

IFRS Will be Effective From Next Year: Moily

India will enforce an adapted version of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) from financial year 2013-14, making the financial statements of companies in the country comparable with those in more than 100 other countries, corporate affairs minister M Veerappa Moily said on Wednesday.

IFRS followed in many advanced economies including Europe, relies on a fair value based accounting system to capture a more realistic picture of a company's financial health than the conservative Indian accounting standards that follow a historical cost approach (the cost of acquiring an asset).

"I would like see that IFRS is implemented at least by financial year 2013-14," Moily said at an Idea Exchange programme organised by the Indian Express Group.

Moily said the corporate affairs ministry was waiting for the Direct Tax Code to come in before the implementation of IFRS.

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