

# Automating the transfer pricing cost segmentation and allocation process



Preparation of segmental data is generally a key requirement to assess transfer pricing/ business outcomes. However, in many organisations, existing ERPs may not be configured to prepare such customised segmental reports. Hence, segmental accounts are prepared manually on multiple Excel sheets.

Segmental data (reflecting cost segmentation mechanism, allocation keys, etc.) is also requested by tax authorities to inter alia understand:

Accuracy of the arm's length margins

Calculation of costplus mark-ups for invoicing purposes

Calculation of head office allocation

# **Challenges:**

Manually preparing such segmental data poses the following challenges:

- Time consuming
- Potential for inconsistency
- Error prone
- May result in inaccurate Transfer Pricing (TP) policy implementation.

To address these challenges, KPMG in India has developed a technology enabled tool which can be customised to automate the process of segmentation and invoicing.

### Our automation tool

With the KPMG Transfer Pricing Cost Segmentation Tool, we can assist organisations with:

- Automation of the segment / Inter company invoice calculation process
- Generation of segmental reports / invoices
- Creation of standard / customised analytical dashboards.

# Value proposition – key potential benefits

- Significant savings in time and effort
- Consistent approach year on year basis
- Detailed and summarised reports providing a complete trail of the data
- Intuitive dashboards providing valuable insights for informed decision making.





# Allocations required for



### TP compliance and audits

- Related party / non related party;
- Functional profitability



**HO** allocations / **Management cross** charges



**Operational transfer pricing** (scenario analysis for TP policy implementation)



**Advance pricing** agreements



### **Business analysis**

- Product / service wise profitability;
- SEZ / non SEZ



**Accounting v/s Segments** 

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