Someone asks what the position of

Company Secretary

Is In The Corporate World

There is no need to tell him or her he or she is not a secretary of the company, or, just like a Chartered Accountant, just show the power of a Company Secretary in a Company.

According to Section 2(51) of the Companies Act, 2013

"key managerial personnel", in relation to a company, means—

- (i) the Chief Executive Officer or the managing director or the manager;
- (ii) the company secretary;
- (iii) the whole-time director;
- (iv) the Chief Financial Officer; and
- (v) such other officer, not more than one level below the directors who is in whole-time employment, designated as key managerial personnel by the Board; and
- (vi) such other officer as may be prescribed

According to Section 203 of the Companies Act, 2013

Every company belonging to such class or classes of companies as may be prescribed shall have the following whole-time key managerial personnel,—

- (i) managing director, or Chief Executive Officer or manager and in their absence, a whole-time director;
- (ii) Company Secretary; and
- (iii) Chief Financial Officer:

Companies (Appointment and Remuneration of Managerial Personnel) Rules, 2014

8. Appointment of Key Managerial Personnel.-

Every listed company and every other public company having a paidup share capital of ten crore rupees or more shall have whole-time key managerial personnel.

8A. Appointment of Company Secretaries in companies not covered under rule 8.—

Every private company which has a paid up share capital of ten crore rupees or more shall have a whole -time company secretary.

ACCORDING TO THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013, ONLY ONE PERSON NEEDS TO BE APPOINTED AS KMP IN THE CASE OF A PRIVATE COMPANY, AND THAT IS WE, THE COMPANY SECRETARIES, WHO SPECIALISE IN CORPORATE LAW AND GOVERNANCE, WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013.