheme.
- Import of Goods and Services
- External Commercial Borrowings
- Overseas Direct Investments

- Branch Office or a Liaison Office or a Project Office or any other place of business) Regulations, 2016
- Foreign Exchange Management (Export and Import of Currency) Regulations, 2015
- Foreign Exchange Management (Foreign Currency Accounts by a person resident in India)
 Regulations, 2015
- Foreign Exchange Management
 (Foreign Exchange Derivative
 Contracts) Regulations, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management (Guarantees) Regulations, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management (Insurance) Regulations, 2015
- Foreign Exchange Management (Investment in firm or proprietary Concern in India) Regulations, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management (Issue of security in India by a Branch Office or Agency of a person Resident in outside India) Regulations, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management (Manner of Receipt and Payment) Regulations, 2016
- Foreign Exchange Management (Remittance of Assets) Regulations, 2016
- Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or issue of any Foreign security) Regulations, 2004
- Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or issue of security by a person resident outside India) Regulations, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management (Withdrawal of General permission to Overseas Corporate Bodies)
 Regulations, 2003
- Foreign Exchange Management (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2000
- Foreign Exchange Management

		(Crystallization of Inoperative Foreign Currency Deposits) Regulations, 2014 • Foreign Exchange Management (Offshore Banking Unit) Regulations, 2002 • Foreign Exchange Management (International financial Services Centre) Regulations, 2015 • Foreign Exchange Management (Regularization of assets held
		abroad by a person Resident in India) Regulations, 2015
Chapter 6- Prohibition of Benami Property Transactions Act,1988 and Rules/ Regulations	The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall only be relevant for the said examinations.	Except the provisions covered under column (2), others are excluded.

- (1) In the above table of Inclusion/exclusion, in respect of the Chapters of the syllabus specified in column (1) the related exclusion is given in column (3). Where an exclusion has been so specified in any topic of the syllabus, the provisions corresponding to such exclusions, covered in other topic(s) forming part of the syllabus, shall also be excluded.
- (2) November 2020 edition of the Study Material and Booklet on Significant Case Laws of December 2020 edition are relevant for May 2021 examinations.
- (3) Except the exclusions mentioned in the column (3) of the table, the entire content of the syllabus included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material, shall be relevant for the said examinations.

Paper 6E: Global Financial Reporting Standards

1. Relevant Study Material and Scope of Coverage of the content

November, 2020 edition of the Study Material is relevant for May, 2021 examination.

The study material contains the amendments in IFRS equivalent to the corresponding amendments taken place in Ind AS till 31st October, 2020. In case any amendment had taken place in IFRS but the same is yet to be notified in Ind AS, then it would not be applicable for this paper for May, 2021 examination.

As regards to the topic on 'Significant differences between IFRS and US GAAPs', the content as covered in the chapter given in the study material would be relevant for May, 2021 examination. The same file has also been uploaded on the website at the link https://resource.cdn.icai.org/48696bos32691a.PDF.

2. Non-applicability of certain International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and IFRS Interpretations (IFRICs)

Since the Core paper on Financial Reporting does not cover Ind AS equivalent to IAS 26, IAS 29 (including IFRIC 7), IFRS 4, IFRS 6, IFRS 14 and IFRS 17, the same IFRS shall also not form part of the GFRS Paper. Similarly, in applicable Ind AS there are no corresponding Appendix on IFRIC 2, IFRIC 9 and SIC 7, hence the same shall also not form part of the GFRS Paper.

Paper 6F: Multidisciplinary Case Study

The Multi-disciplinary case study would involve application of two or more of the seven core subjects at the Final level. List of seven core subjects at final level is given as under:

Final Paper		
Paper 1: Financial Reporting		
Paper 2: Strategic Financial Management		
Paper 3: Advanced Auditing and Professional Ethics		
Paper 4: Corporate and Economic Laws		
Paper 5: Strategic Cost Management and Performance Evaluation		
Paper 7: Direct Tax Laws & International Taxation		
Paper 8: Indirect Tax Laws		

Note: The applicability/ non-applicability of Standards/ Guidance Notes/ Legislative Amendments etc. for Paper 6F: Multidisciplinary Case Study for May, 2021 Examination would be same as applicable for each of the above individual papers.

Paper 7: Direct Tax Laws and International Taxation

Applicability of Finance Act, Assessment Year etc. for May, 2021 Examination

The provisions of direct tax laws, as amended by **the Finance Act, 2020** including significant notifications, circulars and press releases issued up to 31st October, 2020, are applicable for May, 2021 examination. The relevant assessment year is **A.Y.2021-22**.

The amendments made by the Taxation and Other Laws (Relaxation and Amendment of Certain Provisions) Act, 2020 are also relevant for May, 2021 examination. However, certain provisions which provide for extension of time for making investment or filing return etc. owing to COVID-19 pandemic are <u>not</u> applicable for the examination. Further, the amendments in section 10(23C), the provisions of new section 12AB and consequential amendments in section 11, 12A, 12AA, 35, 56(2), 80G, 115BBDA, 115TD and 253, effected by the Finance Act, 2020, in respect of which the effective date has later been deferred to 1.4.2021 by the Taxation and Other Laws (Relaxation and Amendment of Certain Provisions) Act, 2020, are <u>not</u> applicable for May, 2021 and November, 2021 examination.

Students may refer to the **November**, **2020 edition of the Study Material**, which contains the provisions of direct tax laws relevant for May, 2021 examination.

Scope of coverage of certain topics in Part II: International Taxation

As regards certain topics on International Taxation, namely, Overview of Model Tax Conventions, Application & Interpretation of Tax Treaties and Fundamentals of Base Erosion and Profit Shifting, the specific content as covered in the November, 2020 edition of the Study Material would be relevant for May, 2021 Examination.

Paper 8: Indirect Tax Laws

The following are applicable for May 2021 examination:

- (i) The provisions of CGST Act, 2017 and IGST Act, 2017 as amended by the Finance Act, 2020 and Finance (No. 2) Act, 2019, which have become effective up to 31st October, 2020, including significant notifications and circulars issued and other legislative amendments made, up to 31st October, 2020.
- (ii) The provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 and the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, as amended by the Finance Act, 2020, including significant notifications and circulars issued and other legislative amendments made, up to 31st October, 2020.

The Study Guidelines given below specify the exclusions from the syllabus for May 2021 examination.

List of topic-wise exclusions from the syllabus

(1)	(2)	(3)		
S. No. in the syllabus	Topics of the syllabus	Exclusions (Provisions which are excluded from the corresponding topic of the syllabus)		
Part-I: Goods and Services Tax				
1(ii)	Levy and collection of CGST and IGST – Application of CGST/IGST law; Concept of supply including composite and mixed supplies, inter-State supply, intra-State supply, supplies in territorial waters; Charge of tax including reverse charge; Exemption from tax; Composition levy	 (i) Rate of tax prescribed for supply of goods* (ii) Rate of tax prescribed for supply of services* (iii) Exemptions for supply of goods (iv) Categories of supply of goods, tax on which is payable on reverse charge basis 		
1(iv)	Time and Value of supply	Value of supply in cases where Kerala Flood Cess is applicable.		
1(v)	Input tax credit	 (i) Manner of determination of input tax credit in respect of inputs, input services and capital goods and reversal thereof in respect of real estate projects (ii) Manner of reversal of credit of additional duty of customs in respect of Gold dore bar 		
1(vii)	Procedures under GST including registration, tax invoice, credit and debit notes, electronic way bill, accounts and records, returns, payment of tax including tax deduction at source and tax collection at source, refund, job work	(ii) Furnishing of GSTR-2, GSTR-1A and GSTR-3 (iii) Matching, reversal & reclaim of input tax credit (iii) Matching, reversal & reclaim of reduction in output tax liability		
1(xv)	Other provisions	Transitional Provisions		

Part-II: Customs & FTP				
1.(v)	Officers of Customs; Appointment of customs ports, airports etc.	Completely excluded		
1.(vii)	Provisions relating to coastal goods and vessels carrying coastal goods			
1.(viii)	Warehousing			
1.(x)	Demand and Recovery			
1.(xi)	Provisions relating to prohibited goods, notified goods, specified goods, illegal importation/exportation of goods			
1.(xii)	Searches, seizure and arrest; Offences; Penalties; Confiscation and Prosecution			
1.(xiii)	Appeals and Revision; Advance Rulings; Settlement Commission			
1.(xiv)	Other provisions			

^{*}Rates specified for computing the tax payable under composition levy are included in the syllabus.

- (1) Applicability of the Finance Act, 2020: The amendments made by the Finance Act, 2020 in the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 [hereinafter referred to as CGST Act, 2017] and the Integrated Goods and Services Tax, 2017 [hereinafter referred to as IGST Act, 2017] which have become effective till 31.10.2020 are applicable for May 2021 examinations. However, select amendments made by the Finance Act, 2020 namely, amendments made in sections 10, 16, 29, 30, 31, 51, 122 and 132 of the CGST Act, 2017 have not become effective as on 31.10.2020. Therefore, the same are not applicable for May 2021 examinations.
- (2) Applicability of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 2019: All the amendments made the Finance (No. 2) Act, 2019 are applicable for May 2021 examinations except the amendment made in sections 2(4), 39, 95, 102, 103, 104, 105 and 106 of the CGST Act, 2017 and the insertion of new sections 101A, 101B & 101C in the CGST Act, 2017 (which have not become effective till 31.10.2020). Further, Sabka Vishwas (Legacy Dispute Resolution) Scheme, 2019 introduced vide Chapter V of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 2019 is not applicable for May, 2021 examinations.
- (3) In the above table, in respect of the topics of the syllabus specified in column (2) the related exclusion is given in column (3). Where an exclusion has been so specified in any topic of the syllabus, the provisions corresponding to such exclusions, covered in other topic(s) forming part of the syllabus, shall also be excluded.
- (4) November 2020 edition of the Study Material is relevant for May 2021 and November 2021 examinations. The entire content included in the November 2020 edition of the Study Material (except the exclusions mentioned herein) shall be relevant for May 2021 examinations.