

## **ICAI Chief enumerates Initiatives for Strengthening Member Services**

The President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ( ICAI ), CA Naveen D Gupta has enumerated the significant initiatives taken by ICAI to strengthen member services. With its sincere efforts of leveraging technology to empower its members and students and bringing various relevant services to the doorsteps of its stakeholders, ICAI has taken up many significant initiatives. Some of these are:

**Good Standing Certificate:** Much-awaited facility for our members abroad or those who plan to go abroad with regard to Good Standing Certificate has been made online. Members who need this certificate may apply online and check the application status, and post-approval, they may download the Certificate as well. This will be launched shortly under the e-Services section at <https://www.icai.org>, helping the members get their respective good standing certificate without any hurdle.

**Website for Senior Members:** A website [www.seniormembers.icai.org](http://www.seniormembers.icai.org) has been developed as a platform to help our senior members in getting full-time as well as flexi-working-hour assignments post-retirement. Besides, this will also bring out the otherwise-inaccessible and experienced talent pool before the stakeholders.

**Webcasts Organised:** To update the membership on various development taking place in profession, including the economic and statutory scenario, webcasts in all professional domains are regularly organised at ICAI. Over the last one month, many such webcasts were held on a variety of professionally relevant themes, which included 'Recent Regulatory Development and Challenges in NBFCs' (26th April), 'Recent Developments in Electronic Systems, E-compliances-Issues and Way Forward' (27th April), 'Introduction of all Valuation Standards, Preface and Framework' (30th April), 'Art of Investing in Stock Market' (1st May), and 'Capacity Building Measures of Practitioners with special reference to Recent Changes in ITR Forms' (2nd May). A series of live webcasts on the Exposure Draft of Indian Valuation Standards 101, 102, 103, 201, 301, 302, 303 and 202 as framed by the Valuation Standards Board of ICAI were conducted on 30th April and on 2nd-7th May 2018, to explain and spread awareness about the Standards. Prominent speakers that addressed the aforementioned webcasts included the CBDT Principle DG IT (Systems) Shri Harish Kumar.

**Quick Insight 2018 Released:** To inform the membership on the affairs of profession and on professional opportunities, ICAI recently released Quick Insight 2018 and the same has been hosted on the Institute's website too for reference.

**My ICAI-ICE:** At ICAI, we launched on pilot basis ICAI-ICE (Interactive CPE Enabler) with regard to the management of participants'/ stakeholders' queries by concerned faculty in real time, in a programme held in Chennai on 14th May 2018, and tasted success. As per ICE, programme details will be uploaded and a code will be sent to faculty concerned as well as to the participating members. Participants can then post their query and the dealing faculty will be able to effectively take them up in real time, after accessing those in advance. Then, using ICE, faculty can also conduct poll among their audience to understand their nerve.

“I would again request my professional colleagues (i.e. members) to update telephone number and email id information in the database of ICAI, so that your alma mater keeps extending hassle-free relevant information about professional engagements suitably and sending relevant material, as decided from time to time,” ICAI Chief added.

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