

NEWS FROM THE INSTITUTE

EASTERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Teacher's Day Celebration

The ICAI-EIRC celebrated **Teacher's Day** on **September 5, 2025**, at its premises. The event featured attendance from key figures including CMA Abhijit Dutta, Secretary, and CMA Chittaranjan Chattopadhyay, Council Member, along with virtual participation by CMA Arati Ganguly, Chairperson. Guest faculties, students, and staff also contributed to the memorable occasion.

EIRC & Chapters Interaction Session

An **Interaction Session** for EIRC and Chapter Representatives was held on **September 7, 2025**, to discuss strengthening membership, increasing student enrollment, enhancing branding, and improving the Institute and the CMA profession. The meeting was welcomed by CMA Damodar Mishra, Vice Chairman, and saw interactions with Chapter representatives by CMA Arati Ganguly, CMA Chittaranjan Chattopadhyay, and CMA Avijit Goswami.

CPE Programme: ESG & Forensic Audit

A Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Programme on “**ESG & Forensic Audit: Role of CMAs in Strengthening Corporate Accountability & Sustainable Governance**” took place on **September 13, 2025**, at the EIRC Auditorium. Resource Persons included CMA Kallol Mitra and CMA Alope Kumar Bardhan. The event, attended by over **50 CMA Members**, emphasized the CMA's pivotal role in corporate accountability and sustainable governance.

Viswakarma Puja Celebration

Sri Sri Viswakarma Puja was celebrated with devotion at the ICAI-EIRC premises on **September 17, 2025**. Attendees included CMA Arati Ganguly, CMA Abhijit Dutta, CMA Bidyadhar Prasad, CMA Subhasish Chakraborty, and staff.

CPE Programme: GST Changes & CMAs

Another **CPE Programme** was organized on **September 19, 2025**, focusing on “**Navigating**

Recent Changes in GST: Strategic Role of CMAs in Ensuring Compliance and Value Creation” at J N Bose Auditorium. Shri Vikram Wani, GST Commissioner, was the Chief Guest. CMA Sourav Chakraborty, CMA Pulak Saha, and CMA Sandip Chatterjee served as Resource Persons. The session, with about **100 CMA members** participating, highlighted the CMA's strategic role in GST compliance.

Career Awareness Programmes

The ICAI-EIRC conducted two **Career Awareness Programmes** on **September 22, 2025**:

- ⊙ **Narasinha Dutt College:** CMA Pratap Kumar Chakraborty spoke about the CMA course to over **80 students**.
- ⊙ **St. Augustine's Day School:** CMA Dr. Subrato Mukherjee provided information on career opportunities through the CMA course to more than **70 students**.

Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)

The ICAI-EIRC, in association with the Career Counselling & Placement Directorate of ICAI, successfully conducted the **Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)** for CMAs who qualified in the June 2025 term. This intensive **12-day Advanced Soft Skills Training Programme** was organized in two batches to fulfill responsibilities assigned by the Directorate. Batch 1 was held at the J. N. Bose Auditorium, Kolkata, and Batch 2 took place at the EIRC premises. A total of **210 young CMAs** participated, with the training specifically designed to enhance their soft skills and prepare them for upcoming campus placement interviews. A highlight of the program was a special **motivational session** arranged by ICAI-EIRC on September 10, 2025, at the J. N. Bose Auditorium. The session featured an address to the young CMAs by **Dr. Deepak Vohra**, a distinguished former Indian Foreign Service officer and Ambassador, in the presence of CMA TCA Srinivasa Prasad (President, ICAI), CMA Chittaranjan Chattopadhyay (Council Member, ICAI), and CMA Arati Ganguly (Chairperson, ICAI). The program concluded

with a grand **Valedictory-cum-Certificate Distribution Ceremony** for each batch at the J. N. Bose Auditorium, held on September 18, 2025, for Batch 1 and September 25, 2025, for Batch 2.

Swachhata Hi Sewa Cleanliness Drive

As part of the **Swachhata Hi Sewa (SHS) – 2025** campaign, a comprehensive **cleanliness drive** was undertaken at the ICAI-EIRC premises and surrounding areas on **September 26 & 27, 2025**. CMA Abhijit Dutta, staff, and outsourcing personnel enthusiastically participated.

BHUBANESWAR CHAPTER

CMA Career Awareness Drive

The ICAI Bhubaneswar Chapter held a robust series of **CMA Career Awareness Programmes** throughout September 2025, reaching over 1,000 students and faculties across various institutions. Senior Chapter members like CMA Sarat Kumar Behera, CMA Avinash Kotni, and CMA Nilamani Mohapatra highlighted career opportunities and curriculum details of the CMA course. Key sessions were conducted at:

- ⊙ **Centurion University of Technology & Management** (Sept 4th)
- ⊙ **Rajdhani College** (Sept 8th)
- ⊙ **UGS Sakhigopal College** (Sept 11th)
- ⊙ **Kendriya Vidyalaya -3, Mancheswar** (Sept 12th)
- ⊙ **Samanta Chandra Sekhar (A) College, Puri** (Sept 23rd)
- ⊙ **Allied Commerce, Puri** (Sept 23rd)
- ⊙ **Mother's Public School, Bhubaneswar** (Sept 25th)
- ⊙ **Prananath (Autonomous) College, Khordha** (Sept 26th)

Professional Training, Placement, and Skill Enhancement

The Chapter successfully executed key professional development initiatives:

- ⊙ **Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP):** A 12-day ASTP for 60 qualified CMAs of the June 2025 term was conducted

from **September 10th to 21st**. The comprehensive program covered technical skills like **GST, IND AS, Data Science/AI tools**, and soft skills, including mock interviews and business etiquette, preparing young professionals for campus placements.

- ⊙ **Campus Interview:** On **September 12th**, a campus interview was held at CMA Bhawan for **NALCO Ltd.** to select Qualified Intermediate Accounts Trainees (QIATs). Out of 40 Intermediate qualified CMA students, **7 candidates** were selected for a two-year traineeship.

Seminar and Study Circle on GST Reforms

The Chapter focused on staying current with tax reforms:

- ⊙ **GST Seminar:** A seminar on “**GST 2.0 with Next-Generation Reforms**” was successfully organized on **September 18th**. It featured experts including Shri Nihar Ranjan Nayak (Addl. Commissioner, State CT & GST) and CMA Shiba Prasad Padhi (Resource Person). Over 100 members from industry and practice participated, gaining practical clarity on the evolving GST framework.
- ⊙ **Study Circle Meet:** The monthly Study Circle Meeting on **September 27th** continued the focus on the **Impact of GST 2.0**, facilitating in-depth discussion among members.

Teachers' Day and Social Initiative

- ⊙ **Teachers' Day:** The Chapter celebrated **Teachers' Day** on **September 5th** at CMA Bhawan with great reverence. Students paid tribute to their mentors, who offered blessings and valuable thoughts, reinforcing the spirit of gratitude and admiration for their guiding role.
- ⊙ **Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2025:** The Chapter actively participated in the **SHS-2025 campaign** (September 17th – October 2nd), undertaking various activities such as cleaning garbage spots, felicitating sanitation workers, and engaging in plantation to promote cleanliness and hygiene.

Glimpses of Eastern India Regional Council



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Bhubaneswar Chapter



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NORTHERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

Startup 2 SME IPO: Role of CMAs Seminar

The Northern India Regional Council (NIRC) successfully hosted a seminar titled "Startup 2 SME IPO: Role of CMAs" on August 29, 2025, at CMA Bhawan, New Delhi. The event featured a keynote address by CMA Pankaj Jain, Founder of Jain Ventures, who provided valuable insights into the transition of startups into SMEs and their subsequent navigation of the Initial Public Offering (IPO) landscape. He stressed the critical role of CMAs in guiding these businesses through essential processes like financial planning, valuation, compliance, and investor readiness. The seminar was well-attended by professionals and aspiring practitioners, underscoring the increasing importance of Cost and Management Accountants in India's growing economy. The event was coordinated by CMA S.N. Mittal (RCM) and

graced by the NIRC office bearers, including CMA Rakesh Yadav (Chairman), CMA Manish Kandpal (Vice Chairman), and others.

JAIPUR CHAPTER

Inauguration of Advanced Skill Training Program (ASTP)

The Jaipur Chapter inaugurated its 12-day Advanced Skill Training Program (ASTP) on September 8, 2025, for more than 140 candidates who qualified in the CMA Final examination (June 2025). This training is designed to prepare the students for the upcoming campus placement drive.

The inauguration was graced by CMA Karan Singh Kumawat, VP-Accounts & Finance, GA Infra Ltd., as the Chief Guest, along with CMA Rakesh Yadav (Chairman, NIRC) and CMA Madhuri Kashyap (Treasurer, NIRC) as Guests of Honour.

In their addresses, the dignitaries shared

professional experiences, emphasizing that sincerity, discipline, hard work, and dedication are the keys to a successful career. Chapter Chairperson CMA Purnima Goyal motivated the budding CMAs to make the most of this training opportunity. The entire program was efficiently conducted by CMA P.D. Agrawal, Director of Coaching for the Chapter.

Advanced Skill Training Program: Session on Career Take-Off

On September 11, 2025, the Advanced Skill Training Program for CMA Qualified students featured an inspiring session on "Career Take-off" from an HR perspective. The guest speaker was Mrs. Sonal Upadhyay, Vice President – Human Resource, Pratham Software Pvt. Ltd., an accomplished HR leader with over 25 years of experience in the Software and Healthcare industries.

Mrs. Upadhyay, recognized among the 50 Most Influential HR Tech Leaders at the World HRD Congress, shared valuable guidance with the young professionals. Her session focused on how to align skills, mindset, and opportunities to accelerate their career journeys. She inspired participants to approach their professional growth with confidence, adaptability, and a crucial people-first approach.

Closing Ceremony of DGR CAT Course

The Jaipur Chapter successfully held the Closing Ceremony for the Certificate in Accounting Technicians (CAT) course under the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare (DGR), Ministry of Defence.

Col. Nitin Bhikane, Colonel Aviation, presided over the event as the Chief Guest. The ceremony was attended by numerous dignitaries, including CMA Rajendra Singh Bhati (ICMAI CAT Chairman), CMA Rakesh Yadav (NIRC Chairman), and Jaipur Chapter office bearers like CMA Purnima Goyal (Chairperson) and CMA Deepanshu Parekh (Vice Chairman). The program, conducted by CAT HOD CMA R.K. Jain, celebrated the successful completion of the course. During the event, faculty members were felicitated, and certificates were distributed to the Defence personnel who completed the training.

Seminar and Felicitation Program on "Role of CMA in Construction Industry"

The Jaipur Chapter organized a seminar on the "Role of CMA in Construction Industry" on September 13, 2025.

The seminar featured CMA M.C. Bansal, Sr. Executive Director (Finance) at NBCC (India) Ltd., as the keynote speaker, who shared valuable insights on the critical function of Cost and Management Accountants in the construction sector.

Immediately following the seminar, a Felicitation Program was held to honour visiting dignitaries. Those felicitated included CMA R.S. Bhati (Central Council Member), CMA Rakesh Yadav (NIRC Chairman), CMA Manish Kandpal (Vice-Chairman, NIRC), CMA Madhuri Kashyap (Treasurer, NIRC), and Regional Council Members CMA Santosh Pant, CMA S.N. Mittal, & CMA Jeevan Chandra. All dignitaries praised the Chapter's program and assured their continued full support. The event was conducted by CMA Dr. Deepak Kumar Khandelwal, Treasurer of the Jaipur Chapter.

Valedictory Session and Convocation for Advanced Skill Training Program

The Jaipur Chapter concluded its 12-day Advanced Skill Training Program (ASTP) for 144 successful CMA Final qualified students (June 2025 batch) with a joint Valedictory Session and Convocation Ceremony on September 20, 2025.

The intensive ASTP was specifically designed to bridge the gap between academic knowledge and industry demands, covering essential practical knowledge and real-world insights through sessions led by field experts. The training included practical exercises such as group discussions, PPT presentations, and mock interviews, with gold and silver medals awarded to top performers.

The concluding event featured Shri Satish Kumar Garg, Principal Accountant General (Audit-I) Rajasthan, Jaipur, as the Chief Guest. During the Convocation Ceremony, Certificates were distributed to over 140 budding CMAs. The program was conducted by CMA Harendra Kumar Pareek (Secretary, Jaipur Chapter) and attended by NIRC and Chapter dignitaries, including CMA Rakesh Yadav (Chairman, NIRC) and CMA S.N. Mittal (RCM, NIRC).

Students' Picnic and Industrial Visit

The Jaipur Chapter organized a combined Students' Picnic and Industrial Visit on September 27, 2025, providing students with both recreational enjoyment and practical

The first half of the day featured a fun-filled picnic at Apni Dhani. Highlights included:

- ⊙ Captivating performances by talented students.
- ⊙ Felicitation of dedicated faculty members.
- ⊙ Fun-filled games and activities.
- ⊙ Enjoyment of a refreshing pool time and a

delicious lunch.

In the second half, students visited two renowned industries to gain hands-on exposure to real-world industrial environments:

1. PEE TEE TURNERS LTD: Students gained practical insights into the manufacturing process of PE Rings.
2. FARMKING INDIA: Students explored the world of agricultural machinery and technology.

The visit offered a fantastic opportunity for students to witness various industrial processes and enhance their practical knowledge.

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SOUTHERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL

RANIPET-VELLORE CHAPTER

Preventive Healthcare and Stress Management Seminar

The Ranipet Vellore Chapter successfully hosted a seminar on “Preventive Healthcare and Stress Management for Costing Professionals.” Dr. A.

Rajalakshmi, MD (Psychiatry), Assistant Professor at Government Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, presented the session, which was attended by **32 participants**, including members, professionals, and students. The program, which began with a welcome address by Mr. Sudarshan K. and concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Afreen Kouser A., focused on the critical link between health and mental well-being for costing professionals. Dr. Rajalakshmi

discussed common issues like **stress, burnout, and decision fatigue**, offering practical solutions such as **mindfulness, healthy habits, and digital balance**. The interactive session was highly engaging, providing attendees with simple, actionable ideas for improving their personal health and professional lives.

VISAKHAPATNAM CHAPTER

“Know Your Mind” Workshop

The Chapter successfully organized a “**Workshop: Know Your Mind**” at its premises on **September 28, 2025**. The session was led by **CA Harshita Jain**, an **Art of Living Faculty** with 15 years of experience as a Life Coach. The program saw the attendance of CMA Members and Students, alongside Chapter dignitaries: **CMA U Lakshmana Rao** (Chairman, VCCA), **CMA N Venkatesh** (Secretary), and **G Ramalinga Reddy** (Vice-Chairman).

Professional Development Programme on GST

A **Professional Development Programme** on “**GST 2.0: From Transition to Transformation**” was organized by the Chapter on **September 27, 2025**, at its premises. The speaker for this insightful session was **CA, CMA Jagadeesh Kumar Balina**, a Practicing Chartered Accountant from Visakhapatnam. The event was attended by CMA Members, with **CMA U Lakshmana Rao** (Chairman, VCCA) and **CMA N Venkatesh** (Secretary) also gracing the occasion.

THRISSUR CHAPTER

Advanced Skill Training and Convocation Ceremony in Thrissur

The **Thrissur Chapter** successfully conducted an **11-day Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)** for 205 newly qualified CMAs from the June 2025 term, running from **September 12 to 22, 2025**. The programme, supported by the Directorate of Career Counselling & Placement, ICAI, featured **20 experienced industry faculties** across two batches, receiving excellent feedback from the participants. A highlight of the training was the visit of **CMA T C A Srinivasa Prasad**, President of ICAI, who addressed the newly qualified CMAs on September 14.

Grand Convocation Ceremony

The training culminated in a **Grand Convocation**

Ceremony on September 22, 2025, at the Regional Theatre, Thrissur, to honor the **205 newly qualified CMAs**. The event, attended by approximately **1000 participants**, including the CMAs and their parents, was inaugurated by **CMA Vijay Kiran Agastya**, Chairman of SIRC of ICAI. The ceremony featured a welcome address by **CMA P V Antony**, Chairman, and a Presidential Address by **CMA Praveen Kumar**, Chairman of SIRC PD Committee. Dignitaries from various Chapters, including Past SIRC Chairmen and Chairpersons from nearby Chapters, graced the occasion. Mementos and ASTP participation certificates were awarded to the newly qualified CMAs, followed by a Vote of Thanks delivered by **CMA Sreepriya K**, Immediate Past Chairperson of the Thrissur Chapter.

COIMBATORE CHAPTER

On August 2, the **Capacity Enhancement Programme (CEP)** for Satellite Centre faculties saw **CMA Vijayaraghavan Srinevasan** and **CMA Rakesh Shankar Ravi Sankar** deliver sessions on **leadership, communication, modern teaching tools** like flipped classrooms, and **stress management** to about 25 participants. Concurrently, a **Professional Development Programme (PDP)** on “**Internal Audit: Scope for CMAs**” featured **Mr. G. Balasubramaniam**, who detailed the internal audit frameworks under the Companies Act, SEBI, and FEMA. The chapter also conducted a PDP on “**Stress Management for Professionals**” (August 9) and observed **Independence Day** with a flag hoisting and a Study Circle on “**Process Costing**” (August 15). Student outreach included an **Orientation Programme** at Shri Nehru Maha Vidyalaya (August 7) and a **Career Awareness Programme** at Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya (August 28).

COSMAFEST 2025 and Other PDPs

The Chapter’s flagship regional-level student talent fest, **COSMAFEST 2025**, themed “**Innovate, Collaborate, Inspire,**” was successfully hosted on **August 23**. **PSG College, Coimbatore**, won the Overall Performance Cup across various competitions like paper presentation and business plan. The month concluded with a PDP on “**Cost Auditing Standards – Cost Audit Documentation**” by **CMA Meena Ramji** and a **Practitioners Meet** on CMA Act updates (August 30).

Teachers' Day Celebration

The **Teachers' Day Celebration** (September 5), honouring faculties for their invaluable contribution, featuring Dr. P. R. Muthuswamy and Mr. P. M. Jagadeesan as chief guests. A PDP on **"Health and Productivity in Work Life"** (September 6) was conducted by Dr. M. Sivaprakash, focusing on preventive healthcare and work-life balance.

Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP) & Convocation

A 12-day **Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)** for 26 newly qualified CMAs of the June 2025 batch was inaugurated on September 11. This intensive training concluded with a **Convocation Ceremony** on **September 21**, where graduates were addressed by Dr. R. Nandagopal and Dr. K. Ramamurthi, emphasizing professionalism and ethical values.

Professional Development and Celebrations

The Chapter hosted the **President of ICMAI, CMA T.C.A. Srinivasa Prasad**, for an interactive members' meet on **September 13**. Two significant PDPs were conducted later in the month: one on the **Key Recommendations of the 56th GST Council Meeting** by Shri P. A. Parameswaran, IRS (Retd.) on September 20, and another on **Challenges Faced in Cost Audit Report** by CMA V. Sakthivel on September 27. The Chapter concluded its September calendar with the traditional celebration of **Ayutha Pooja & Saraswathi Pooja** on September 30.

TRIVANDRUM CHAPTER

Personal Finance Professional Development Programme

On **September 21, 2025**, the Chapter hosted a one-day **Professional Development Programme** on **"Personal Finance"** at The Terrace Hotel. The session, inaugurated by **CMA Sugunan T G**, Chief Financial Officer, Brahmas Aerospace, aimed to enhance financial literacy. The event featured two expert speakers: **Sri. Abinas M**, SEBI Registered Research Analyst, who covered **investment strategies** (equity and mutual funds), and **Sri. Nrupen Koshy**, Certified Financial Planner, who led an engaging session on **goal-based financial planning**, including budgeting and retirement strategies. The programme saw enthusiastic participation from over

50 individuals, including members, students, and allied finance professionals.

Students Felicitation Programme

A **Students Felicitation Programme** was organized on the same day, **September 21, 2025**, to honour the achievers of the June 2025 CMA Final and Intermediate Examinations. The event, held at Hotel Terrace, was chaired by **CMA Pranav Jayan** and featured **CMA Sugunan T G** as the Chief Guest, who felicitated the high achievers with mementos. A highlight was the distribution of the **CMA A K Suresh Memorial Endowment Cash Award** to the toppers by Smt. A K Sukeshini.

Industry Oriented Training Programme (IOTP)

The Chapter conducted an extensive **Industry Oriented Training Programme (IOTP)** for CMA Final students appearing for the December 2025 examination, spanning from **September 13 to 21, 2025**. The training covered practical and critical corporate skills, including **Project Management & Financing, Risk Management, Working Capital Management, Practical Audits (Accounts, Cost, & Other), Direct and Indirect Taxation**, and essential soft skills like **Group Discussion, Resume Preparation, and Interview Skills**. **CMA Rejeesh V S**, Vice Chairman, distributed the participation certificates during the valedictory function.

BENGALURU CHAPTER

Professional Development Programmes (PDP)

The Chapter hosted three key professional development sessions:

- ⦿ **Cost Management in Construction Industry (September 6):** A session on specialized cost control techniques in construction, led by **CMA Dr. Chivukula Vasudev**. This session coincided with the **Teacher's Day Celebration** on the same date.
- ⦿ **GST 2.0: 56th GST Council Updates (September 13):** Focused on the latest amendments and changes in Goods and Services Tax, with **CMA Praveen Kumar Gella** as the resource person.
- ⦿ **AI for Tomorrow's CMA (September 27):** A forward-looking session on how Artificial Intelligence will impact and shape the role of Cost Management Accountants, presented by **CMA Challa Madhukar**.

All PDPs saw the participation of Chapter leadership, including **CMA Raghavendra B K** (Chairman), **CMA Gunamala S R** (Vice Chairperson), and **CMA Vishwanatha Bhat** (PF Chairman, SIRC & Ex-Office).

Practitioner's Forum (PF) Programme

The Practitioner's Forum conducted a specialized session on **"Internal Audit for Life Insurance Companies"** on **September 20**. **CMA P N Murthy** led the discussion, providing in-depth insights into the sector-specific audit frameworks.

Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)

The Chapter successfully ran an extensive **Advanced Skill Training Programme** for the newly qualified CMAs of the June 2025 batch, spanning from **September 8 to 19**.

- ⊙ **Inauguration and Key Sessions:** The programme was inaugurated on **September 8** with an address on job and practicing opportunities by **CMA Prabhat Ranjan** (GM, HAL). Subsequent sessions covered a wide range of topics, including **GST Updates, Contract Management, Business Etiquette, CV Writing, Presentation Skills, Financial Modelling, and Soft Skills**.
- ⊙ **Contemporary Topics:** The training incorporated emerging and high-demand areas like **Data Presentation (Advanced Excel), Data Science in Finance, ESG & Business Responsibility Reporting (BRSR), Practical Aspects of IND AS, and AI & Business Intelligence (BI) tools in finance**.
- ⊙ **Valedictory Session:** The ASTP concluded on **September 19**, with **CMA Subrata Kumar Das** (Sr. DGM - Finance, BEL) as the Chief Guest, marking the completion of the comprehensive skill enhancement course.

Cultural Celebrations

The month concluded with the Chapter observing the traditional **Saraswati and Ayudha Pooja Celebration** on **September 30**, attended by the entire Chapter Managing Committee, reinforcing the importance of cultural unity and respect for knowledge.

COCHIN CHAPTER

National Webinar: Leases Ind AS 116

On **September 13, 2025**, the Chapter organized

the 4th session of its national webinar series, **"From Compliance to Competence: Ind AS as a Strategic Enabler in Cost Auditing."** The session, titled **"Leases Ind AS 116,"** featured **CMA Ramsankar Mishra** (Senior Manager - Finance, MRPL) as the speaker. He delivered an insightful presentation on the practical implications of Ind AS 116 in cost auditing, proving highly beneficial to the national audience of members, students, and professionals. The webinar, welcomed by Chairperson **CMA Renjini R**, concluded with a Vote of Thanks by PD Committee Chairperson **CMA Meena George**.

Members Onam Celebration

The festive spirit was high on **September 14, 2025**, as the Chapter's Managing Committee hosted the traditional **Onam Celebration** at IMA Hall, Palarivattom. The event, inaugurated by **CMA K. N. G. Kurup** (Past Chairman), saw active participation from Chapter members, staff, and their families. The celebration featured vibrant **cultural programmes, traditional games**, and a highlight: the **grand Onam Sadhya**, which fostered joy, unity, and togetherness among the attendees. Chairperson **CMA Renjini R** welcomed the gathering, and the programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Secretary **CMA Arun Kumar S**.

TIRUCHIRAPALLI CHAPTER

79th Independence Day Celebration with Seminar

The **Tiruchirappalli Chapter** celebrated the **79th Independence Day** by hosting a successful Professional Development (PD) program: a seminar on **"Time Management (Balancing Academics, Life and Dreams)"**. The event drew a large audience of members, faculty, students, and parents. Chapter Chairman **CMA N Shanmugasundaram** welcomed the attendees. The resource person, **Dr. K Karthikeyan**, Head of the Dept. of Management Studies at Saranathan College of Engineering, stressed that effective time management involves focusing on **core goals, setting priorities, establishing Dos and Don'ts**, and optimizing time use to achieve dreams within a timeframe. Participants found the session highly beneficial and engaged actively. The program also included a **prize distribution** for passed students and featured newly **campus-recruited students** sharing their experiences. **CMA P Manoharan**, Chapter Treasurer, concluded the event with the vote of thanks.

Glimpses of Southern India Regional Council



Ranipet-Vellore Chapter



Visakhapatnam Chapter



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AHMEDABAD CHAPTER

Professional Development & Training

The Chapter hosted numerous Continuing Professional Education (CPE) sessions and webinars focusing on contemporary topics:

- ⦿ GST 2.0 Reforms (Sept 10 & 30): Two sessions, including one on Next-Gen GST Reforms and a joint webinar with Nashik on Anti-Profitteering.
- ⦿ Insolvency & Bankruptcy (Sept 20): A CPE on career roadmaps for Cost Accountants.
- ⦿ Empowering MSMEs (Sept 20): A CPE on leveraging the Aatmanirbhar Gujarat Scheme.
- ⦿ Sustainability (Sept 29): A joint webinar with Nashik on the profession of CMAs & Valuers.
- ⦿ Soft Skills & Wellness: Joint webinars with Nashik on Women Empowerment in Finance and Business (Sept 26) and Stress Management (Sept 27).
- ⦿ Advanced Skill Training (Sept 8–18): An 11-day program was held for Final students preparing for the December 2025 exam, concluding with a valedictory session.

Student & Member Recognition

- ⦿ **Felicitation Program** (Sept 18): The Chapter honored students who successfully passed the Foundation, Intermediate, and Final June 2025 exams, with special recognition (Gold Medals and Cash Prizes) for top academic achievers **Anket M. Devnani, Dhanlaxmi S. Mudaliyar, and Ayush D. Mulla**.

Cultural & Community Engagement

- ⦿ **Heritage Walk** (Sept 16): Members and students participated in a guided cultural tour of the **Walled City of Ahmedabad** (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), focusing on its 'pol' system and traditional architecture.
- ⦿ **Shastipoorti Garba Mahotsav** (Sept 27): The Chapter marked its **60-year milestone (Shastipoorti)** with a magnificent Garba celebration. The event included traditional dances, a cultural showcase, and the **Garba Awards** recognizing top performers like **Nitika Vadhvani (Queen)** and **Vatsal Khalas (King)**.

BARODA CHAPTER

Convocation/Felicitation Ceremony (Aug 30)

The Chapter celebrated the success of students who passed the **Foundation, Intermediate, and Final**

CMA examinations at a Convocation Ceremony held at Vanijya Bhavan. For the first time, the Chapter also **felicited its dedicated faculties**. The event featured prominent guests, including **CMA S.K. Bajpai**, **CMA Shubhadeep Sen**, **CMA Ashwin Dalwadi**, and **CMA Mihir Vyas**.

Professional Development (CPEs)

A major focus was on contemporary business and accounting topics:

- ⊙ **ESG & Sustainability Series:** Two CPEs were conducted by CMA Siddhartha Pal on “**ESG & Sustainability Framework; UNSDG**” (Sept 5) and “**Sustainability Reporting & Key Performance Indicators**” (Sept 12), with each session granting 2 CPE hours.
- ⊙ **GST 2.0:** An online CPE on “**GST 2.0**” was delivered by CMA Dipak Joshi (Sept 21).

Student Training & Outreach

- ⊙ **Skill Training Program:** A **40-hour MS Office Training Program** for Intermediate students began on September 9 to enhance their workplace readiness.
- ⊙ **Career Awareness Programs:** The Chapter conducted a series of sessions at prominent Vadodara schools (including Zenith School, DPS, and Baroda High School) to guide students on the **CMA course and career scope**.
- ⊙ **Placement & Training:** The Chapter organized various activities to facilitate **placement and training** for a large number of students and members.

Chapter Recognition

CMA Amruta Vyas, the Chapter Chairperson, was recognized as one of the **16 Most Successful Women of Vadodara City** by Divya Bhaskar, a significant source of pride for the entire CMA fraternity.

SURAT-SOUTH GUJARAT CHAPTER

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter** of ICMAI held a **Press Conference** on **August 11, 2025**, at the Chapter campus to announce the results for the **Intermediate and Final June 2025 term exams**.

Chapter officials, including **CMA Nanty Shah (WIRC Vice-Chairman)** and **CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman)**, were present. The highlight of the announcement was that students secured the **1st All India Rank (AIR) in both the Intermediate and Final levels**.

The Chairman and Managing Committee

congratulated the successful students and offered guidance for their future careers.

Courtesy Visit to MP's Office (Aug 12, 2025)

CMA Nanty Shah (WIRC Vice-Chairman) and **CMA Kishor Vaghela (Surat Chapter Chairman)** led a courtesy visit to the office of **MP Shri C R Patil Sir**. The visit included the **recent rank holders** from the Chapter.

Special Session on CV Writing (Aug 13, 2025)

The Surat South Gujarat Chapter organized a session on “**How to Make an Effective CV**” for qualified students at CMA Bhawan. **Ms. Mamta Mehta** delivered the highly beneficial and interactive session, providing valuable guidance on structuring CVs and aligning résumés with industry requirements.

Inauguration of Oral Coaching Classes

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter** held the **Inauguration of Oral Coaching Classes** for the July–December 2025 term on **August 14, 2025**, at CMA Bhawan.

The session was inaugurated by **Chief Guest Dr. Abhilasha Agarwal**, Dean, with a traditional lamp lighting. She delivered an **inspiring address**, urging students to pursue their studies with dedication and discipline.

The program included a welcome speech by **CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman)** and an introduction by **CMA Vipin Patel (Secretary)**, marking the official start of the students’ new academic journey.

79th Independence Day Celebrations

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter** celebrated the **79th Independence Day** on **August 15, 2025**, at the CMA Bhawan.

The flag hoisting ceremony was led by **CMA Nanty Shah (WIRC Vice-Chairman)** and **CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman)**. The celebration also featured competitions for students, including **Dance, Elocution, Chess, and Quiz**, with **80 students actively participating**.

CPE on “Code of Ethics”

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter** hosted a Continuing Professional Education (CPE) session on “**Code of Ethics**” on **August 16, 2025**. The keynote speaker was **CMA Ashish Thatte (CCM)**. **CMA Nanty Shah (WIRC Vice-Chairman)** and **CMA K C Gupta (Immediate Past Chairman)** felicitated the speaker. Approximately 20 participants attended and benefited

from the dynamic and insightful session.

Prize Distribution Function

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter-ICMAI** hosted a grand **Prize Distribution Function** on **August 21, 2025**, at Platinum Hall, Surat, to honor successful students from the **Foundation, Intermediate, and Final December 2024 and June 2025 term results**. The event was graced by Chief Guest **CMA Neeraj Joshi (Vice President)** and Guest of Honor **Dr. Kishorsinh Chavda (Vice Chancellor, VNSGU)**. Esteemed dignitaries, including **CMA Ashwin Dalwadi (Past President)** and members of the WIRC, also attended. CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chapter Chairman) welcomed the guests, who then offered inspirational speeches and blessings to the approximately **850 students** in attendance.

Advanced Skill Training Programme

The **Surat South Gujarat Chapter** hosted an **Advanced Skill Training Programme (ASTP)** for 32 students who qualified in the June 2025 term. The program ran from **September 8 to September 18, 2025**, at CMA Bhawan and was specifically designed to prepare students for upcoming campus placements.

The **Valedictory Session** was graced by **Shri Nikhil Madrasi (President-SGCCl)** and **CMA Nanty Shah (WIRC Vice-Chairman)**, who guided the students on placement opportunities. Chapter officials, including **CMA Kishor Vaghela (Chairman)** and **CMA Vipin Patel (Secretary)**, were present to felicitate the chief guest.

NASHIK CHAPTER

Career Awareness Programs (September 2025)

The **ICMAI Nashik Chapter** conducted an extensive series of **Career Awareness Programs** throughout September 2025 to promote the CMA qualification among students at various colleges and schools.

Date	Institution	Speaker(s)	Focus
Sept 12 (Friday)	Sandip University & Sandip Foundation	CMA Amit Jadhav (Immediate Past Chairman)	Introduced the CMA Course structure, career opportunities, and its growing relevance in the corporate world.

Sept 12 (Friday)	Loknete Vyankatrao Hire College	CMA Arif Khan Mansuri (Past Chairman)	Gave a comprehensive overview of the CMA career's vast scope in various industries and independent practice.
Sept 12 (Friday)	K.G.D.M College, Niphad	CMA Priyanka Burkul (Member)	Conducted a highly interactive session to build student interest in the CMA course.
Sept 16 (Tuesday)	The Moonje Institute of Management	CMA Dipak Joshi (Past Chairman)	Successfully generated enthusiasm among students for exploring the rewarding CMA career path.
Sept 22 (Monday)	Ashoka Universal School	CMA Suraj Lahoti (Past Chairman) & CMA Vishal Bharadwaj (Member)	Provided valuable insights on the CMA career's importance, diverse paths, and international recognition through an interactive session.
Sept 30 (Tuesday)	BYK College of Commerce	CMA Prakash Nath Mishra (Member)	Explained the critical Role of Cost Accountants in various industries.

These programs successfully highlighted the professional avenues, career growth possibilities, and relevance of the CMA profession to aspiring students.

INDORE-DEWAS CHAPTER

The **ICMAI Indore Chapter** successfully conducted a range of professional and student-focused events in August and September 2025. On September 23rd, a Career Counseling Programme was held at

Government Maharani Laxmibai Girls Postgraduate College, Indore, where over 150 students learned about the CMA course, its curriculum, and professional opportunities from Chapter Chairman CMA Pankaj Raizada, PD Committee Chairman CMA Rahul Jain, and Secretary CMA Yash Vagrecha. A quiz session was also conducted for the students. Earlier, on August 30th, the Valedictory Ceremony for the third batch of the **CAT Course** took place, where 24 students (14 from Army, 8 from Navy, and 2 from Air Force) were congratulated by the Managing Committee. Chief Guest Lt. Col. Prashant Mishra, who joined via video conference, emphasized the necessity of accounts knowledge for all. The Chapter also hosted a Students Felicitation Program on August 24th to honor 47 Foundation, 19 Intermediate, and 4 Final examination qualifiers from the June 2025 attempt. CMA Deepak Ahuja, GM and CFO of NHDC Limited, graced the event as Chief Guest. The chapter also organized several Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Programs in July and August, covering topics such as Cost Audit in Engineering Industry and Power Sector (CMA Vijay P Joshi), From Data to Return (CA Amber Choudhary), IRAC Norms in Indian Banks (CMA Manoj Jain), and Emerging Markets for MSMEs (CMA Dinesh Patel).

PIMPRI-CHINCHWAD CHAPTER

Career Counseling Sessions at Pune Colleges

In September 2025, the ICMAI Pimpri-Chinchwad-Akurdi Chapter organized three dedicated career counseling sessions to promote the CMA course and guide students toward professional paths in Cost and Management Accounting. On September 11th, a session at Dr. D Y Patil Women's College featured CMA Sagar Malpure, who detailed the CMA curriculum, eligibility, and diverse career opportunities, leaving participants highly motivated. Later in the month, similar sessions were held on September 25th at SNBP Junior College,

Chikhali, and on September 26th at Dr. D Y Patil Junior College, Nigdi, and Dr. D Y Patil Night College, Pimpri. These events provided practical advice on goal setting, essential skills, and industry expectations, using motivational stories to inspire students, particularly empowering women at the Night College session.

'Navratri Nexus' Webinar Series

The Chapter also hosted an extensive 'Navratri Nexus' webinar series from September 22nd to 30th, focusing on blending professional development with themes of energy, wisdom, and leadership. Key sessions included 'Purity in Action: Ethical Leadership and Decision Making' on September 22nd, led by CMA Sanjali Dias, which emphasized integrity through case studies. 'Harnessing Determination Through Stories of Courage' on September 23rd with CMA CS Anjali Bothra inspired attendees to cultivate resilience. Further addressing holistic success, 'Living a Purposeful Life' on September 24th with Ms. Debjani Banerjee encouraged finding meaning beyond achievement. A unique session, '9 Days 9 Financial Lessons from Navaratri' on September 25th by CMA Harshada Prabhune, linked cultural festivities to financial discipline. The series continued with 'Wisdom Traditions' on September 26th by Ms. Nandita Khaire, exploring ancient teachings for modern contexts. A double session on September 27th covered 'Fueling Your Inner Fire: Staying Motivated' (CMA Sunita Badani) and 'Protecting Mental Health' (CMA Arpita Majumder). Finally, the series wrapped up with 'Optimism in Action' (CMA Subhadra Bandyopadhyay) on September 28th, 'Calm Leadership' (CS Kopal Chaplot) on September 30th (listed as 29th in original, but followed after 28th), and 'Unleashing Your Courage' (CMA Soma Ghosh) on September 29th (listed as 30th in original, but before 30th in original text), all aimed at equipping participants with essential life skills for resilience, leadership, and positive change.

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