

FORMATION OF THE CHAMBER

OUR FOUNDERS

Late Shri Bhagavatlal S. Gabhawalla



CHAIRMAN



Late Shri Rasiklal D. Shah
1978-79 & 1979-80

Late Shri Rajubhai J. Chokshi
1980-81

Vadilal C. Shah
1981-82

S.S. Kelwadi
1982-83

V.B. Goyal
1983-84

Late Shri Bhagavatlal S. Gabhawalla and late Shri Rasiklal D. Shah felt need to have an Association of professionals in the western suburban area of Mumbai to cater the need of tax professionals residing or having office in the area. They approached Shri Vadilal C. Shah, Tax Consultant, who was Secretary of the Sales Tax Practitioners' Association of Maharashtra. The suggestion was readily accepted. Shri Vadilal C. Shah suggested to invite late Shri Rajubhai Chokshi, Chartered Accountant, educationist and philanthropic personality of Malad.

It was decided to meet at the place of late Shri N. V. Suchak, who was a friend of late Shri Rajubhai Chokshi to decided the name, address and activities of the Association. They also invited Shri V. B. Goyal, Chartered Accountant.

On 17th November, 1978 at Dr. Suchak's Hospital the Malad Chamber of Tax Consultants was came into existence. Ad hoc committee was formed consisting of late Shri Bhagavatlal S. Gabhawalla, late Shri Rasiklal D. Shah, late Shri Rajubhai J. Chokshi, Vadilal C. Shah, S. S. Kelwadi and V. B. Goyal. The ad hoc committee decided to make at least 30 members in the first year. In fact in the first year itself the membership was reached to 35 and has not stopped thereafter.

In the initial year the activities of the Chamber were restricted to conduct the study circle meetings by inviting experts on the subject of direct and indirect taxes. There was no fund, no office, no staff and no library. In spite of these limitation, the activities were carried on by meeting the expenses by office bearers or by sponsors.

In the year 1981-82, Shri Vadilal C. Shah was elected as Chairman of the Chamber and during that year the Chamber arranged first seminar on Sales Tax at Sundar Nagar. Malad . It was a grand success.

In the year 1983-84 under the chairmanship of Shri V. B. Goyal, first picnic of the Chamber was arranged.