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BHUBANESWAR CHAPTER

GST Day Celebration

The ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter commemorated GST Day on July 1, 2025, with a program titled "GST Appellate Mechanism – Key Aspects and Procedure." The event was held at CMA Bhawan and featured an inaugural address by Shri Bijoy Kumar Kar, retired Chief Commissioner of GST.

The keynote speakers, CMA Niranjan Swain and CMA Barada Prasan Nayak, provided a detailed analysis of the appellate mechanism and its impact. CMA Damodar Mishra, Secretary of ICMAI-EIRC, attended as a special guest. The event was coordinated by CMA Barada Prasan Nayak and facilitated by CMA Soumya Ranjan Jena.

More than 100 people attended the event, which was presided over by Chapter Chairman CMA Sarat Kumar Behera. The program concluded with a vote of thanks from Past Chairman CMA Surya Narayan Tripathy.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at ICPS

On July 2, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held a CMA Career Awareness Programme at Integral Coaching for Professional Study (ICPS) in Bhubaneswar. The event featured CMA Saktidhar Singh, a past chairman of the chapter, who spoke in detail about the career opportunities and curriculum of the CMA course. The session was attended by 50 commerce students and faculty members from ICPS, who actively participated in a Q&A session.

CAT Course Inauguration at CMA Bhawan

On July 9, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held an inaugural function for the Certificate in Accounting Technicians (CAT) course. The program, organized in partnership with the Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR), is designed for retiring/retired Junior Commissioned Officers (JCOs) and other ranks.

The inauguration was led by Chief Guest Col. Kirtiman Gautam Mohanty, alongside CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Chairman, and CMA Surya Narayan Tripathy, Past Chairman of the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter. The event was also attended by several

faculty members of the CAT course.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at SP Commerce Hub

On July 9, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter organized a CMA Career Awareness Programme at SP Commerce Hub in Bhubaneswar. CMA Santanu Kumar Rout, a past chairman of the chapter, was the speaker. He provided an in-depth overview of the career opportunities and curriculum associated with the CMA course. The session saw active participation from 60 commerce students and faculty members who had their questions and queries answered.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at BJEM School

On July 10, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter conducted a CMA Career Awareness Programme at Buxi Jagabandhu English Medium School (BJEM) in Bhubaneswar. The session featured CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Chairman, and CMA Avinash Kotni, Vice-Chairman of the chapter, who provided a detailed overview of the career opportunities and curriculum of the CMA course. The program saw active participation from approximately 80 commerce students and faculty members, who engaged in a Q&A session to clarify their queries.

Seminar on Social Stock Exchange

On July 11, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter hosted a seminar at CMA Bhawan on the topic, "Social Stock Exchange and Emerging Professional Opportunities." The session was led by CMA Dr. S.K. Gupta, Managing Director of ICMAI Registered Valuers Organisation, who served as the resource person.

The event began with a welcome and keynote address from CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Chairman of the chapter. CMA Barada Prasan Nayak, Chairman of the PD Committee, facilitated the program, and CMA Surya Narayan Tripathy, a past chairman, delivered the vote of thanks. The seminar saw participation from over 80 attendees.

Strategy Session for CMA Foundation Pass Students

On Sunday, July 13, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held a Strategy and Interactive Session for

students who successfully passed the CMA Foundation exam in the June 2025 term. The session was led by chapter leaders, including Chairman CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Vice-Chairman CMA Avinash Kotni, and CMA Rabindra Nahak. They offered motivation and guidance to the students as they prepare for the next stage of their CMA journey.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at Sadguru Academy

On July 18, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter conducted a CMA Career Awareness Programme at Sadguru Academy in Nimapara. The session, led by CMA Ashok Kumar Sahani, a member of the chapter, provided a detailed overview of the career opportunities and course curriculum for the CMA program. The event was attended by 80 commerce students who actively participated and had their questions answered.

First Monthly Study Circle Meet at CMA Bhawan

On July 26, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held its first Monthly Study Circle Meeting at CMA Bhawan. The purpose of the meeting was to keep members updated on the latest developments in Income Tax, GST, and other professional topics.

The session was attended by CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Chairman; CMA Soumya Ranjan Jena, Secretary; and CMA Barada Prasan Nayak, Chairman of the PD Committee. More than 20 participants joined the meeting to stay current with professional updates.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at Unitech Residential College

On July 23, 2025, a CMA Career Awareness Programme was conducted at Unitech Residential College in Nayagarh. CMA Rashmi Ranjan Sarangi, a member and guest faculty of the chapter, gave a detailed presentation on the Cost Accountancy course and its career prospects. CMA Prakash Chandra Sahoo, an officer from the Bhubaneswar Chapter, also interacted with the students to answer their questions. The event saw active participation from 100 students.

Income Tax Day Celebration

On July 28, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter

celebrated "Income Tax Day Celebration Week-2025" with a seminar at CMA Bhawan. The event, titled "Decoding of Income Tax Bill-2025," was inaugurated by Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Odisha Region, Mrs. Paramita Satapathy Tripathy.

CMA Niranjan Swain, a past chairman and tax consultant, served as the resource person, providing an in-depth analysis of the new bill. CMA Damodar Mishra, Vice-Chairman of ICMAI-EIRC, attended as a special guest. The program was coordinated by CMA Barada Prasan Nayak, with a welcome address by Chairman CMA Sarat Kumar Behera and a vote of thanks by Secretary CMA Soumya Ranjan Jena. The event saw the active participation of over 100 people.

CMA Career Awareness Programme at Chakraborty Tutorial

On July 29, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held a CMA Career Awareness Programme at Chakraborty Tutorial in Puri. The session was led by Shri Sarojkanta Sahoo, Superintendent of the chapter, who detailed the career opportunities and curriculum of the CMA course. The program was attended by 80 commerce students who actively participated and had their questions answered.

ICMAI Felicitation for CMA Khirod Chandra Nanda

On July 7, 2025, CMA Khirod Chandra Nanda was felicitated by representatives from the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI) upon his appointment as Director (Finance) of GRIDCO Ltd. The felicitation took place at the GRIDCO Limited office in Bhubaneswar and was led by CMA Damodar Mishra, Secretary of ICMAI-EIRC, and CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, Chairman of the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter.

Farewell Ceremony for Shri Saroj Kanta Sahoo

On July 31, 2025, the ICMAI-Bhubaneswar Chapter held a farewell ceremony for Shri Saroj Kanta Sahoo, its Superintendent. Shri Sahoo, who joined the chapter in 1994, retired after many years of dedicated service. The members of the Managing Committee acknowledged his contributions and wished him a happy and healthy life after retirement.

SOUTH ODISHA CHAPTER

Evening Talk on "The Role of CMAs in the **Growth of the MSME Sector"**

On June 20, 2025, the chapter held an evening talk at the Chapter Conference Hall on Old Christian Street, Berhampur. The event focused on the role of CMAs in the growth of the MSME sector.

The talk featured Sri Bibhuti Bhusan Mohanty, Deputy Regional Head of Union Bank of India, as the Chief Guest. Sri Mahendra Kumar Gadatya, Head of MSME at Union Bank of India, was the Chief Speaker and Resource Person, providing a detailed presentation on the topic.

The seminar was inaugurated by CMA Akshya Kumar Swain, Chairman of the Chapter, who welcomed all guests and attendees. CMA Binod Bihari Nayak, the Secretary, and CMA Lipu Panda, Chairman of MDP, were also on the dais and contributed to the discussion. CMA Lipu Panda concluded the event with a vote of thanks.

Observation of "GST Day Celebration Week - 2025"

The chapter organized the GST Day Celebration Week - 2025 on Monday, July 7, 2025. The event was held at the Chapter Conference Hall on Old Christian Street, Berhampur, and was based on the theme "GST@8 Strengthening Economic Unity, Powering Growth."

The seminar was inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Sri Sujeet Kumar Behera, Assistant Commissioner, CT & GST, Ganjam Range, Berhampur, who also addressed the gathering. CA/CMA Rajkiran Padhi, a Practicing Chartered Accountant, served as the resource person and delivered a detailed presentation.

CMA Akshya Kumar Swain, the Chapter Chairman, officially inaugurated the seminar with a welcoming speech. CMA Prasanta Kumar Pani, Vice-Chairman, and CMA Lipu Panda, Chairman of the MDP Committee, concluded the event by offering a formal vote of thanks.

Glimpses of Eastern India Regional Council



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South Odisha Chapter



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NORTHERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

HARDWAR RISHIKESH CHAPTER

Webinar on GST Input Tax Credit

The Hardwar Rishikesh Chapter of Cost Accountants of India held a webinar on GST Input Tax Credit on May 18, 2025. CMA Anil Sharma was the guest speaker, discussing recent developments, opportunities, and challenges. The session also included an interactive O&A.

JAIPUR CHAPTER

Social Stock Exchange Awareness Program

The Jaipur Chapter of the ICMAI and the ICMAI Social Auditor Organisation hosted a Social Stock Exchange Awareness Program on June 6, 2025. Dr. Shyam Agrawal, Chairman RVO - ICMAI, and Ms. Subhashani from VANI were special guests. The program featured two technical sessions. Dr. S.K. Gupta, CEO of ICMAI-SAO, detailed the objectives, registration, and listing process for

social enterprises on the SSE. Following this, Ms. Harsha Ramnani, a Social Assessor, provided more details on the registration and listing process. The event also included a Q&A session and concluded with the distribution of certificates for a 50-hour valuation course. Over 25 NGOs participated in the program.

Social Welfare Activity

On June 8, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter, in partnership with the Smile Spreader Group, organized a social welfare activity at the State Cancer Hospital in Jaipur. Members and their families served fruits and other food items to cancer patients and their families.

International Yoga Day Celebration

On the morning of June 21, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter celebrated International Yoga Day with enthusiasm. Members, their families, and staff participated in a yoga session led by trainer CMA Ankita Singh. Attendees appreciated her knowledge

and passion for yoga.

Seminar on MSME

On June 28, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter held a seminar to celebrate International MSME Day. Speakers included Shri Mukesh Gurjar from NSIC, Shri Tarun Bhatnagar from the Ministry of MSME, and CS Sandeep Jain. They discussed NSIC support services, MSME schemes, and opportunities and challenges with MCA V-3, respectively. The seminar, which had over 50 attendees, was also addressed by CMA Rakesh Yadav, Secretary of NIRC.

Jaipur Chapter Honors Top CMA Foundation Students

On July 9, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter held a felicitation program to honor the top 10 students from the CMA Foundation Exam for the June 2025 term. The event, held at the chapter premises, was also attended by the students' parents.

The students received merit certificates from several key officials, including CMA Rakesh Yadav, Secretary of NIRC; CMA Purnima Goyal, Chairperson; CMA Deepak Kumar Khandelwal, Treasurer; and CMA Vertika Tadi, a member of the Management Committee. CMA P.D. Agarwal, Director of Coaching, was also present.

Inauguration of Industry-Oriented Training Program

On July 14, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter inaugurated a 10-Day Industry-Oriented Training Program for CMA Final students. The program was officially launched by CMA Purnima Goyal, Chairperson of the Jaipur Chapter.

Over 75 students attended the session, which was designed to inspire and motivate aspiring CMAs. CMA Rakesh Yadav, Secretary of NIRC, was also present to encourage the students. The program was conducted by CMA Harendra Kumar Pareek, Secretary of the Jaipur Chapter.

Valedictory Session of Industry-Oriented Training Program

The 10-day Industry-Oriented Training Program

concluded on July 24, 2025. The program, which ran from July 14, offered sessions on various topics, including Direct Tax, GST, Cost Control, and Presentation Skills. Students gained practical experience through mock group discussions and presentations.

The valedictory session was attended by Chief Guest CMA Dr. Geeta Sharma, General Manager at Steel Authority of India Ltd. During the ceremony, participants received certificates, and gold and silver medals were awarded to the winning teams. The best performers in Group Discussion and PowerPoint Presentation were also recognized. The program saw enthusiastic participation from over 80 students.

Seminar on the Cooperative Sector

On July 26, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter hosted a seminar on the Cooperative Sector. The event featured two keynote speakers: CMA S.L. Swami, retired Senior Manager of Taxation at Apex Cooperative Bank, and CMA Sunil Pamecha, Managing Director of Fingrowth Cooperative Bank Ltd.

They shared their expertise on the opportunities available for CMA professionals within the cooperative sector and the vital role of cooperatives in the Indian economy. The seminar, conducted by Chapter Secretary CMA Harendra Kumar Pareek, was well-attended, and participants appreciated the informative sessions and the chance to network with other members.

Career Counseling at Air Force School, Jaipur

On July 30, 2025, the Jaipur Chapter hosted a career counseling program at Air Force School, Jaipur. CMA Harendra Kumar Pareek, Secretary of the Jaipur Chapter, inspired and guided students on a future career as a Cost & Management Accountant (CMA). The session was also attended by the school's Principal, Ms. Seema Bhati, and was coordinated by CMA Neelam Gupta, HOD-ABST Commerce at the school. The program received an enthusiastic response from the students.

Glimpses of Northern India Regional Council



Hardwar Rishikesh Chapter



Jaipur Chapter



Jaipur Chapter



Jaipur Chapter



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SOUTHERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Workshop on Costing in the Service Sector

On May 10, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of the ICMAI hosted a one-day workshop titled "Costing in Service Sector." The event, held at the SIRC premises, focused on the theme "Strengthening Costing Frameworks: Solutions for Industry-Specific Challenges."

The workshop featured three technical sessions led by expert speakers, including a panel discussion moderated by CMA K Suryanarayanan. CMA P. Raju Iyer, former President of ICMAI, inaugurated the program, which was organized under the leadership of CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC. The event provided 4 CPE hours for participants and included the presence of several dignitaries, such as CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad, Vice President of ICMAI.

SIRC Organizes Taxation Summit

On May 17, 2025, the Corporate Training Committee of the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI hosted a one-day "Taxation Summit: Shaping the Future" at the SIRC premises. The event was honored by the presence of Chief Guest CMA Pooja Kulkarni, IAS, Special Secretary to the Government and CEO of the Tamilnadu Infrastructure Development Board (TIDB).

The summit featured sessions from distinguished experts, including Shri M. Dhinesh Kumar, Income Tax Officer, and Shri B. Senthilvelavan, IRS, Additional Commissioner of GST. Other speakers like Shri Baskaran Krishnamurthy and CMA Mohmd Rafi Syed provided insightful discussions on recent changes, including the Income Tax Bill 2025 and TDS & TCS under GST.

The program was led by CMA K. Gomathisankar, Treasurer of SIRC, and organized under the leadership of CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC. The summit offered 4 CPE hours for members and was attended by other key dignitaries, including CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad, Vice President of ICMAI.

SIRC Celebrates 66th CMA Foundation Day

On Saturday, June 7, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI celebrated its 66th CMA Foundation Day with a CMA Family Get-Together at the Ideal Beach Resort in Mahabalipuram. The event began at 3:30 PM and was attended by many members and their families.

The celebration featured addresses from key dignitaries, including CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC, and CMA T.C.A. Srinivasa Prasad, Vice President of ICMAI. They spoke about the achievements and importance of the CMA profession. The event also included various activities like music, dance, and games, promoting a sense of joy and unity among the CMA families.

Webinar on Industry 5.0 for CMAs

On June 10, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI held an online Professional Development (PD) webinar on the topic "Empowering CMAs for the Industry 5.0 Era." The guest speaker was CMA Dr. S. Vasudevan, a

Strategic Management Consultant from Chennai, who provided insights into the changing role of CMAs in the era of Industry 5.0. The webinar was presided over by CMA Girish Kambadaraya, Chairman of the PD Committee, with a special address from CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC. Members from across the region participated in the event.

SIRC Hosts CFO Meet in Hyderabad

On Saturday, June 14, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI successfully organized a "CFO Meet @ Hyderabad." The event was held at the Lemon Tree Premier, Hitec City, and was attended by several dignitaries.

Key attendees included CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad, Vice President of ICMAI, and Council Members CMA K. Ch. A. V. S. N. Murthy and CMA Vinayaranjan P. From SIRC, Chairman CMA Vishwanath Bhat, and other regional council members were present. The meeting was convened by CMA Vijay Kiran Agastya and co-convened by CMA Khaja Jalal Uddin, Chairman of the Hyderabad Chapter. The event emphasized the critical role of CMAs in business, with the motto: "Behind every successful business decision, there is always a CMA."

SIRC Organizes COSTPULSE & TAXCON Seminar

On June 21 and 22, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI, in collaboration with the Bengaluru and Mysuru Chapters, organized a two-day residential seminar. Titled "COSTPULSE & TAXCON – A Residential Program on Cost and Tax Management," the event was held at the Hotel Mayura Riverview in Srirangapatna, Karnataka.

The seminar was attended by 70 members and several key dignitaries, including CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC, and CMA M. Ashok Kumar, Chairman of the Mysuru Chapter. The event focused on topics related to cost and tax management.

SIRC Celebrates GST Day

On July 4, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI celebrated GST Day at Vani Mahal, Chennai. The event featured sessions on "GST - A Game Changer" and "GST - Latest Updates." The Chief Guest was Shri S. Nasser

Khan, IRS, Commissioner of GST & Central Excise, Chennai Outer.

Guest speakers included Shri R. Srivatsan, IRS, Deputy Director of NACIN, and CMA Mohmd. Rafi Syed, a GST Expert. The celebration was attended by several dignitaries, including CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad, Vice President of ICMAI, and CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC.

SIRC Hosts Educators' Conclave and Awards Ceremony

On July 14, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI organized the Educator's Conclave – 2025, an event focused on "Redefining Professional Education for Nurturing Strategic Thinkers." The conclave, held at the SIRC Premises, was followed by a Felicitation and Award Ceremony.

The Chief Guest was Swami Dhyanagamyananda, Secretary of RKM Vivekananda College. Sessions were led by speakers Shri P. Vasudevan and CMA Vijay Kiran Agastya, covering topics such as EdTech, collaborative learning, and ethics. A special ceremony was held to honor Principals and Senior HODs from the commerce stream. All attendees received participation certificates. The event was attended by several dignitaries, including former ICMAI President CMA P. Raju Iyer and SIRC Chairman CMA Vishwanath Bhat.

SIRC Hosts PD Meeting on Income Tax

On Saturday, July 19, 2025, the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICMAI organized a Professional Development (PD) Meeting at the SIRC Premises. The meeting focused on the topic "Navigating Income Tax Compliance and Reform: Insight into Current Practice and the Bill of 2025." The guest speakers were CMA V. Guruprasad, a Management Consultant, and CMA S. Sankaranarayanan, a Cost Accountant.

KOZHIKODE-MALAPPURAM CHAPTER

Two-Day Residential Income Tax Workshop

The Kozhikode-Malappuram Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI), in partnership with the Southern India Regional Council (SIRC), hosted a two-day residential Income Tax Refresher Workshop on July 12th and 13th, 2025. The event took place at the Vythiri Holiday Resort in Wayanad, offering participants a blend

of professional development and a scenic, relaxing environment.

CMA Praveen Kumar, Secretary of SIRC, inaugurated the workshop, stressing the need for continuous learning in taxation. CMA Syamly CM, Chairperson of the Kozhikode-Malappuram Chapter, welcomed attendees and highlighted the chapter's dedication to professional growth.

CMA Ajith Sivadas led the technical sessions, providing expert insights on recent changes and practical applications in Income Tax Law. Participants praised his clear, interactive, and relevant lectures. The workshop was considered a great success, effectively combining professional learning with networking and personal rejuvenation.

Professional Development Seminar

The Chapter conducted a Professional Development Seminar on "Startup Track and Innovation Corridor" on 14th June 2025 at KPM Tripenta Hotel, Calicut. The event was inaugurated by CMA Syamly C M, Chapter Chairperson, marking a significant leadership transition. Mr. Rony K Roy, Senior Technology Fellow at Kerala Startup Mission, led an engaging session on startup trends and innovation strategies. The seminar concluded with the vote of thanks by CMA Askarali P C, Managing Committee Member.

VISAKHAPATNAM CHAPTER

Professional Development Program on Income Tax Return Filing

The Chapter organized a professional development program on "Income Tax Return Filing for AY 2025-26 - Recent Changes and Key Considerations" on July 26, 2025. The session was held at the chapter's premises and was led by speaker CA Chudamani K, Manager - Direct Tax and Tax Litigation at Manohar Chowdhry & Associates, Visakhapatnam. The event was attended by CMA members, including Chairman VCCA, CMA U Lakshmana Rao, and Secretary, CMA N Venkatesh.

TIRUCHIRAPALLI CHAPTER

Professional Development Programme: Recent GST Amendments

The Tiruchirappalli Chapter of the Institute

of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI) held a Professional Development Programme on "Recent Amendments in GST – Updates till June 2025" on July 20, 2025.

The session was led by CMA Mohammad Rafi Syed, an expert in Indirect Taxation, who provided a comprehensive overview of the latest GST updates. He focused on practical guidance and the real-world implications of recent amendments. The program, organized by the Chapter's Management Committee, was a testament to ICMAI Tiruchirappalli's commitment to enhancing professional knowledge and excellence.

BENGALURU CHAPTER

Professional Forum (PF) Programme on "Social Stock Exchange & Emerging Professional Opportunities"

On July 5, 2025, the Bengaluru Chapter hosted a Professional Forum (PF) Programme focused on "Social Stock Exchange & Emerging Professional Opportunities."

The session was designed to provide insight into the evolving landscape of social finance and capital markets and the significant role of CMAs within it. The event featured CMA Vivek Mishra as a resource person.

Several key members were also in attendance, including CMA Raghavendra B K, Chairman of BCCA; CMA Poornima, Treasurer of BCCA; CMA G N Venkataraman, former President of ICMAI; and CMA Dr. Abhijeet S Jain, the immediate former Chairman of BCCA.

Professional Development Programmes

The Bengaluru Chapter conducted two significant professional development programs in July 2025. On July 7, 2025, the chapter hosted a session on the "Role of CMAs in Quality and Administrative Audit for Higher Educational Institutions." The program, led by speaker CMA Rakesh Shankar Ravisankar, highlighted the critical contributions of CMAs to governance and quality control within educational institutions. The event was attended by notable members, including CMA Raghavendra B K, Chairman of BCCA, CMA Gunamala S R, Vice Chairperson of BCCA, and CMA Vishwanath Bhat,

Chairman of SIRC.

On July 19, 2025, the chapter held another program focusing on the "Impact of MCA V3 Transition on Accounts & Audit." The session, led by speaker CMA CS Chandra Sekhar K, provided a comprehensive overview of the practical implications and compliance changes brought about by the MCA V3 portal for the accounting and audit processes. CMA Raghavendra B K, Chairman of BCCA, and CMA Gunamala S R, Vice Chairperson of BCCA, were present for this program as well.

Career Counselling Sessions

Two career counseling sessions were held to promote the CMA course. The first session took place on July 16, 2025, at MQI Degree College. The second session was conducted on July 22, 2025, at Bangalore City University, led by CMA Dr. Abhijeet S Jain, the Immediate Former Chairman.

GST Day Convention – July 12, 2025

A joint GST Day Convention was organized by the SIRC of ICMAI and the Bengaluru Chapter of ICMAI at FKCCI, Bengaluru. The event was attended by numerous dignitaries and experts.

The Chief Guests were Dr. Kotraswamy M, IRS, Commissioner, CGST Bengaluru North Commissionerate, and Shri Padmakar Kulkarni, Member of the Karnataka Appellate Tribunal.

Key participants included CMA Vishwanath Bhat, Chairman of SIRC; CMA Girish Kambadaraya, PD Chairman of SIRC; CMA G.N. Venkataraman, Former President of ICMAI; CMA Dr. Abhijeet S Jain, Immediate former Chairman of BCCA; CMA Raghavendra B K, Chairman of BCCA; CMA Gunamala S R, Vice Chairperson of BCCA; CMA Santosh G Kulburgi, Secretary of BCCA; and CMA Poornima M, Treasurer of BCCA.

The convention featured three technical sessions:

- 1. "Navigating the New Income Tax Landscape (2025 Bill & AY 2025-26)" by CMA K Gururaj Acharya.
- 2. "Departmental Audit Proceedings 2025" by CMA K S Kamalakara & CMA A Jatin Christopher.
- 3. "Resolving GST Litigation: Strategies and

Best Practices" by Shri G Shivadas, Senior Advocate.

GST Certification Course Inauguration

The GST Certification Course was officially inaugurated on July 18, 2025, at the Christ University (Bannerghatta Road Campus). The ceremony was attended by several senior dignitaries.

The course was inaugurated by CMA Vishwanath Bhat, SIRC Chairman, and CMA Raghavendra B K, Chairman of the Bengaluru Chapter.

COCHIN CHAPTER

International Cooperatives Week Celebration

The Cochin Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India celebrated International Cooperatives Week on July 6, 2025. The event was organized to raise awareness about the importance of cooperative values and their role in promoting inclusive and sustainable economic development.

The celebration was attended by Managing Committee members and Chapter staff. CMA Renjini R, the Chapter Chairperson, delivered a short talk on the 2025 theme. To further mark the occasion, a poster display and an awareness session were held on the Chapter premises.

Webinar Series: From Compliance to Competence

On July 5, 2025, the Cochin Chapter of ICMAI held the second session of its national webinar series, "From Compliance to Competence: Ind AS as a Strategic Enabler in Cost Auditing." The session was titled "Dual Lens of Valuation: Financial Accounting (Ind AS 2) vs. Cost Accounting (CAS 6)" and was attended by a diverse group of members, students, professionals, and faculty from all over India.

CMA Renjini R, the Chapter's Chairperson, opened the session, highlighting the growing importance of Indian Accounting Standards (Ind AS) and the series' goal of bridging the gap between compliance and strategic competence in cost auditing.

The main presentation was delivered by CMA

Ramsankar Mishra, Senior Manager (Finance) at MRPL. He provided an insightful look into the dual perspectives of inventory valuation under Ind AS 2 and CAS 6, emphasizing the strategic importance of aligning Indian standards with international frameworks.

The webinar concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Meena George, Chairperson of the PD Committee, who expressed gratitude to the speaker and all participants. The session was highly valued by attendees, reinforcing the Chapter's commitment to professional development.

Pre-Placement Orientation Programme for CMA's

The Cochin Chapter of ICMAI, in collaboration with all Kerala Chapters, hosted a Pre-Placement Training Programme on July 17, 2025, for recently qualified CMA candidates. The program's goal was to equip candidates with the skills needed to succeed in professional interviews and the corporate world.

The training was led by two renowned corporate trainers: Shri Shalu Muhammed, an expert in communication and leadership, and Mr. Sudeep Sebastian, who specializes in corporate grooming and personality enhancement. Both trainers provided engaging, interactive, and practical sessions.

The program covered a range of key areas, including resume building, interview skills, corporate etiquette, and confidence-building. The sessions were well-received, and participants found the interactive format and real-life examples highly beneficial for preparing them to transition into their careers. The Cochin Chapter thanked the trainers, partner chapters, and all participants for contributing to the program's success.

Campus Placement Drive for CMAs

On July 18, 2025, the Cochin Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, in collaboration with all Kerala Chapters, hosted a Campus Placement Drive at CMA Bhavan, Vyttila. The event was designed to connect recently qualified CMA professionals with leading organizations.

The drive saw strong participation from the

corporate sector, with prominent national and international firms, including Grant Thornton, Deloitte India LLP, Muthoot Finance Ltd., and Saint Gobain, among others. Out of 98 candidates who attended, 56 were either selected or shortlisted, highlighting the program's success.

The event was attended by several dignitaries, including CMA Simarjeet Chadha, Director of Career Counselling & Placement at ICMAI Headquarters, and CMA Praveen Kumar, Secretary of SIRC. CMA Renjini R, the Cochin Chapter Chairperson, led the coordination of the event and expressed gratitude to all the recruiters for providing valuable career opportunities. The chapter remains dedicated to improving career prospects for its members.

GST Symposium 2025

The Cochin Chapter of ICMAI hosted a one-day GST Symposium 2025 on July 25, 2025. The theme of the event was "GST @ 8: Strengthening Trust, Minimising Disputes, Maximising Compliance," bringing together experts and professionals to discuss the eight-year journey of the Goods and Services Tax.

CMA Renjini R, the Chapter Chairperson, gave the welcome address, and the event was formally inaugurated by Shri S. K. Rahman, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Central GST & Central Excise, Thiruvananthapuram Zone, with the traditional lighting of the lamp. Shri Rahman also delivered the inaugural speech, emphasizing the need for a more robust and transparent GST system. The inaugural session ended with a vote of thanks from CMA Arun Kumar S, the Chapter Secretary.

The symposium featured four technical sessions led by experts:

- "Reducing Tax Disputes through Effective Resolution Mechanisms" by Shri S. K. Rahman, IRS.
- "Input Tax Credit: Challenges to Avail" by CMA Anil Sharma.
- "Managing GST Litigation" by Adv. Shanmugham D Jayan.
- "GSTR-9 and 9C: Practical Insights for Annual GST Compliance" by CMA Anil

Sharma.

The symposium was well-received by all attendees, and the Cochin Chapter reaffirmed its commitment to providing such knowledge-sharing platforms for its members and the wider professional community.

TRIVANDRUM CHAPTER

GST Day Week Celebration

The ICMAI - Trivandrum Chapter celebrated the 8th anniversary of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) in India on July 6, 2025. The celebration included several sessions as part of GST Day week.

The event was inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Sri. Kiranlal P S, Joint Commissioner (Intelligence), State GST Department, Kerala. Other dignitaries present were Sri. Suresh S, Superintendent of the Central GST Dept; CMA Pranav Jayan, Chairman; CMA Rejeesh V S, Vice Chairman; CMA Prasanth Kumar M S, Treasurer; CMA Sarat Nair U, Professional Development Committee Chairman; and CMA Hima R S Nair, Students Welfare Committee Chairperson.

The following sessions were conducted:

- A technical session on "Recent Developments in GST – Legal Perspective" was led by Adv. Manoj Pillai, a practicing advocate in the Supreme Court and various High Courts.
- An expert talk on "ARISE" was given by Sri. Suneel George, Senior Physiotherapist at Wohl Physio.
- A GST Quiz program for students was conducted by CMA S S Thanu, a faculty member of the Trivandrum Chapter.

COIMBATORE CHAPTER

Professional Development Programme:"Recent Trends in GST"

On July 3, 2025, a professional development programme on "Recent Trends in GST" was held at CMA Bhavan, Coimbatore. The session was led by Shri P. A. Parameswaran, IRS (Retd.), who provided a practical and insightful presentation on a range of topics.

The discussion covered key legislative amendments, procedural updates, and issues such as e-invoicing, e-way bills, and ITC challenges with GSTR-2B reconciliation. He also addressed common filing errors in GSTR-1, 3B, and 9, and the implications of AI-driven scrutiny and audits under Sections 65/66. The program also touched upon recent judicial rulings, GSTN portal enhancements, and the sectoral impact on real estate, exports, and MSMEs.

Career Awareness Programmes

From July 3 to 9, 2025, a series of career orientation sessions were held to promote the CMA profession. These programs reached a large number of students at several colleges.

- Hindustan College: 700 students
- Government College of Arts and Science: 100 students
- PSG College: 200 students, with a second session on July 9 for another 700 students
- St. Joseph's College, Tirupur: 100 students

The sessions were led by CMA R. Maheswaran, CMA Subramaniam Kumar, and CMA R. Karthik.

Residential Cost Convention

The Karl Kübel Institute in Anaikatti hosted a two-day residential cost convention on July 5 and 6, 2025. The event was a blend of technical sessions, wellness activities, and family engagement.

Day 1 began with an inauguration by CMA Dr. R. Maheswaran and a keynote address by CMA Praveen Kumar. The day's technical session was on "Valuation under the Income Tax Act," delivered by CMA (Dr.) Gopalakrishna Raju.

Day 2 started with yoga and wellness sessions, followed by two more technical sessions:

- "Cost Optimisation vs. Cost Reduction" by CMA Chandrashekar Pichandi.
- "Cost Accounting in the IT Industry" by CMA Vijayaraghavan Srinevasan.

In parallel, games were organized for family members. The convention concluded with a valedictory session, participant feedback, and certificate distribution. Attendees praised the event for its successful combination of professional learning and personal relaxation.

Professional Development and Student Sessions

On July 12, 2025, a Professional Development Programme (PDP) on "IFRS – A Global Perspective" was held. CMA Hariharasubramanian A led an in-depth session on IFRS adoption, its comparison with Ind AS, and its global impact, including its effects on financial metrics and future trends like ESG reporting. The event concluded with a dinner and networking.

The chapter also hosted two sessions on July 14, 2025, with CS S. N. Ananthasubramanian. First, he conducted a Motivational Session for Students, sharing insights on time management, ethics, and career planning. Later that evening, he led a PDP on "Compliances under Companies Act, 2013" for professionals, focusing on the roles of CMAs in corporate compliance, including statutory filings and board meeting documentation.

Investor Awareness, Student Felicitation, and Cost Audit

On July 19, 2025, a session on "Introduction to Financial Planning" was led by Dr. S. Balusamy as part of an Investor Awareness Programme. He covered goal-based planning, asset classes, and protecting investments from fraud.

The chapter marked a significant milestone on July 21, 2025, with the inauguration of its 100th Intermediate Session. CMA Vijayaraghavan Srinevasan spoke on the importance of practical learning. On July 25, 2025, Chairman CMA R. Maheswaran felicitated 15 students who cleared the CMA Foundation at Sri Ramakrishna College for Women.

On July 26, 2025, CMA Uma Suresh led a detailed PDP on "Comprehensive Discussion on Cost Audit," covering practices, procedural compliance under CRA-4, and the evolving role of cost auditors. The same day, a Practitioners' Meet was held where practicing CMAs discussed legal amendments, audit standards, and shared professional experiences.

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PUNE CHAPTER

CPE on 'From Idea to Impact: Leveraging MSME & Start-up India for Start-up Funding'

The ICMAI-Pune Chapter organized a Continuing Professional Education (CPE) program on June 28, 2025, at CMA Bhawan, as part of MSME Month. The program, titled "From Idea to Impact: Leveraging MSME & Start-up India for Start-up Funding," featured CS Sushant Kulkarni as the speaker. The session was welcomed by CMA Rahul Chincholkar, Vice Chairman, and the speaker was felicitated by CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, Chairman. The lecture was well-attended, lucid, and informative.

8th GST Day Celebration

On July 4, 2025, the ICMAI-Pune Chapter celebrated the 8th GST Day at CMA Bhawan. The event was attended by Chief Guest Mrs. Vaishali Patange, Additional Commissioner, CGST, and Guest of Honour Shri Prakash Pote,



Trivandrum Chapter



Coimbatore Chapter

Joint Commissioner, SGST.

Mr. Atul Deodikar, Head of Corporate, Logistics & GST, Endurance Technologies, and CMA Dr. Sanjay Bhargave, a Practicing Cost Accountant, were the speakers. The program began with a welcome by CMA Tanuja Mantrawadi, Treasurer, and the lighting of the lamp. CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, Chairman, felicitated the chief guests, while CMA Chaitanya Mohrir, Treasurer, ICMAI-WIRC, felicitated the speakers.

CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli emphasized the crucial role of CMAs in the GST era. CMA Chaitanya Mohrir discussed the role of AI in GST. CMA Dr. Sanjay Bhargave recalled the efforts behind GST's introduction and implementation, explaining how it has increased government revenue. Mr. Atul Deodikar shared his experience supporting MSMEs during GST implementation and addressed participant queries. The event concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Rahul Chincholkar.

Webinar: Critical Analysis of Income Tax

The ICMAI-Pune Chapter hosted a webinar on "Critical analysis of Income Tax computation

under old and new tax regime" on July 9, 2025. The speaker, CMA Bhushan Rane, provided a detailed and informative analysis. The session was welcomed by CMA Rahul Chincholkar, Vice Chairman, and a felicitation was made by CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, Chairman. The webinar was well-attended by members.

Two-Day Residential Program: GST, Cost, and Tax Audit

The Pune Chapter organized a two-day residential program at Aaryans River Wood Resort on the theme "Emerging Trends in Taxation: Audit & Litigation." The event featured a range of speakers, including CMA Dr. Sanjay Bhargave, CMA Amit Apte, and CMA Neeraj Joshi, as well as panelists CA Sarvesh Khandelwal and CA Divyesh Tripathi. The program covered several topics, including GST case laws, cost audit, tax audit, and the interplay of different audits. The event saw 57 professionals from various cities, who praised the blend of professional learning and leisure activities. CMA Himanshu Dave, Secretary, delivered the vote of thanks.

Felicitation and Guidance Session for Foundation Students

A felicitation program and guidance session was held on July 19, 2025, for students who passed the CMA Foundation Examination. The event, aimed at boosting student confidence for the Intermediate exams, featured Chief Guest Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Guest of Honor CMA Vikas Mudgil, and Special Invitee CMA Chaitanya Mohrir. The Chairman, CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, discussed the chapter's support for students, and various speakers offered motivational and practical advice on preparing for exams and future career opportunities. The program concluded with a felicitation ceremony for successful students and a vote of thanks by CMA Himanshu Dave.

Seminar on Co-operative Societies Acts & Audit Practices

The ICMAI-Pune Chapter, in collaboration with the Sambhaji Nagar, Nashik, and Solapur Chapters, organized a three-day joint seminar on

"Co-operative Societies Acts & Audit Practices Process" from July 23 to July 25, 2025.

The first two days, July 23 and 24, were held online. The sessions covered the history of the cooperative movement, the Maharashtra Co-operative Societies Act, 1960, and the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002. Speakers included Dr. Pallavi Ingale, CA Manisha Damle, CMA Rahul Chincholkar, and CA Hrushikesh Chincholkar, who also discussed GST and Income Tax applicability for co-operative societies.

The final day, July 25, was an offline session at which CMA Rahul K. Dawkhar, Mr. Tanhaji Kawade, and CMA Rahul Chincholkar spoke on topics such as the auditing and reporting process for cooperatives, auditor empanelment, and practical approaches for NPA, CRR, and other financial ratios. The speakers were felicitated by CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, Chairman of the Pune Chapter, and CMA Salman Liyakatkha Pathan, Secretary of the Chatrapati Sambhajingar Chapter. The seminar was well-attended and provided valuable insights for members.

Welcome of Vice President CMA Neeraj Joshi

On July 23, 2025, the ICMAI-Pune Chapter extended a warm welcome to CMA Neeraj Joshi, who was elected as the Vice President of ICMAI for the year 2025-2026. He was elected alongside CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad, who became the President on July 22, 2025. The welcome ceremony was attended by several chapter members and dignitaries, including CMA Dr. Sanjay Bhargave, CMA Chaitanya Mohrir, and CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli. The chapter congratulated him on his new role and wished him a successful tenure.

Career Counselling Programs

Throughout July 2025, the ICMAI-Pune Chapter conducted several career counselling programs at various colleges to promote the CMA course. Sessions were held at:

- Bal Shikshan Mandir Auditorium (for Garware College students)
- St. Meeras College
- Modern College Warje
- Abeda Inamdar College

- Garware College (for 12th Commerce students)
- Modern College BBA Campus
- Mamasaheb Mohol College
- Kaveri College
- SNDT Arts and Commerce College for women

The sessions were led by a team of chapter members, including CMA Chaitanya Mohrir, CMA Nilesh Kekan, CMA Shrikant Ippalpalli, and CMA Amey Tikale, who explained the importance of the CMA course for a professional career.

NASHIK CHAPTER

Seminar on GST Impact on Real Estate Transactions

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants hosted a seminar on "GST Impact on Real Estate Transactions" on June 6, 2025, at the CMA Hall, Prasanna Arcade, Nashik. The session was conducted by CMA Chetan Bumb, an expert in indirect taxation, who provided an in-depth analysis of GST provisions related to construction services, joint development agreements, input tax credits, and other transitional issues within the real estate sector.

CMA Dhananjay Jadhav, Chairman of the Nashik Chapter, welcomed the speaker and all participants and also delivered the vote of thanks. The seminar was well-attended by CMA members, practitioners, and students.

Webinar: "CMA: Passport to Diverse Professional Frontiers"

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants hosted a webinar on June 14, 2025, titled "CMA: Passport to Diverse Professional Frontiers." The event featured CMA Manisha Agrawal, who shared her expert insights on the expanding career opportunities available to CMAs.

The session was inaugurated by CMA Dhananjay Jadhav, Chairman of the Nashik Chapter, who underscored the value of such platforms for inspiring members and students. CMA Agrawal highlighted the dynamic roles CMAs can take on in various fields, including finance, consulting, data analytics, and sustainability reporting. She

encouraged attendees to embrace continuous learning to stay relevant in a rapidly changing professional landscape.

The webinar concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Arifkhan Mansuri, who expressed gratitude to all participants and the organizing team. The event successfully showcased the Nashik Chapter's dedication to professional growth and knowledge enrichment for its members.

Seminar: "Transforming the CMA Journey with AI Innovations"

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants successfully hosted a seminar titled "Transforming the CMA Journey with AI Innovations" on June 21, 2025. The event, held at the CMA Hall in Nashik, featured CMA Harshad Deshpande as the distinguished speaker.

CMA Deshpande, an expert on the intersection of finance and technology, provided valuable insights into how AI is reshaping the field of cost and management accounting. He discussed the impact of AI tools on cost accounting, compliance, strategic planning, and decision-making.

CMA Navnath Gangurde welcomed the speaker on behalf of the chapter. The session was well-received by both members and students, leading to engaging discussions on how CMAs can adapt to and leverage these technological changes. The event concluded with an interactive Q&A session and a vote of thanks delivered by CMA Arifkhan Mansuri.

International Yoga Day Celebration

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants celebrated International Yoga Day with an event at the CMA Hall on June 21, 2025. The celebration was led by renowned yoga instructor Ms. Shweta Brahmankar.

The event was also attended by CMA Harshad Deshpande, Central Council Member (CCM), who honored Ms. Brahmankar for her valuable contribution to promoting health and well-being.

Tree Plantation Drive for World Environment Day

The Nashik Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI) organized a Tree Plantation Drive on World Environment Day, Saturday, June 7, 2025. The event took place at Pandavleni, Pathardi Phata, Nashik.

Led by Chapter Chairman CMA Dhananjay Jadhav, the drive saw enthusiastic participation from members and their families. Participants planted saplings and pledged to support a greener future. The ICMAI Nashik Chapter thanked everyone for their involvement and encouraged the community to join in making the planet cleaner and greener.

Seminar on Advanced Excel

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants organized a seminar on "Advanced Excel" on June 28, 2025. Held at the CMA Hall, the session was led by CMA Namita Nitin Kulkarni, a Manager at KSB Limited.

CMA Kulkarni guided participants through advanced Excel tools and functions, providing practical insights and techniques to enhance data analysis and handling efficiency. The seminar saw enthusiastic participation from CMA members, and the chapter expressed its commitment to offering continuous professional development opportunities.

Participation at Lokmat Career Education Fair

The Nashik Chapter of Cost Accountants took part in the Lokmat Career Education Fair held from June 13th to 15th, 2025, at Gurudakshina Hall in Nashik.

The chapter set up a stall to provide information about the Cost and Management Accountancy (CMA) course to students, parents, and career aspirants. Committee members and staff engaged with visitors, answered questions, and distributed brochures to highlight the curriculum, career opportunities, and the important role CMAs play in the financial sector. The initiative was part of an effort to guide students toward a rewarding professional career and help develop a skilled financial workforce.

Webinars

The Nashik Chapter hosted two webinars in July. On July 5, 2025, CMA Hrushikesh Shrotriya led a session on "Information of CMA AI Pravesh," providing insights into the platform's features and benefits to over 60 members and students. The program was chaired by CMA Dhananjay Jadhav and concluded with a vote of thanks by CMA Dipak Joshi. On July 12, 2025, CMA Swapnil Kharade conducted a webinar on "Investment Awareness," offering valuable insights on financial planning and wealth creation. The session was well-attended by CMA members and students.

Seminar on Decoding the Latest Ind AS **Amendments**

A seminar titled "Decoding the Latest Ind AS Amendments" was conducted on July 19, 2025, by CMA Harshada Prabhune. She provided a comprehensive overview of recent amendments to Indian Accounting Standards, emphasizing their role in improving financial transparency. The seminar began with a welcome address from CMA Amit Jadhav, Chairman-PD Committee, and concluded with a vote of thanks by CMA Surai Lahoti, Ex-chairman.

Career Awareness Programs

The chapter conducted several career awareness programs in July to promote the CMA course.

- July 16, 2025: At K.K. Wagh Arts Science and Commerce College, CMA Amit Jadhav introduced the CMA course, and CMA Prakash Nath Mishra discussed the profession's scope and opportunities.
- July 22, 2025: At MVP's Arts and Commerce College, Satpur, CMA Sunetra Ganesan delivered an engaging presentation to approximately 60-70 B.Com students.
- July 30, 2025: At SVKT College, Deolali, CMA Arifkhan Mansuri provided guidance on the CMA course to over 80 students.

Felicitation Program

On July 26, 2025, the Nashik Chapter held a felicitation program for students who passed the CMA Foundation Examination - June 2025. Chairman CMA Dhananjay Jadhav welcomed the students and parents. The Chief Guest, CMA Rajendra Shirsat, delivered a motivational speech, explaining the career opportunities offered by the CMA course.

BARODA CHAPTER

CPE Programme on MSME Insights and Gujarat Government Schemes

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India successfully hosted an online Continuing Professional Education (CPE) program on "MSME Insights and Gujarat Government Promotional Schemes" on Friday, June 27, 2025.

The session featured Shri Kishor Mori, Joint Commissioner – DIC, Vadodara, and CMA Paresh Thakkar. They provided valuable insights into the MSME sector and detailed various promotional schemes from the Gujarat Government.

CMA Priyank Vyas delivered the welcome address, and the program concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Hirav Shah. The event saw active participation from 47 professionals, who benefited from the knowledge-sharing session.

Live Screening of "Mann Ki Baat"

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, along with the Vadodara Chapters of WIRC of ICSI and ICAI, hosted a professional meet for the live screening of the "Mann Ki Baat" program on Sunday, June 29, 2025. The event was held at the Phoenix Complex in Vadodara.

Shri Dr. Jayprakash Soni, President, BJP Vadodara, was the Chief Guest. CMA Amruta Vyas, Chairperson of the Baroda Chapter, welcomed the guests and highlighted the program's inspirational value for professionals and citizens.

Over 125 professionals attended the live broadcast of the Prime Minister's address. The event concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Mohit Nagdev, who expressed gratitude to all who made the event a success.

CPE Programme on "Code of Ethics"

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India hosted an online CPE seminar on "Code of Ethics" on Saturday, July 5, 2025. The session was led by the distinguished speaker CMA IP (Dr.) Ashish Thatte, CCM – ICMAI.

The seminar focused on reinforcing the core principles of integrity, transparency, and professional conduct. Dr. Thatte shared valuable insights on how ethical practices build trust and

ensure accountability in the business world.

CMA Amruta Vyas delivered the welcome address, and CMA Mohit Nagdev gave the vote of thanks. The seminar saw a total of 76 members in attendance.

Foundation Exam Results - June 2025

The Institute of Cost Accountants of India announced the results for the June 2025 Foundation Examination on July 8, 2025. The Baroda Chapter proudly highlighted the exceptional performance of its students.

Top Performers from the Baroda Chapter:

- Rank 1: VADHER RAJ BHIMABHAI (326/400)
- Rank 2: ARYAN RAJESHBHAI PANCHAL (314/400)
- Rank 3 (tie): ASMA VALIKARIMWALA, JASANI HARSH MAHESHBHAI, VADHER DIPKUMAR KANTILAL (296/400)

The chapter also gave special recognition to Barot Neel Chintankumar, a student with a vision disability, who successfully passed the exam. His achievement serves as a powerful testament to his perseverance and the inclusive spirit of the CMA community.

The Baroda Chapter congratulated all the successful candidates and wished them a prosperous future.

Meeting with District Education Officer

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India recently met with District Education Officer (DEO) Shri Mahesh Pandey in Vadodara. The meeting was held to get permission for organizing Career Awareness Programs in schools throughout the 2025-26 academic year.

During the discussion, the chapter also proposed a Principals & Teachers Conclave to raise awareness about the CMA (Cost and Management Accountancy) course. Shri Mahesh Pandey appreciated the initiative and assured the chapter of his full support in facilitating these programs and the conclave. The Baroda Chapter expressed its gratitude for his encouragement and support.

Career Awareness Programs

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India successfully conducted a

series of Career Awareness Programs at several schools in Vadodara. The sessions were designed to introduce students to the CMA (Cost and Management Accountancy) course and the career opportunities available in finance and management.

The programs took place at:

- Ideal School
- Little Flower School (Haridham)
- Baroda High School (Daneshwar)
- H S Patel School

CMA Dhaval Shah represented the Baroda Chapter and led the sessions, providing students with valuable information on the course structure, career scope, and admission process. The chapter extended its thanks to the schools for their support in making the initiative a success.

Placement and Training Activities

The Baroda Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India organized various placement and training activities for its students and members. A large number of participants benefited from these initiatives.

AHMEDABAD CHAPTER

CEP: Celebrating GST Day

The ICMAI Ahmedabad Chapter celebrated GST Day with a Continuing Education Program (CEP) on July 1, 2025, at the chapter premises. Chapter Chairman CMA Mitesh Prajapati welcomed attendees and introduced the speakers.

The speakers included CMA Rajnish Tarpara and Adv. Samir Sidhhapuria from the industry and practicing professions, as well as CMA Hiren Limbachiya and CMA Archit Thakkar from the GST Department. All speakers gave detailed presentations on the subject, which was followed by an interactive session with the large number of participants.

The speakers were each felicitated with a memento:

- CMA Mitesh Prajapati presented a memento to CMA Rajnish Tarpara.
- CMA Ashish Bhavsar presented a memento to Adv. Samir Sidhhapuria.
- CMA Manish Analkat presented a memento to CMA Hiren Limbachiya.
- CMA Vinod Savalia presented a memento to

CMA Archit Thakkar.

CEP - SAP FICO Batch

The ICMAI Ahmedabad Chapter organized a specialized SAP FICO batch for its members to help them upskill in a highly sought-after financial software solution. The program ran from July 7 to July 21, 2025, at the chapter's premises.

The inauguration took place on July 7, with CMA H C Shah as the Chief Guest. Chapter Chairman CMA Mitesh Prajapati delivered the inaugural speech and felicitated the Chief Guest with a memento.

The sessions were led by faculty members CMA Reena Patadiya and Mr. Kuldeep Sisodiya, whose clear and engaging teaching style was highly praised by all participants.

Certificate in Accounting Technicians (CAT) Course

The Ahmedabad Chapter of ICMAI launched a new Certificate in Accounting Technicians (CAT) Course for retiring and retired defense personnel. The program, which runs from July 21 to November 7, 2025, had its inaugural session on July 24, 2025.

The inauguration was attended by notable guests, including Chief Guest CDR Rahil Rai, who was felicitated with a memento by Mr. Varun Joshi, Assistant Director of CAT. Mr. Joshi was also felicitated by CMA Sunil Tejwani, Secretary of the Ahmedabad Chapter.

Mr. Joshi gave a detailed presentation on the CAT course, while Chapter Chairman CMA Mitesh Prajapati and other dignitaries also addressed the participants. CMA Sunil Tejwani concluded the event with a vote of thanks.

Career Awareness Campaign

The Ahmedabad Chapter held a series of career awareness events throughout July 2025 to promote the CMA course.

- July 10: Visited Gujarat University to brief Deputy Registrar Dr. Paresh Prajapati. Also met with Dr. B.S. Agarwal, the principal of Rollwala Computer Center.
- July 19: Gave a lecture on the CMA course to students at H.K. BBA College, and briefed

Principal Mr. Nirav Shah.

 July 24: Briefed the principals of C.C. Sheth College of Commerce and Navgujarat Arts & Commerce College on the CMA course.

Oral Coaching Classes

Oral coaching batches for the Foundation and Intermediate courses for the December 2025 exams commenced on July 10, 2025.

Interactive Session on the CMA Course

On July 18, 2025, the Ahmedabad Chapter hosted an interactive session for students on the CMA course. The event featured CCM CMA Vinay Ranjan and was attended by Past President CMA Ashwin G. Dalwadi and Chapter Chairman CMA Mitesh Prajapati. Students had the opportunity to ask questions about the course, which were answered by CMA Vinay Ranjan and CMA Ashwin G. Dalwadi.

Press Meet on Foundation Exam Results

On July 8, 2025, a press meet was held at the Chapter premises to announce the results of the Foundation June 2025 Exam. Reporters from both electronic and print media attended to cover the results for publication in TV news and newspapers.

SURAT-SOUTH GUJARAT CHAPTER

Yoga Day Celebration

The Surat South Gujarat Chapter celebrated International Yoga Day on June 21, 2025, at the Chapter premises. The event, attended by Chairman CMA Kishor Vaghela, saw around 15 participants, including chapter staff, benefiting from the yoga session.

CPE & Workshop: "Scale Up Practice with AI Tools"

On June 22, 2025, the Surat South Gujarat Chapter hosted a CPE & Workshop on the theme "Scale Up Practice with AI tools." The event featured CA Joni Jain as the keynote speaker. Chapter Chairman CMA Kishor Vaghela and Hon. Secretary CMA Vipinkumar Patel felicitated the speaker. Approximately 20 participants attended the insightful session.

CPE & Workshop: "Unlocking Financial Wisdom"

On June 28, 2025, the Surat South Gujarat Chapter held a CPE and Workshop on "Unlocking Financial Wisdom." CMA Jaimin Sheth was the keynote speaker, delivering an insightful presentation to approximately 60 attendees, including professionals and students.

The event was attended by Chairman CMA Kishor Vaghela, Managing Committee Member CMA Mahesh Bhalala, and Member CMA Jitendra T. Parmar, who felicitated CMA Jaimin Sheth for his contribution.

GST Day: CPE & Workshop on Recent GST Changes

On July 1, 2025, the Surat South Gujarat Chapter celebrated GST Day by organizing a CPE & Workshop on "Recent changes and amendments under GST."

The keynote speaker was CMA Dr. Shailendra Saxena, Past Chairman of the Surat Chapter, who provided valuable insights and updates. The event was well-attended by around 80 participants, including CMA Nanty Shah (RCM-Hon. Secretary), CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman), CMA Vipinkumar Patel (Secretary), and CMA Deepali Lakdawala (Managing Committee Member).

The dignitaries felicitated CMA Dr. Saxena for his contribution. The workshop concluded with an interactive Q&A session.

Press Conference: Foundation June 2025 Term Results

On July 8, 2025, the Surat South Gujarat Chapter hosted a press conference at their campus to announce the results for the Foundation June 2025 term. The chapter reported a strong 78% result rate.

The press meet was attended by CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman), CMA Vipinkumar Patel (Secretary), and Managing Committee Members CMA Deepali Lakdawala and CMA Mahesh Bhalala. They congratulated all the students who passed and offered guidance for their future endeavors.

Workshop: "Data Analysis and Data Visualization using Microsoft Excel"

The Surat South Gujarat Chapter hosted a workshop on "Data Analysis and Data Visualization using Microsoft Excel" on July 16, 2025. Ms. Dhvanika Shah was the keynote speaker, providing attendees with practical, hands-on techniques. Chapter Chairman CMA Kishor Vaghela felicitated Ms. Shah. The session was attended by approximately 90 participants.

Workshop: "Zero to Hero Power BI Dashboards in a Day"

On July 19, 2025, the Surat South Gujarat Chapter hosted a workshop titled "Zero to Hero Power BI Dashboards In a Day." The session, led by keynote speaker CMA Keyur Doshi, focused on using Power BI tools and Microsoft Excel for data analysis and visualization.

Hon. Secretary CMA Vipinkumar Patel felicitated CMA Keyur Doshi. The workshop saw an enthusiastic response, with about 100 participants gaining practical skills from the interactive session.

NAVI MUMBAI CHAPTER

CPE Report: Navi Mumbai Full-Day Seminar

On June 29, 2025, the Institute of Cost Accountants of India Navi Mumbai Chapter hosted a full-day seminar at the Konkan Railway Executive Club in Navi Mumbai.

The event was inaugurated by Chief Guest CMA Rajesh Bhadang, Director Finance, and Shri Sunil Gupta, IRTS, Director Operation of Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd. Also present were CMA Vivek Bhalerao (RCM), Mr. Mathew Philip (Executive Director, Konkan Railway), and CMA Debasish Mitra (Ex-CCM), along with members of the Navi Mumbai chapter's managing committee.

CMA Arup Bagui, Secretary and PD Committee Chairman of the Navi Mumbai Chapter, delivered the welcome address. CMA Rajesh Bhadang emphasized the importance of CMAs in the industry, while Shri Sunil Gupta highlighted the role of Cost Accountants in operational decision-making through data analytics.

The first session, "Significance of Soft Skills

in Internal Audit," was led by CMA Prabhakar Mukhopadhyay and CA Mani Madhukar, who discussed the importance of trust, communication, and integrity for auditors. The second session, "Contract Risk Management for Cost and Compliance Professional," was presented by Sr. Advocate Atul Khadse, focusing on risk identification and management tools. Both sessions were concluded by CMA Nilmoni Bhakta (Chairman) and CMA Vaidyanatha (Ex-Chairman) of the Chapter.

The seminar was highly praised by all dignitaries. Over 65 members and 20 students attended, making it a significant event. CMA Manoj Panda delivered the vote of thanks, concluding the seminar.

CPE Report: "Financial Controlling under Uncertainties" Webinar

On Sunday, May 4, 2025, the Institute of Cost Accountants of India Navi Mumbai Chapter hosted an online webinar titled "Financial Controlling under Uncertainties (Risk Identification & Mitigation)."

CMA Arup Bagui, Chairman of the PD Committee, welcomed the speaker, CMA Sumeet Dinesh Madwaikar, Head of Commercial Operation at Galaxy Group. CAM Sushant Ghadge introduced the speaker, who discussed the importance of value analysis, value addition, and 3D navigation.

The webinar was attended by over 40 members and 10 students. CMA Nilmoni Bhakta concluded the event with a vote of thanks.

PIMPRI CHINCHWAD CHAPTER

Lighting the Path Ahead: Career Counseling Session

On June 1, 2025, the ICMAI – Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter hosted a career counseling program at Yamuna Nagar, Nigdi. The session was designed to help 10th and 12th-grade students explore various professional paths, including the CMA course.

The event was organized under the leadership of Sau. Sulabha Ubale and Shri. Ajinkya Ubale. CMA Ajit Shinde, Chairman of the Pimpri-Chinchwad Chapter, and CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, were also in attendance. They delivered motivational talks

on career planning and the benefits of a career in Cost and Management Accountancy.

Students actively participated, asking questions and clarifying their doubts. The Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter remains committed to empowering students with the knowledge and direction needed for a successful career.

CPE Seminar: "Visualize to Realize: Tableau for Smart Decision-Making"

On Sunday, June 8, 2025, the ICMAI – Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter hosted a CPE seminar on "Visualize to Realize: Tableau for Smart Decision-Making" at CMA Bhawan.

CMA Sagar Prakash Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, welcomed the attendees and introduced the speaker, CMA Pooja Auti, a practicing Cost Accountant and data analytics expert.

CMA Auti's presentation focused on the growing importance of data visualization for strategic decision-making. She demonstrated how Tableau can be used to create interactive dashboards, helping professionals make data-driven decisions. The session included live demonstrations, discussions on integrating Tableau into cost accounting, and insights on using visual storytelling for communication.

The event saw active participation from members, professionals, and students. CMA Ajit Shinde, Chairman of the Pimpri-Chinchwad Chapter, concluded the program with a vote of thanks.

CPE Seminar: "Beyond Numbers: CMA's Role in Driving Performance Excellence"

On June 14, 2025, the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter of ICMAI hosted a CPE seminar titled "Beyond Numbers: CMA's Role in Driving Performance Excellence" at CMA Bhawan.

CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, opened the session by introducing the speaker, CMA Ajay G. Paralikar, a Practicing Cost Accountant. CMA Malpure highlighted the expanding role of CMAs in organizational growth and performance.

CMA Paralikar's presentation focused on a holistic approach to performance management.

He explained how a well-structured system can help organizations plan, monitor, and evaluate performance to achieve better synchronization and resource utilization. He also discussed how these systems benefit both management and employees by promoting transparency and setting clear targets.

Furthermore, CMA Paralikar covered implementation methods, variable pay calculations, and the importance of integrating qualitative factors like morale and teamwork. He emphasized the crucial role CMAs play in supporting management through cost-benefit evaluations and monitoring performance.

The session was highly interactive, with active participation from members, professionals, and students. The program concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Balkrishna Hajare, Vice Chairman of the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter.

CPE Seminar: "Decoding Brand Value: Measuring Intangibles in an Unpredictable World"

On June 21, 2025, the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter of ICMAI hosted a CPE seminar titled "Decoding Brand Value: Measuring Intangibles in an Unpredictable World" at CMA Bhawan.

CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, opened the session by introducing the speaker, CMA Ashish Deshmukh, a Practicing Cost Accountant. He emphasized the growing importance of intangible assets and the role of CMAs in their valuation.

CMA Ashish Deshmukh delivered an informative presentation on brand valuation, covering foundational concepts such as brand equity and identity. He discussed the rationale for brand valuation in various scenarios, including financial reporting, mergers and acquisitions, and tax planning. He detailed the three primary valuation approaches:

- Market Approach: Using comparable market transactions.
- Income Approach: Including methods like Relief from Royalty and Multi-Period Excess Earnings.
- Cost Approach: Covering both Reproduction and Replacement Cost Methods.

The speaker also provided practical insights on valuation steps, such as determining royalty rates and estimating future income. The session was highly interactive, with participants actively engaging in discussions.

CMA Dhananjay Kumar Vatsyayan, Purchase Committee Chairman of the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, concluded the program with a vote of thanks, appreciating CMA Ashish Deshmukh and all attendees for their participation.

CPE Webinar: "SME Listing – Emerging Opportunity for CMAs"

On June 27, 2025, the ICMAI Pimpri Chinchwad and Nashik Chapters jointly hosted an online webinar on "SME Listing - Emerging Opportunity for CMAs."

CMA Jayant Hampiholi, Past Chairman of the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, opened the session, emphasizing the growing relevance of capital markets for SMEs. CMA Amit Jadhav, Chairman of the Nashik Chapter's Professional Development Committee, introduced the keynote speaker, CMA Amar Kakaria, Director at Navigant Corporate Advisors Ltd.

CMA Kakaria provided a comprehensive overview of SME listing, highlighting the surge in SME IPOs and the opportunities for CMAs in this space. He covered key topics, including:

- The benefits of listing for SMEs, such as improved brand equity and access to capital.
- A detailed walkthrough of the listing process, including eligibility criteria and SEBI regulations.
- Insights into recent changes in listing norms, such as stricter profitability benchmarks and enhanced disclosure requirements.
- The potential for CMAs in regulatory compliance, valuation, and strategic advisory for SMEs.

Following the presentation, a panel discussion titled "Strengthening Entrepreneurial Ecosystems through CMA Insight" was held with CMA Milind Kasodekar, CMA Unmesh Narvekar, and CMA Amar Kakaria. They discussed regulatory compliance, funding strategies, and the role of CMAs in supporting the MSME sector.

The webinar concluded with a vote of thanks from CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter. The event saw enthusiastic participation from members and students from both chapters.

CPE Webinar: "From Survival to Scale: Can MSMEs Become the Next Unicorns?"

On June 28, 2025, the ICMAI Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, in association with the MSME and Start-up Promotion Board of ICMAI, hosted a CPE program at CMA Bhawan. The event focused on the theme "From Survival to Scale: Can MSMEs Become the Next Unicorns?"

CMA Ajit Shinde, Chairman of the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, opened the session, welcoming attendees and highlighting the relevance of the topic to India's entrepreneurial ecosystem.

The event featured two insightful addresses:

- Mr. Vijay Dhage, Founder and Managing Director of WinExt Polytech Pvt. Ltd., shared his company's journey from a startup to a leading industry player, crediting the support of cost and management professionals in their financial planning.
- CMA Sanjay Jakhotiya, Founder and Owner of Hometech Kitchen Appliances, provided a technical perspective on the financial challenges faced by MSMEs and explained how CMAs can help by providing structured financial planning, MIS systems, and cost controls.

The session was well-received by members, entrepreneurs, and students, who appreciated the blend of practical business insights and professional financial strategies. CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, delivered the vote of thanks. The program concluded with a networking dinner.

CPE Webinar: "GST Tribunal: Empowering Appeals, Enabling Resolution"

On June 30, 2025, the ICMAI Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, in collaboration with the Maharashtra Tax Practitioners' Association (MTPA), launched the "GST Gyan Yatra: A 7-Day Strategic Immersion" series with a webinar on "GST Tribunal:

Empowering Appeals, Enabling Resolution."

CMA Ajit Shinde, Chairman of the Pimpri Chinchwad Chapter, introduced the series and the speaker, CMA Prakash Rijhwani, a Cost Accountant and Editor of Klickon GST World.

CMA Rijhwani's presentation provided a detailed overview of the GST appellate structure, including:

- Legal provisions for filing appeals under Sections 107 and 112 of the CGST Act.
- The composition and powers of the GST

Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT).

• Appeal procedures, pre-deposit requirements, and key updates from the GST Appellate Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 2025.

The session, which included an interactive Q&A, received an overwhelming response from professionals, tax practitioners, and students. CMA Sagar Malpure, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, concluded the event with a vote of thanks.

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