

<b>CHAPTER</b>	<h1>1</h1> <h2>Introduction to Accounting Standards</h2>
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Topic Number	Name of the topic
1.	Introduction
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8.	Convergence of IFRS in India

<b>TIME MANAGER</b>		<i>Plan and Manage your Time</i>						
<b>Time</b>	<b>First In-depth learning</b>	<b>Instant Revision (in hours)</b>		<b>Periodic Revision (in hours)</b>				
	i.e.....	Next day	After 7 days	After 30 days	After 60 days	After 90 days	Fix as per your need	
	..... Day 1	i.e.... Day 2	i.e. on Day 8	i.e. on Day 30	i.e. on Day 60	i.e. on Day 90		
1. Budgeted	5	1.15	1.00	0.45	0.10	0.10		
2. Actual								
3. Variance (1-2)								

<b>DESCRIPTIVE QUESTIONS</b>
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<b>2008 - June [2] (a)</b>	<b>Topic 2</b>
<p>“Accounting standards are formulated in conformity with the provisions of the applicable laws, customs, usages and business environment of a country.” Comment. (5 marks) [CS Inter - I]</p>	

**Answer :**

Accounting Standards (AS) are written policy documents issued by an Expert Accounting Body or by Government or by other Regulatory Body.

Every effort is made to issue accounting standards which are in conformity with the provisions of the applicable laws, customs, usages and business environment of our nation.

However, if due to subsequent amendments in the law, a particular accounting standard is found to be not in conformity with such law, the provision of the said law will prevail and the financial statements should be prepared in conformity with such law.

The accounting standards by their very nature cannot and do not override the local regulations which govern the preparation and presentation of financial statements in our country.

However, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India will determine the disclosure requirements to be made in the financial statements and auditor's reports. Such disclosure may be by way of appropriate notes explaining the treatment of particular items. Such explanatory notes will only be in the nature of clarification and therefore, need not be treated as adverse comments on the related financial statements.

<b>2013 - Dec [2] (e)</b>	<b>Topic 4</b>
<p>State the objectives of the Accounting Standards Board. (3 marks) [CS Exe - I]</p>	

**Answer:****Objectives of the Accounting Standards Board**

1. To conceive and suggest areas in which Accounting Standards need to be developed.
2. To formulate Accounting Standards with a view to assisting the council of the ICAI in evolving and establishing Accounting Standards in India.
3. To examine how far the relevant International Accounting Standards/ International Financial Reporting Standard can be adapted while formulating the AS and to adapt the same.
4. To review, at regular intervals the Accounting Standards from the point of view of acceptance or changed conditions and if necessary revise the same.
5. To provide from time to time interpretations and guidance on Accounting Standards.
6. To carry out such other functions relating to Accounting Standards.

2015 - June [2] (a)	Topic 3
Explain the convergence of Indian Accounting Standards (IAS) with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). (3 marks) [CS Exe - II]	

**Answer:**

Companies which are not required to follow Ind AS shall continue to comply with Accounting Standards ('AS') as prescribed in Companies (Accounting Standards) Rules, 2006.

Highlights of the notified Companies (Indian Accounting Standard) Rules, 2015 is provided below:

**Applicability of Ind AS:**

The Companies and their Auditors shall comply with the Ind AS specified in the Annexure to the Rules in preparation of their Financial Statements (FS) and Audit respectively, in the following manner;

**1. Voluntary adoption (for FY 2015-16):**

Any company may comply with the Ind AS for Financial Statements for accounting periods beginning on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015, with the comparatives for the periods ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015, or thereafter. This option is also available to companies whose securities are listed or

are in the process of being listed on Small and Medium Enterprises ('SME') exchange.

**2. Mandatory adoption:**

1. **From FY 2016-17:** Companies satisfying following criteria are required to comply with the Ind AS for or the accounting periods beginning on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016, with the comparatives for the periods ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016, or thereafter.
  - (a) Companies whose Equity or Debt Securities are listed or are in the process of being listed on any stock exchange in India or outside India and having Net Worth (NW) of ₹ 500 crore or more.
  - (b) Unlisted Companies (i.e. other than those mentioned in (a) above) having NW of ₹ 500 crore or more.
  - (c) Holding, Subsidiary, Joint Venture/Associate Companies of Companies covered in (a) and (b) above.
2. **From FY 2017-18:** Companies satisfying following criteria are required to comply with the Ind AS for or the accounting periods beginning on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017, with the comparatives for the periods ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017, or thereafter:
  - (a) Companies whose Equity or Debt Securities are listed or are in the process of being listed on any stock exchange in India or outside India and having NW of less than ₹ 500 crore.
  - (b) Unlisted Companies having NW of ₹ 250 crore or more but less than ₹ 500 crore.
  - (c) Holding, Subsidiary, Joint Venture/Associate Companies of Companies covered in (a) and (b) above.

Ind AS once required to be complied with in accordance with these rules, shall apply to both standalone financial statements (SFS) and consolidated financial statements (CFS).

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