

**Title: Related Party Transactions and Audit Fees: Indian Evidence**

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**Abstract:**

We examine the effect of related party transactions (RPTs) on audit fees in Indian public companies. RPTs can be used to manipulate financial statements as well as transfer wealth between firms and their related parties, and the presence of RPTs increases audit risk. We find that related party sales are associated with a 17.4 percent increase in audit fees, indicating that such transactions increase the audit risk and require significant additional audit effort.

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