



Chairman Writes...

Dear Colleagues,

It has been rightly said..

“Every title, every role, every priority adds to your responsibility, and the more the people, the larger the responsibility, the larger the expectations”

The real purport of this sentence hit me on the 20th February 2011, when I realised the expectations of friends, colleagues and family from me were something that I will have to live up to this year. Taking over the most active region of the most prestigious professional body of the country is something that I had never dreamt of honestly; and today as I write to all of you through this newsletter I am overwhelmed and awed by a mixed feeling, one of fear to live up to the expectations of all of you, and two of a strong fire to do as much as I can in these twelve months.

At the outset I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your confidence and for the support my colleagues in the Regional Council extended in electing me and the team for the year 2011-2012; it is a humbling experience and the team is all geared to make this year the most happening year, what with this being the Diamond Jubilee year for our Region. So let us all work together to make this a really eventful and progressive Diamond Jubilee Year, since we have come a long way from 1952.

*I and my team take this opportunity to congratulate the branch teams that are celebrating their **Golden Jubilee Year in 2011-2012**, that include Bangalore, Coimbatore, Hyderabad and Madurai, and also the Quilon, Vellore and Palghat branches that are celebrating their **Silver Jubilee Year** this year. So it is celebration time this year and I am glad that we are all moving towards new ideas and new initiatives.*

*On behalf of the Members of this Region, I congratulate our beloved **President CA. G. Ramaswamy and Vice-President CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah**, who have assumed the Office of **President and Vice-President** of the Institute. Their support and guidance, we are sure, will strengthen our initiatives during the year. It is a moment of happiness and pride that our member from this region CA. G. Ramaswamy has assumed the Office of President of the Institute.*

I would fail in my duty if I do not compliment and express our appreciation to the immediate former Chairman of SIRC CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil under whose leadership,



Let us all work together to make a really eventful and progressive Diamond Jubilee Year.

SIRC organized multifarious programmes throughout the region. The current team would continue the good work done by my predecessor and his team.

On the first week of my office I had the first opportunity to interact with the members of the Salem and Calicut Branches, and that meetings gave me a lot of food for thought about the year that is going to be. I believe these interactions and your ideas are going to make this year what you want it to be. It will be my pleasure to get your suggestions, feedback, brickbats and anything that will help make the year a crowning glory in the history of the Institute; so please be kind enough to send me those thoughts

of yours to chairmansirc@gmail.com, till we get our website updated and tuned to handle the load of mails that we expect.

Our key focus areas this year would be the following, and I am desisting from giving you promises about projects and programmes, but am going to make the actions speak for themselves, so here is what we propose to work on throughout the year:

- Celebrate the Diamond Jubilee Year in a very different way
- Work on improving the facilities and the building in Chennai
- Focus on Knowledge Updating for all
- Management Development Programmes
- Promoting the profession amongst the student community
- Working on strengthening the corpus of CABF
- Promoting the facilities and effective benefits of the Institute to all the members
- Involving more members in the Institute, and enhancing networking that way

So the agenda is clear and the plan has all been set, all we need is your support to make this happen; till next month happy budgeting and look forward to meeting more of you in the coming days.

Yours affectionately

CA. K. SHANMUKHA SUNDARAM

MEMBERS AT HELM AT ICAI



CA. G. Ramaswamy
President



CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah
Vice-President

MEMBERS AT HELM AT SIRC OF ICAI



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram
Chairman



CA. K. Viswanath
Vice-Chairman



CA. S. Murali
Secretary



CA. E. Phalgun Kumar
Treasurer



CA. G. Ramaswamy, President, ICAI addressing the members at the "Meet with President and Vice-President, ICAI" programme organised by SIRC of ICAI on February 20, 2011 at Chennai. (L-R): CA. V. Murali, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. S. Murali, Secretary, SIRC, CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah, Vice-President, ICAI, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC and CA. E. Phalgun Kumar, Treasurer, SIRC.



CA. G. Ramaswamy, President, ICAI addressing at the Press Conference on February, 20, 2011 at ICAI Bhawan, Chennai in the presence of CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah, Vice-President, ICAI.

PROFILE OF ICAI PRESIDENT CA. G. RAMASWAMY



A combination of erudition, foresight and professional excellence, **CA. G. Ramaswamy** has become the supreme torch-bearer of Indian accountancy profession as the President of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI). A fellow member of the ICAI with more than **25 years** of standing, he has been elected as the President of ICAI for the year 2011-12 by the 21st Council of Institute on February 12, 2011. Bestowed with exceptional organizational and administrative skills, he was serving as Vice president of the ICAI for 2010-11. An illustrious and versatile practicing Chartered Accountant since 1984, he is also a Fellow Member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI).

Hailing from Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu), he has vast experience in the field of taxation, company law matters, audit and internal audit, management consultancy of more than two decades. Having a penchant for perfection, he has the distinction of being the 1st nominated member of the Quality Review Board, an external body constituted under the Chartered Accountants (Amendment) Act, 2006 to act as an oversight body of the profession. **He has also been nominated as Member of the 2nd Quality Review Board constituted by the Government of India.**

An ardent advocate and proponent of 'brand Indian CA' and accountancy profession globally, **he has been nominated Technical Advisor to IFAC Board and Technical Advisor to PAODC of IFAC.** He has also crucial role as the Institute's Representative to the Committee on Harmonization of Fiscal & Tariff Regimes in SAFA Region for the year 2010-11. He was nominated as Vice Chairman in SAFA Centre of Excellence on Standards and Quality Control and as a member of SAFA task force. He was also the nominated member of SAFA Committee for improvement in Transparency, Accountability and Governance.

A facilitator of ICAI as 'Partner in Nation Building', he also represents ICAI on a number of Governmental/other stakeholder committees/boards, **including as member of National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards (NACAS). He has also been nominated to the Standing Committee on TDS for the year 2011 for exchange of ideas on enhancing voluntary TDS/TCS compliance, strengthening partnership with tax practitioners, tax deductors/collectors and third party partners, and promoting education and awareness of TDS/TCS provisions amongst the deductors/collectors & tax payers besides minimizing scope for grievances. Some other such committees**

include 'Task Force of Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) to provide professional and technical support to the DPE in the process of finalization of MOU documents,' 'Secretarial Standards Board of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI),' 'Board of Tariff Advisory Committee of Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA),' 'Project Implementation Committee to pursue the implementation of Accrual Accounting in the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways constituted by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and Ministry of Shipping,' 'Working Group constituted by the Competition Commission of India,' 'Committee of Experts to prepare a fresh Inspection Manual constituted by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs,' 'Advisory Committee of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises,' 'Audit Board constituted by Comptroller & Auditor General of India for conducting Performance Audit of Corporate Social Responsibility of the PSUs in Steel sector,' and 'Financial Action Task Force (FATF) constituted by Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Government of India'.

A seasoned professional with a futuristic vision, CA. G. Ramaswamy **began his illustrious innings in ICAI Council with his election in 2004**, and has served the profession holding important positions in both Standing and Non Standing committees of the ICAI **ever since**. He served as member of all the standing committees of the ICAI viz. Disciplinary Committee (Old and new mechanism), Examination Committee, Finance Committee and Executive Committee. He has made noteworthy contributions in whatever capacities he served the profession, particularly as Chairman 'Committee on Electoral Reforms', 'Fiscal Laws Committee', 'Continuing Professional Education Committee,' Vice Chairman for 'Committee on Accounting Standards for Local Bodies,' 'Audit Committee' and 'Committee on International Taxation', 'Committee on Information Technology', 'Committee on Corporate Governance', 'Fiscal Laws Committee,' and Commerce Education and Career counseling. As Vice President of the ICAI, he was the Member ex-officio in all Non-standing Committees of ICAI and Joint Editor of *The Chartered Accountant* journal. He has also distinctly served as Convenor of 'Group for Codification of Regulations, Directions of the Council,' 'Information Technology Initiatives Group,' 'ICAI Study Group to recommend CPE credit requirements to CPEC,' 'ICAI Study

group for Guidance Note and Model Code of Conduct for Independent Directors,' 'Professional Development Task Force,' and Dy. Convenor 'Infrastructure Acceleration Group'.

During his Council term 2007-10, he served as a member in Board of Discipline, ICAI-ICSI-ICWAI Co-ordination Committee, Committee on Ethical standards, Committee for Members in Industry, HR and Administration Committee, Committee of Direct and Indirect Taxes Committee for SMPs, Research Committee, Representation Committee, Committee on Insurance and Pension, etc. He also served as a member in International Affairs committee, FRRB, Editorial Board, Corporate and Allied Laws Committee, etc. During these two terms, he served as a member of Professional Development Committee, Audit committee, Continuing Professional Education Committee and AASB. He has also served in various sub-groups of the ICAI on Service tax, CES, DTC, CA (Amendments) Act of ICAI and worked as Chairman SIRC Audit committee of ICAI.

He had been a member of Southern India Regional Council (SIRC) of ICAI since 1994 and went on to become the Chairman of the SIRC for 1999-2000, during which period the SIRC bagged the Best Regional Council Award and Best Students' Association Award on all India basis. He was also the member of Body of Board of Governors of Institute of Internal Auditors, [IIA]-Chennai. Earlier, he was the Chairman of the Coimbatore Branch of the ICAI for 1988-89 and a member of the Managing Committee of the Coimbatore Branch of SIRC of ICAI for the period 1984-89. During 1994-95, he also served as Director, The Tamil Nadu Industrial Investment Corporation Ltd, an undertaking of Tamil Nadu Government.

CA. G. Ramaswamy is a prolific speaker and writer. He has addressed various National and International Conferences on Accounting and Auditing Standards, Taxation, Company Law matters, Banking and various topics related to the CA profession. He has represented ICAI at various international fora, including CAPA & SAFA, and has addressed a series of international conventions and seminars on the themes related to Governance & IFRS.

A keen golfer, he is a member of various social clubs and organisations. He has widely traveled and visited a number of foreign countries and as part of international delegations and study tours. ■

SIRC CALENDAR**MARCH & APRIL 2011**

Contact: Shri T.V. Srinivasan, Senior Assistant Secretary – ICAI - Phone: 044 – 30210320 / 321 – Email: sirc@icai.in

Date and time	Program details	Resource person	Fee (₹)	CPE credit
Mar. 2, Wednesday	PUBLIC MEETING ON UNION BUDGET 2011			No CPE Credit
Mar. 6 & 7 Sun & Monday	REGIONAL RESIDENTIAL CPE SEMINAR AT VIJAYAWADA (THEME: UNION BUDGET)			12 hrs
Mar. 8, Tuesday 02.30 p.m. – 07.30 p.m.	**CPE Seminar on CLAUSE BY CLAUSE ANALYSIS ON FINANCE BILL – 2011	Details hosted in the SIRC Website www.sircoficai.org		4 hrs
Mar. 9, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	**CPE Study Circle Meeting on PART IX CONVERSION – GATEWAY TO CORPORATISATION OF BUSINESS	CA. Govind M. Joshi Coimbatore	150/-	2 hrs
Mar. 11, Friday 09.30 a.m. – 05.30 p.m.	***CPE Seminar on CENTRAL STATUTORY AUDIT OF BANKS	Details at page 09		6 hrs
Mar. 12, Saturday 09.30 a.m. – 05.30 p.m.	****CPE Seminar on BANK BRANCH AUDIT	Details at page 05		6 hrs
Mar. 16, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	*CPE Study Circle Meeting on INEQUITIES UNDER THE INCOME TAX ACT	CA. S. Ramachandran Coimbatore	No Delegate Fee	2 hrs
Mar. 18 to 20 Fri, Sat & Sunday	REGIONAL RESIDENTIAL COURSE AT OOTY (Theme: Bank Audit)	Details at page 17		12 hrs
Mar. 23, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	*CPE Study Circle Meeting on ISSUES IN TDS	CA. K. Ravi Coimbatore	150/-	2 hrs
Mar. 29, Tuesday 11.00 a.m. – 01.00 p.m.	*CPE Teleconference on BANK AUDIT	CA. C.V. Sajan Delhi	150/-	2 hrs
Mar. 30, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	*CPE Study Circle Meeting on TRANSFER PRICING	CA. R. Mohan Coimbatore	150/-	2 hrs
Apr. 6, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	*CPE Study Circle Meeting on COUPLE OF THINGS ABOUT PUBLIC & PRIVATE COMPANIES	CS. M.R. Thyagarajan Coimbatore	150/-	2 hrs
Apr. 20, Wednesday 06.15 p.m. – 08.30 p.m.	*CPE Study Circle Meeting on TDS / TCS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2011-12	CA. D. Kannusami Cuddalore	No Delegate Fee	2 hrs
Apr. 22 to 24 Fri, Sat & Sunday	REGIONAL RESIDENTIAL COURSE AT YERCAUD	Details will be hosted in the SIRC Website www.sircoficai.org		

* Programmes at P. Brahmayya Memorial Hall, ICAI Bhawan, SIRC Premises, Chennai - 34.

** Programme venue changed to Hotel Palmgrove, Kodambakkam High Road, Chennai - 34.

*** Programme at The Raintree Hotel, Anna Salai, Teynampet, Chennai - 18.

**** Programme at Hotel Le Royal Meredien, GST Road, St. Thomas Mount, Chennai - 16.

No CPE Study Circle Meeting on April 13, 2011 on account of Elections to Tamil Nadu Assembly.**STATEMENT ABOUT OWNERSHIP AND OTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE NEWSPAPER (SIRC NEWSLETTER) FORM IV (SEE RULE)**

Place of Publication : Chennai
 Periodicity of Publication : Monthly
 Printer's name and address : **Shri Y.S. Rawat**
 Senior Deputy Secretary, Southern India Regional Council of
 The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, "ICAI Bhawan"
 No.122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 34

Publisher's name and address : **Shri Y.S. Rawat**
 Senior Deputy Secretary, Southern India Regional Council of
 The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, "ICAI Bhawan"
 No.122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 34

Editor's name and address : **CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram**
 Chairman, Southern India Regional Council of
 The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, "ICAI Bhawan"
 No.122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 34

Name and address of the individual who own the newspaper and partners or shareholders holding more than one per cent of the total capital : Southern India Regional Council of
 The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, "ICAI Bhawan"
 No.122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 34
 (There is no share capital)

I, **Y.S. Rawat**, hereby declare that the particulars given are true to my knowledge and belief.Date: 1st March 2011sd/- **Y.S. Rawat**, Senior Deputy Secretary**SIRC CONGRATULATES THE ALL INDIA TOPPERS FROM SOUTHERN REGION****IRM Nov. 2010
ALL INDIA TOPPER
FIRST RANK****CA. D. Narendranath**
Ernakulam
M.No. 201925
Marks: 239/400**PCE Nov. 2010
ALL INDIA TOPPER
FIRST RANK****Shri. Jeswin Joy John**
Bangalore
SR00233516
Marks: 458/600

CAG Empanelled firm having H.O. at Bhubaneswar & B.O.s at Delhi & Sambalpur invites proposals for nationwide merger preferably with south and west India based CA Firms like minded firms may contact CA. Rima Dhawan – Cell: +91 9337011004 or email at rimadhawan@hotmail.com, CA. Rajiv Malhotra – Cell: +91 9718055225, +91 9888880123 or email at ca.rajivmalhotra@gmail.com or networkmerger@gmail.com

Advt.



PROFILE OF ICAI VICE-PRESIDENT CA. JAYDEEP NARENDRA SHAH

CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah is the newly elected Vice-President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. He was a Central Council Member and was re-elected to the Central Council of ICAI for the third term for the period from 2010 to 2013 after completion of 1st term from 2004-2007 and current 2nd term from 2007-2010.

Past Assignments at Central Council Level of ICAI

Chairman of

- Board of Studies of ICAI for 4 years.
- Committee for Commerce Education & Career counseling for 1 year.
- Ethical Standards Board for 2 years.
- HR and Administration Committee for 1 year.
- Financial Reporting & Review Board of ICAI

Vice-Chairman of

- Committee for Financial Market and Investor Protection for 1 year.
- Board of Studies for 1 year.
- Peer Review Board for 1 year.
- Committee on Information Technology for 1 year.
- Capacity Building and Small & Medium Practitioners Committee of ICAI

Member

- CA. Jaydeep Shah was 43 times member of different committees during his first and second tenure as a Central Council Member

International Assignments & Exposure

CA. Jaydeep Shah has been appointed as the Technical Advisor on Small and Medium Practitioners Committee of International Federation of Accountants covering 125 countries.

CA. Shah is appointed chairman of the South Asian Federation of Accountants - Committee on Education, Training & CPD covering 8 professional bodies of 5 countries namely Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

He has been nominated on the International Innovative Committee.

He has delivered a lecture on E-learning initiatives of ICAI at International Innovation Network, an international conference held in Hong Kong.

He has delivered a lecture on Initiatives on Education for Chartered Accountancy Course at International Conference held at Dublin, Ireland.

He has delivered lecture in the International Conference held at Nepal on Investment Strategies.

He has also delivered lecture in the International Conference held at Nepal on Networking of firms.

Other Assignments

CA. Shah is the nominee of the Institute on the Committee to Review SIDBI's lending to MSME sector

He is director of the Accounting Research Foundation of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

Western Indian Regional Council of ICAI and Nagpur Branch of ICAI

Earlier, CA. Shah was Vice-Chairman of Western India Regional Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for the year 1997-98.

He was elected as a Member of the Western India Regional Council of the ICAI for 3 consecutive terms i.e. 1995-98, 1998-2001 and 2001-2004 covering 9 years..

He was Member of Managing Committee of Nagpur Branch of WIRC of ICAI during 1991-95 and served as its Secretary for 1991-92, 1992-94 and Chairman for 1994-95.

Academic Track Record

He has passed M.Com. from Nagpur University standing 1st in the order of Merit.

He was awarded P. Satyanarayanan Gold Medal and Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Award for Standing First in the order of merit in M.Com.

He has passed B.Com. from Nagpur University Standing 8th in the order of Merit.

Contribution in Seminar, Conferences and Other Contributions

He has chaired technical sessions and delivered lectures in All India conferences and seminars organised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, various regional councils of ICAI, various branches of ICAI, and various other Organizations / Associations.

He was a Member of Board of Studies, Accounts and Statistics Board of Nagpur University for 3 years.

He was a visiting faculty to 47th IRS batch in National Academy of Direct Taxes.

CPE SEMINAR ON BANK BRANCH AUDIT

Saturday- March 12, 2011 -Timings: 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Venue: Hotel Le Royal Meridien, 1 GST Road, St.Thomas Mount, Chennai – 600 016

CPE Credit
6
HOURS

Technical Sessions

Planning the Audit

CA. S. Swaminathan, Pondicherry

Audit Check List and its Importance

CA. R. Sundararajan, Chennai

Role of the Auditor- from the Bankers Perspective

Shri S. Sivaramaswamy,
Former General Manager, Indian Overseas Bank

Issues in Advances

- Devolved LCS / Guarantees
- Rescheduled Accounts
- Personal and Consumer Loans
- Fixed Assets as a Second Charge
- In the case of existing NPAS, Should LCs remaining to be realised and Guarantees outstanding be provided for? (From the angle of AS 29)
- Accounting for collections in EMI –NPA Cases
- Accounting for Interest in compromise cases, where amounts are collected in instalments, can interest be accrued or accounted only on receipt?

CA. Mahesh Krishnan, Chennai

Secretary
SIRC

Chairman
SIRC

Structuring Long Form

- DOs and Don'ts
- Should one go beyond the format, if so ,when, why and how ?
- Observations on advances-How to go about presenting them

CA. S. Pattabiraman, Chennai

Reducing Opportunities for Branch Audits- Reasons and Solutions

CA. S. Santhana Krishnan, Chennai

Registration - 09.00 a.m.

Inauguration - 09.30 a.m.

Any queries on any issue relating to the bank branch audit may be sent to sirc@icai.in, well in advance.

DELEGATE FEE : ₹ 1600/-

The Cheque/Demand Draft may be drawn in favour of 'SIRC of ICAI' payable at Chennai and the same may be sent to Senior Assistant Secretary, SIRC of ICAI, "ICAI Bhawan", No. 122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam Chennai – 600 034



Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali The Prince of Arcot's Address at the 32nd S. Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture of SIRC at Chennai on February 19, 2011

As a scion of an old and historic family of South India, I extend my warm and hearty greetings to one and all.

Let me at the outset thank Southern India Regional Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (SIRC of ICAI) for having kindly invited me so graciously to deliver 32nd S. Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture, in the august presence of the learned audience.

It is my privilege to stand before you on this pleasant occasion of the Memorial Lecture, which is being organised by all the five Regional Councils once in a year, inviting luminaries from different walks of life.

It was heartening to note that on earlier occasions, many eminent speakers of national repute like Hon'ble Justice Mr. V.R. Krishna Iyer, former Judge of Supreme Court, Mr. K. Parasaran, Attorney General of India, my esteemed friend, Mr. N. Ram, editor-in-chief of The Hindu, Mr. T.N. Seshan, Chief Election Commissioner and many others have delivered Memorial lectures in the past.

We are well aware that the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is a statutory body set up under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 enacted by the Parliament of India for regulating the profession of accountancy in India.

Chartered Accountancy is a noble national service and profession. Without Chartered Accountants' service and data presentation, no Revenue Department could function.

The service rendered by you is mainly to provide the necessary data to Revenue Department. You are doing a national work without which Revenue Department cannot move. A Businessman knows what he does and he can even skip maintaining his books of account otherwise.

You noble professionals owe a responsibility to the Government and ethics shall be maintained. When right income is declared, the Tax rates can be made half. If right income is not declared, Tax rates are double. This logic should be rightly understood by both the sides. You have to create awareness and compliance in this regard.

I see big volumes of Income Tax Act and Companies Act. The very sight creates a fear. The cumbersome sections are cumbersome to understand even to CAs, Lawyers and even the Judiciary. These must be made eco-friendly, public friendly and people-friendly. I understand that a new Code – Direct Taxes Code is in the offing.

I am really happy and feel delighted to be here amongst you today. I have been asked to select the subject of my today's Memorial Lecture.

My only subject, which is near and dear to my heart, is Communal Harmony, Secularism and National Unity. And, of course, you will agree, it is the need of the hour.

Today, the forces of pseudo-nationalism, parading themselves as patriots, are mobilizing to destroy communal harmony, secularism and national unity. They openly repudiate our Constitution, the rule of law and the goal of modern civilized nationhood, which inspired our glorious freedom struggle.

We, the citizens of this great secular country, India, should always remember and hear in our mind the supreme sacrifice of Mahatma Gandhi, who laid down his life in the cause of Hindu-Muslim unity and communal harmony.

A week before his martyrdom – Gandhiji said: I quote – "It would spell the ruin of both the Hindu religion and the majority community if the latter, in the intoxication of power, entertains the belief that it can crush the minority community and establish a purely Hindu Rashtra" – Unquote.

India is a secular state, not a theocracy. It has no preferred religion under the Constitution, which lays down the equal liberty of conscience and equal rights for all citizens.

India's history has been a confluence of many streams. Aryan speakers, Dravidian speakers, Mongols, Kushans, Parsees, Arabs, Persians, Turks and numerous others have enriched its multi-faceted and many-hued civilization.

India today is a diverse and pluralistic society: multi-ethnic, multi linguistic, multi-religious and multi-cultural. That is its great strength. It must be preserved.

We are part of humanity with all its rich diversity of religions, languages, cultures, traditions and experience and India forms a large microcosm of the contemporary world.

Secularism is the oxygen without which India cannot survive. It means equal rights for citizens belonging to all faiths, in other words, no discrimination against anyone on grounds of religion. It also means that religion shall not be mixed up with politics. A secular state is not aligned with any religion.

Constitutionalism and the Rule of Law mandate that matters of faith relating to public issues cannot be above the jurisdictions of the Courts, Parliament and other secular – democratic institutions. Indian law specifically prohibits the practice of communalism, the promotion of disharmony, enmity and ill will between different religious communities and the exploitation of religion for electoral purposes. The Indian constitution is the best treatise on human rights. It's a vast subject which should be properly understood by us.

The defense of minorities guaranteed under our Constitution is a matter not of "appeasement" (as the votaries of pseudo-nationalism allege) but of basic fair play. No society can call itself democratic and modern unless it defends and protects its minorities, religious, linguistic or any other.

To describe India's Muslims as "pampered" is to stand reality on its head. While poverty prevails among people of all communities, it prevails to a greater extent among the mass of Muslims than among the mass of Hindus, as data compiled by the National Sample Survey Organisation make clear.

In educational terms, Indian Muslims have even less adequate opportunities to advances.

India's religious minorities overall, and Muslims in particular, are seriously under-represented in the professions, government as well as private sector employment and educational institutions, according to official statistics.

Referring to various conflicts facing the world, the long history of tolerance and compassion should prevail making for a better tomorrow. I wish to be frank and feel sorry to say that large members of Muslims in different parts of the world have come under cruel pressure. Innocent people have been, and are being killed, in unjust wars waged against their nations in Iraq, in Afghanistan and in Palestine. Some elements among the powerful seem to take a special interest in causing them much hardship and spreading bigotry and prejudice against them.

Religion should not be a means to an end, as I refer to the rising religious fundamentalism in the world. Religious leaders of various faiths have a long way to go, especially in the socio-political front and they should speak to the people on every occasion.

I regret that the concept of education was restricted to just acquiring degrees and certificates and no attempt was being made to ensure decency and dignity in public and private life. The demolition of worship places. Destroying religious books and lynching missionaries reflected poorly on the education, not only in our country, but also in many parts of the world.

I earnestly appeal to people. Irrespective of caste, creed or religion to know and understand the religious beliefs, values and feelings of the people of other faiths and it is very essential for the purpose of promoting communal harmony and better understanding to live together in this world. This will go a long way to spread correct knowledge about history, traditions and culture of all religions.

Islam is not a religion of terrorism. Islam preaches peace tolerance and universal brotherhood like any other religion. Islam is being misunderstood as religion of violence and bloodshed, because of some handful anti-social elements. Just because of this, the whole religion should not be labeled as religion of terrorism. We all should whole-heartedly and strongly condemn terrorism in any form.

In conclusion I pray to Almighty God to keep us all under His special care and protection. ■



CA. D. Venkataraman
Salem
d.venkataraman@gmail.com

Audit of CBS Branches using Excel as an audit tool

The time granted to us for conducting the bank branch audit is very limited, when compared to the magnitude of the transactions that we have to go through in the course of our audit. For most of the times, we are clueless as how to proceed and conduct the audit. In our CBS branch audit, it would be highly productive, if we are able to get the data from the branch and analyse them in Excel. This article discusses the methodology of obtaining the data from CBS branches, import them into Excel and make further analysis using Excel. This article is based on Excel 2007.

Reason for choosing Excel as an audit tool

Excel is a spreadsheet program which is quite familiar to all of us. On an estimate, we are spending around 70% of our computer time in Excel in doing some sort of calculation or other. Apart from its great processing and analytical capabilities, Excel can also be used for documenting our works.

Excel in "List" format

The analytical power of Excel is effectively utilised by making Excel sheet conform to a "list" format. An Excel sheet is said to be in "list" format, if it consists of rows and columns of data structured in a specific manner. Some of the characteristics of an Excel sheet in "list" format are: i) every cell in a row contains the same category of data against that particular column, which is similar to a record in a database ii) the first row of the list contains a unique name at the top of each column iii) there cannot be a blank row or blank column in the list

but there can be blank cells in a row and iv) the cells are not merged.

Once the Excel sheet fulfills these conditions, then we can very easily do a lot of things such as sorting, filtering, constructing pivot tables, sub-totaling, conditional formatting etc. Even though, logins are provided by the branch to the auditors to the bank's computer systems, the analysis and documentation which are done using Excel are very extensive.

This article has three sections –

- I. Obtaining Data from Branches,
- II. Importing Data into Excel and
- III. Data Analysis using Excel

file. Once we extract the .gz file, we get the relevant text file.

Such an extracted text file is nothing but a print format of the report file for various items such as loans, deposits, exception reports etc. For example, the text file relating to Loans, which is the print format of the Loans report file, normally contains data under the headings customer number, account number, customer name, drawing power, outstanding balance etc., as on a particular day. Other report files contain relevant headings and data as applicable to that respective report.

Extracted Loans Text File

CUSTOMER NO.	ACCTT NO.	HEAD OF ACCOUNT	NAME OF CUSTOMER	SANCTION LIMIT	INTT RATE	DRAWING POWER	OUTSTANDING BAL	IRREGULAR A
412088888	911700478	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SULESH C.	50,000.00	13.25	43,671.00	48,741.00	1,064.00
412317176	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	41,500.00	13.25	49,418.00	41,305.00	0.00
SECTION TOTAL				91,500.00		93,089.00	90,046.00	1,064.00
412317176	915982631	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	40,000.00	13.25	33,797.00	32,957.00	0.00
SECTION TOTAL				40,000.00		33,797.00	32,957.00	0.00
443991423	911700478	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. CHANDRA B.	40,000.00	13.25	31,219.00	4,399.00	0.00
4126819124	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	53,000.00	13.25	51,036.00	54,905.00	0.00
443991423	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SURESH P.	44,000.00	13.25	43,418.00	41,305.00	25,749.00
443991423	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	50,000.00	13.25	4,399.00	1,398.00	0.00
443121436	911221794	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	41,700.00	13.25	4,399.00	1,398.00	1,498.00
4434343022	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	41,000.00	13.25	3,967.00	3,088.00	0.00
SECTION TOTAL				3,47,750.00		34,944.00	1,07,469.00	29,458.00
412496232	915982631	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. TNEESH V.	48,000.00	13.25	49,083.00	47,074.00	0.00
412628888	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. VIVEKA A.	39,000.00	13.25	38,037.00	38,000.00	0.00

- I. Obtaining "Data" from Branches
- II. Importing Data (the text file) into Excel

The Central Data Processing Centre of the Bank, after the day-end processing is over, sends a zip file to the respective Branch, covered by CBS, on a daily basis. The zip file which is in the form of "yyymmdd.zip" contains files with an extension ".gz" and such .gz files in turn contain text files. These zip files are normally stored in a directory called "Reports". We can use either WinZip or 7-Zip program to extract the zip file as well as the .gz

Text import wizard

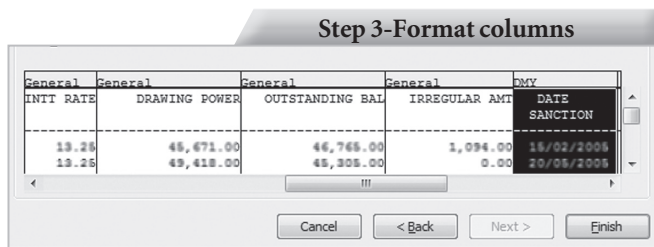
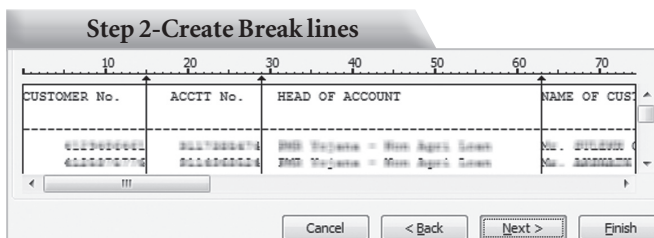
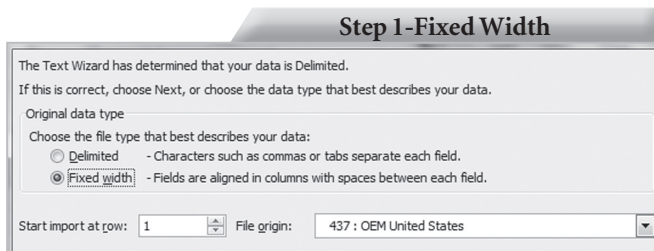
Open the previously extracted text file by using Excel's File – Open - Text Files option. Then Excel will show us the Text Import Wizard which involves three steps:

- Step1: Select Fixed Width option
- Step2: Introduce break lines by clicking at the appropriate places in the text file to create columns. For example, in the Loans text file, columns are created for customer number, account number, customer name, drawing power, outstanding balance etc. If we spend a few minutes browsing the text file, we would be able to grasp the logic of creating meaningful columns. We can very easily create/delete/modify the break lines by clicking, double clicking or pressing Click and Drag.

Excel in List Format

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
MY SNO.	CUSTOMER No.	ACCTT No.	HEAD OF ACCOUNT	NAME OF CUSTOMER	SANCTION LIMIT	INTT RATE	DRAWING POWER	OUTSTANDING B
1	412088888	911700478	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SULESH C.	50000.00	13.25	43671.00	48741.00
2	412317176	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	41500.00	13.25	49418.00	41305.00
3	412317176	915982631	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	40000.00	13.25	33797.00	32957.00
4	443991423	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. CHANDRA B.	40000.00	13.25	11219.00	4399.00
5	4126819124	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	53000.00	13.25	51036.00	54905.00
6	443991423	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SURESH P.	44000.00	13.25	43418.00	41305.00
7	443991423	911303481	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. ANJATHA T.	50000.00	13.25	4399.00	1398.00
8	443121436	911221794	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	41700.00	13.25	4399.00	1398.00
9	4434343022	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. SHANMUG M.	41000.00	13.25	3967.00	3088.00
10	412496232	915982631	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. TNEESH V.	48000.00	13.25	49083.00	47074.00
11	412628888	911438824	PNR Yojana - Non Agri Loan	MR. VIVEKA A.	39000.00	13.25	38037.00	38000.00

Step 3 – Format columns as Text or Date wherever required. For example, columns such as Date of Sanction or Date of Maturity require to be formatted as Date.



Create column headings

We have introduced break lines in the text files and have created columns. If necessary, we have to correct the column headings to make them correspond to the data that they hold. Then copy those headings to a separate sheet for future action.

Then save file as an Excel File.

Create working copy

Once the text file is imported into a sheet, keep that sheet as the 'source sheet' and create a copy of the 'source sheet' in another sheet by right clicking at the sheet tab and then click Move or Copy - Create a Copy. This action creates a new copy of the 'source sheet' and may be renamed as Working for further calculations.

Remove unwanted rows

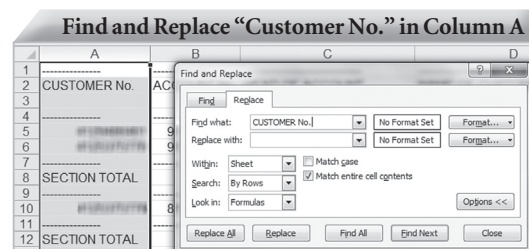
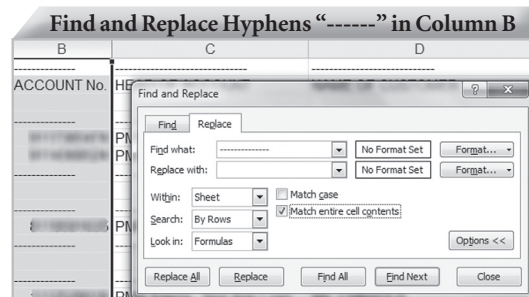
The next step is to identify and remove the unwanted rows so as to make the sheet as a "list". If the cell(s) in any row does not contain relevant data against that column headings and category, then that particular row is unwanted. After identifying the rows that we do not want, we then look for a common cell value in those rows.

For example, when we import the Loans text file, we do not want the rows that contain "-----" or "Customer No." or "Drawing Power" etc. In other words, we want to retain only those rows that contain data, which are similar to records in a database.

The methodology

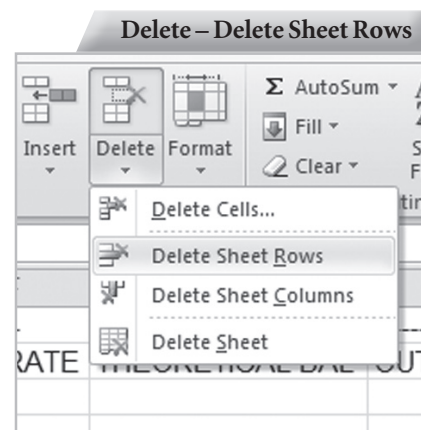
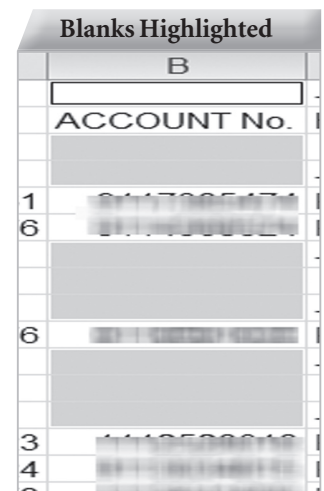
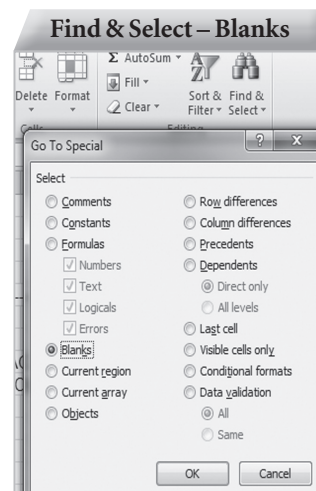
This procedure is very crucial and at the same time is very simple. In the Loans import sheet, we look for, let us say, in Column B for certain number of hyphens: "-----". Then we select column B, Find those hyphens: "-----" and Replace

(Ctrl + h) them with blanks. Remember to click "Match entire cell contents" in the "Find and Replace" menu.



Deleting blank rows

After replacing the hyphens with blanks (in column B), select column B, and from Home tab go to the Editing menu - Find & Select - Go To Special - Select - Blanks - Ok. Now the blanks will be highlighted (by a different colour) in column B. The next step is to go to the Cells menu - Delete - Delete Sheet Rows.



In column B, the above steps, i) replaced the cell values with blanks for hyphens ii) selected and highlighted the blanks and iii) deleted the rows that were highlighted as blank. Now we will see that Excel is beginning to take the shape of a "list".

Then we delete those rows that contain "Customer Number" or "Section Total" etc., say, from Column A by repeating the above steps. There may also be other unwanted rows and they could be deleted in this manner.

These steps also remove the row in which we had the neatly formatted column headings. To bring back the column headings, insert a row at the top, and copy the column headings which we had previously copied and pasted in a new sheet (refer Para: "Create column headings").

Find and Replace commas

The text files contain commas for "lakhs" and "crores" rupee values and Excel retains the commas in the cells as it does not handle Indian rupee format. In order to remove those commas, select the columns that are having numerical values - Find for "," & Replace with Blanks and format those columns as numbers.

Inserting new columns

Then Insert a new column at, say, column A and name the column as "My S.No." and fill the rest of the column with serial numbers 1,2,3 etc. Even if sorting operations are done on any other columns, we can always bring back the sheet to the original level by sorting on the column "My S.No.". We may also insert a new column at the end and

name it "My comments" which would facilitate us to record our observations on that particular account and this in turn help us in documenting our work.

To make the top row distinct, make it Bold and also for easy reference, freeze the top row by using the command – View – Freeze Panes – Freeze Top rows.

Now we have got a neatly formatted Excel sheet in List format which can effectively be subjected to Data Analysis.

Before we proceed to analyse the data, we need to check whether the totals that we arrive out in Excel sheet for the numeric fields are tallying with the print report of the respective text file. Normally, these grand totals are found at the end of the text file. In case, a total is mismatching, we have to recheck the procedures that we had so far carried out.

III. Data Analysis using Excel

Once we have the imported text file in Excel that conforms to the "list" format, then we can conduct a lot of audit tests. Some audit tests are enumerated here.

Loans and Advances Tests on Outstanding balance

Risk based audit is done by sorting on the column "outstanding balance"; - Data - Sort by Column – "outstanding balance" – Sort Values - Largest to Smallest order. In many of the branches, top 100 accounts, account for not less than 50% to 60% of the total outstanding under Loans. Further tests for NPA position, documentation, interest applied, renewal details etc., could be done for these large accounts and comments noted in "My Comments" column.

Tests on Interest rates

Filter the "Interest rate" column for checking the interest rates applied to the Loan accounts. It may throw out interesting results such as 0% rates applied to regular accounts or at times interests are also applied to NPA accounts.

Other Tests

More tests can be conducted on columns that contain Irregular Amounts, Sanction Date, Term / EMI etc.

Tests under Deposits

Tests on Deposit Balances, Interest Rates, Maturity Date, Dormant, Inoperative Status etc., may be done.

Tests on other Reports

Several tests can be conducted on other reports such as CC, OD, NPA Position, Irregular Term Loans, Interest variation, Limit/Securities Expiring, Exception Reports etc.

Pivot table is another great tool which is very much useful for making further analysis and the same can be very easily created from the Excel sheet which is in list format.

The procedures described here are only indicative and the naming convention of the columns and the style of the report may vary from bank to bank.

The article has attempted to introduce the concepts that i) zip files containing the data in text files are very much available with the branch ii) there is a possibility of converting such text files as Excel files and iii) data analysis in Excel on various reports are possible. These would really add value to our audit. ■

CPE SEMINAR ON CENTRAL STATUTORY AUDIT OF BANKS

Friday- March 11, 2011 -Timings: 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
Venue: The Raintree Hotel, 636, Anna Salai, Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018

CPE Credit
6
HOURS

Inauguration - 09.30 a.m.

Key Note Address - Concerns of The Regulator

- Role of the CSA and
- Divergence in Asset Classification
- On Exposure to Sensitive Sectors
- On Restructure
- On Compliance with RBI Directives

Shri Sathyam David
General Manager, RBI, Mumbai

DELEGATE FEE : ₹ 2500/-

The Cheque/Demand Draft may be drawn in favour of 'SIRC of ICAI' payable at Chennai and the same may be sent to Senior Assistant Secretary, SIRC of ICAI, "ICAI Bhawan", No. 122, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam Chennai – 600 034

Registration - 09.00 a.m.

Any queries on any issue relating to the Central Statutory Audit may be sent to sirc@icai.in, well in advance.

Technical Sessions

Issues Under Forex Transactions

- Nostro Reconciliation
- Forward Contracts
- Foreign Branch Consolidation
- Provision for Country Risk
- Exposure to derivatives

Shri. K.R. Srivarahan, Member-Faculty
IOB Staff College, Chennai

Taxation Issues

- Treatment of taxes paid by Overseas Branches
- Setting off taxes paid Overseas against MAT
- Sec.195 and Payments to Overseas Consultants, International Credit Card Service Providers, Application Software Purchases, to Payment Portals, etc.,
- Impact of the decision of Apex Court in the case of Vijaya Bank Regarding Treatment of Provisioning of Loan Losses vis-à-vis Sec.36(1) (VII) and Sec. 36 [1] (VIIA) And Tax Provisioning In Books

CA. P. Anand, Chennai

Stray Thoughts On Finalisation-Panel Discussion

Moderator: **CA. M. Naganathan**, Chennai

Panelists:

Are the CSAs effectively using the limited reviews/ LFAR etc.?

CA. Venugopal C Govind, Kochi

Role of The CSA as perceived by the Board

CA. K.S. Srinivasan, Chennai

Importance of Audit Planning

CA. K.R. Ratnam, Chennai

Computation of Capital Adequacy Norms under BASEL - II

CA. C.R. Sundararajan, Chennai

Secretary
SIRC

Chairman
SIRC

MEMBERS OF THE STANDING AND NON-STANDING COMMITTEES OF ICAI FOR THE YEAR 2011-12 FROM THE SOUTHERN REGION**CA. G RAMASWAMY, PRESIDENT, ICAI**

Executive Committee	
Examination Committee	
Finance Committee	
Disciplinary Committee (Under Section 21D)	
Board of Discipline (under Section 21A)	Presiding Officer
Disciplinary Committee (under Section 21B)	Presiding Officer
Disciplinary Committee - Satyam Bench (U/S 21B)	Presiding Officer
International Affairs Committee	Chairman
Public Interest Advisory Committee	Chairman
Vision & Perspective Planning Committee	Chairman
ICAI-ICWAI-ICSI Coordination Committee	Leader
Editorial Board	Editor
Accounting Standards Board	Member-Ex-officio
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member-Ex-officio
Board of Studies	Member-Ex-officio
Committee for Capacity Building of CA Firms & Small and Medium Practitioners	Member-Ex-officio
Committee For Co-Operatives And NGO Sectors	Member-Ex-officio
Committee for Members in Entrepreneurship & Public Services	Member-Ex-officio
Committee for Members in Industry	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Accounting Standards for Local Bodies	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Banking, Insurance & Pension	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Economic & Commercial Laws and Trade	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Financial Markets & Investors' Protection	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Information Technology	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on International Taxation	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Management Accounting	Member-Ex-officio
Committee on Public Finance & Government Accounting	Member-Ex-officio
Continuing Professional Education Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Corporate Laws & Corporate Governance Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Direct Taxes Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Ethical Standards Board	Member-Ex-officio
Expert Advisory Committee	Member-Ex-officio
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Indirect Taxes Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Internal Audit Standards Board	Member-Ex-officio
Professional Development Committee	Member-Ex-officio
Research Committee	Member-Ex-officio

CA. M. DEVARAJA REDDY

Committee on International Taxation	Vice-Chairman
Committee for Members in Entrepreneurship & Public Services	Vice Chairman
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member
Board of Discipline (under Section 21A)	Member
Committee on Management Accounting	Member
Direct Taxes Committee	Member
Editorial Board	Member
Examination Committee	Member
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member
International Affairs Committee	Member
Professional Development Committee	Member
Public Interest Advisory Committee	Member

CA. MADHUKAR N. HIREGANGE

Indirect Taxes Committee	Vice – Chairman
Board of Studies	Member
Committee for Members in Industry	Member
Committee on Economic & Commercial Laws and Trade	Member
Committee on Public Finance & Government Accounting	Member
Continuing Professional Education Committee	Member
Editorial Board	Member
Examination Committee	Member
Peer Review Board	Member
Professional Development Committee	Member
Research Committee	Member
Vision & Perspective Planning Committee	Member

CA. V. MURALI

Board of Studies	Chairman
Committee on Banking, Insurance & Pension	Chairman
Ethical Standards Board	Vice - Chairman
Accounting Standard Board	Member
Audit Committee	Member
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member
Committee for Members in Entrepreneurship & Public Services	Member
Committee for Members in Industry	Member
Continuing Professional Education Committee	Member
Corporate Laws & Corporate Governance Committee	Member
Direct Taxes Committee	Member
Editorial Board	Member
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member

CA. K. RAGHU

Committee for Members in Industry	Chairman
Peer Review Board	Vice - Chairman
Committee for Co-Operatives and NGO Sectors	Member
Committee for Members in Entrepreneurship & Public Services	Member
Committee on Information Technology	Member
Committee on Management Accounting	Member
Editorial board	Member
ICAI-ICWAI-ICSI Coordination Committee	Member
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member
International Affairs Committee	Member
Professional Development Committee	Member
Vision & Perspective Planning Committee	Member

CA. RAJENDRA KUMAR P.

Internal Audit Standards Board	Vice - Chairman
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member
Committee for Members in Industry	Member
Committee on Information Technology	Member
Committee on Public Finance & Government Accounting	Member
Continuing Professional Education Committee	Member
Disciplinary Committee (Under Section 21D)	Member
Ethical Standard board	Member
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member
Indirect Taxes Committee	Member
Professional Development Committee	Member
Research Committee	Member

CA. S. SANTHANAKRISHNAN

Corporate Laws & Corporate Governance Committee	Chairman
Committee on Information Technology	Chairman
Accounting Standards Board	Vice Chairman
IFRS Implementation Committee	Vice Chairman
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member
Committee for Capacity Building of CA Firms & Small and Medium Practitioners	Member
Committee for Co-Operatives and NGO Sectors	Member
Committee on Banking, Insurance & Pension	Member
Peer Review Board	Member
Public Interest Advisory Committee	Member
Research Committee	Member
Vision & Perspective Planning Committee	Member

CA. J. VENKATESWARLU

Committee on Accounting Standards for Local Bodies	Chairman
Expert Advisory Committee	Vice - Chairman
Accounting Standard Board	Member
Auditing & Assurance Standards Board	Member
Board of Studies	Member
Committee on Management Accounting	Member
Committee on Public Finance & Government Accounting	Member
Direct Taxes Committee	Member
Disciplinary Committee - Satyam Bench (U/S 21B)	Member
IFRS Implementation Committee	Member
Indirect Taxes Committee	Member
Internal Audit Standards Board	Member
Public Interest Advisory Committee	Member



Group Photograph of Chairman & Office Bearers of SIRC of ICAI with CA. G. Ramaswamy, President, ICAI, CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah, Vice-President, ICAI.



Group Photograph of Chairman and Office Bearers of SIRC of ICAI with President, Vice-President, Central Council Members of ICAI and Regional Council Members of SIRC.



Group Photograph of Chairmen of Branches of SIRC of ICAI with Chairman, other Office Bearers and Members of SIRC of ICAI.

NEWLY ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND OFFICE BEARERS OF SIRC OF ICAI FOR THE YEAR 2011-12



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram assumes the Office of Chairman of SIRC on February 20, 2011 at Chennai in the presence of CA. G. Ramaswamy, President, ICAI, CA. Jaydeep Narendra Shah, Vice-President, ICAI. (L-R): CA. Rajendra Kumar P, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. S. Murali, Secretary, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, Member, SIRC, CA. M. Devaraja Reddy and CA. K. Raghu, Central Council Members, ICAI.



Group Photograph of Chairman & Office Bearers of SIRC of ICAI with Staff of ICAI, Chennai.



Inaugural Session of the Public Meeting on Union Budget 2011. (L-R): CA. P.R. Aruloli, Member, SIRC, Dr. Pravin P. Shah, Mumbai, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC, Shri V. Lakshmikumaran, Senior Advocate, New Delhi and CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member, SIRC.



Shri V. Lakshmikumaran
Advocate, New Delhi

Resource Persons



Dr. Pravin P. Shah
Mumbai



Chief Guest Shri. Ma. Subramanian, Worshipful Mayor of Chennai being received by CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, SIRC of ICAI, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. P.R. Aruloli, then Treasurer, SIRC, CA.V. Murali, Central Council Member, ICAI and Shri. Y.S. Rawat, Senior Deputy Secretary, ICAI on the occasion of Convocation function of ICAI held at Chennai on January 9, 2011.



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC vaccinating a child with polio drops on February 27, 2011 at the Polio Drop Vaccination Camp at Chennai sponsored by Rotary Club of Chennai Phoenix. Others seen are CA. P.R. Aruloli, Member, SIRC and Office Bearers of Rotary Club of Chennai Phoenix.



Panel Discussion on Union Budget 2011 held on February 28, 2011 at Chennai. (L-R): CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, Treasurer, SIRC, CA. V. Pattabhi Ram, Chennai CA. G. Narayanaswamy, Past Central Council Member, ICAI, Resource Persons, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC, CA. V. Jagadisan, Past Central Council Member, ICAI, Resource Person, CA. P.R. Aruloli and CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Members, SIRC.



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC addressing the students of GMCS on February 22, 2011 at Chennai. (L-R): Shri. Y.S. Rawat, Senior Deputy Secretary, ICAI, CA. (Dr.) P. Govindarajan, Faculty, CA. P.R. Aruloli, Member, SIRC, Shri. P. Ravindran, and CA.G. Sivaprakash, Faculty.



Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali, the Prince of Arcot inaugurating the 32nd S. Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture & CPE Seminar at Chennai on Feb. 19, 2011. (L-R): CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Member, CA. M. Bheema Bhat, Past Chairman, SIRC, CA. V.X. Jose, Member, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, CA. P.R. Aruloli, then Treasurer, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member, CA. C.S. Srinivas, Member of SIRC, Adv. Sailesh Seth, Mumbai, CA. G.V.V. Satyanarayana, Member, SIRC and CA. Kishore B. Karia, Mumbai.

Resource Persons



Nawab Mohammed Abdul Ali, the Prince of Arcot



Adv. Sailesh Seth
Mumbai



CA. Kishore B. Karia
Mumbai



CA. M.P. Vijay Kumar
Chennai

CPE STUDY CIRCLE MEETINGS

in the month of February 2011 at SIRC, Chennai

Feb. 2, 2011



CA. D.M.Suresh
Bengaluru

Feb. 9, 2011



CA. Abraham Zachariah
Chennai

Feb. 17, 2011



CA. L. Arun
Chennai

Feb. 17, 2011



Shri Vishnu Giri
Bengaluru

Feb. 23, 2011



CA. V. Alagappan
Trichy



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC addressing the members at the Installation function of New Office Bearers for the year 2011-12 and CPE Seminar on February 23, 2011 at Salem. (L-R): CA. G. Goudhaman, Immediate Past Chairman, CA. M. Sekar, Chairman, Salem Branch, CA. S. Murali, Secretary, SIRC and CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member, SIRC.



CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, Chairman, SIRC addressing the members on the occasion of Installation function of New Office Bearers of Calicut Branch during his official visit to the Branch. (L-R): CA. Shaju Sebastian, Vice-Chairman, CA. K. Ramesh, Immediate Past Chairman, CA. P. Sankarankutty, Chairman, CA. Ranjani Umesh, Secretary, CA. T.N. Sujith Kumar, Treasurer of Calicut Branch, CA. Ravi Chandrashakhar, Chairman, Calicut SICASA and CA. A.P. Vinod Kumar.



CA. Babu Abraham Kalliyayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurated the SICASA Champions League Twenty-20 Cricket Match on February 19, 2011 at Chennai as part of the Sports events Zealous-2011 organised by SICASA in the presence of CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member, SIRC, CA. V. Thulasidharan, Chennai, SICASA Office Bearers and students.



CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI and CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI honoured during their visit to the Belgaum Branch on February 6, 2011. (L-R): CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. C.S. Srinivas, Member, Belgaum Br., CA. N.V. Kawale, then Vice-Chairman, CA. S. Sanjay, then Member, Belgaum Br., CA. K. Raghu, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kalliyayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. B.B. Chandargi, then Chairman, CA. Rajendra B. Joshi, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. Nitin S. Hiremath, then Secretary and CA. V.G. Patil, then Treasurer of Belgaum Br.

TWO DAY CONFERENCE ON BANKING & INSURANCE

ORGANISED BY BANKING & INSURANCE COMMITTEE OF SIRC

HOST : HYDERABAD BR. OF SIRC OF ICAI - FEB. 04 & 05, 2011 - HYDERABAD



Inaugural Session of the Conference. (L-R): CA. Gelli Dayakar, then Secretary, CA. C. Venkatram, then Chairman of Hyderabad Br., **Shri Radhakrishnan Nair, Member, IRDA**, CA. P.R. Suresh, then Chairman, Banking & Insurance Committee, SIRC, CA. J. Venkateswarlu, Central Council Member, ICAI and CA. V. Naresh Chandra Gelli, Member, SIRC & Ex-Officio Members, Hyderabad Br.

Resource Persons



CA. K. Ravi
Chennai



CA. D. Venkataraman
Salem



CA. L. Venkatesan
Chennai



CA. S.N. Jayasimhan
JD(Investments)
IRDA, Hyderabad



CA. P.S. Prabhakar
Chennai



CA. R. Vittal Raj
Chennai

Seminar on Banking & Insurance

organized by

Banking & Insurance Committee of SIRC of ICAI

Hosted by



Inaugural Session of the Conference. (L-R): CA. S.N. Jayasimhan, Joint Director (Investments), IRDA, Hyderabad, CA. K. Babu, then Secretary, Bangalore Br., **Shri Radhakrishnan Nair, Member, IRDA**, CA. H. Shambu Sharma, then Chairman, Bangalore Br., CA. P.R. Suresh, then Chairman, Banking & Insurance Committee, SIRC and CA. T.R. Venkatesh Babu, then Vice-Chairman, Bangalore Br.

ONE DAY SEMINAR ON BANKING & INSURANCE

ORGANISED BY BANKING & INSURANCE COMMITTEE OF SIRC OF ICAI

HOST : BANGALORE BRANCH OF SIRC - FEB. 9, 2011 - BENGALURU

Resource Persons



CA. S.N. Jayasimhan
JD(Investments)
IRDA, Hyderabad



CA. D. Venkataraman
Salem



CA. P.S. Prabhakar
Chennai



CA. P.R. Suresh
Bengaluru



CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI inaugurating the Decennial Celebrations of Udupi Branch of SIRC of ICAI on February 5, 2011 at Udupi in the presence of CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. K. Raghu, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. C.S. Srinivas, Ex-Officio Member, Udupi Br. & Member, SIRC, CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. T.N. Manoharan, Past President, ICAI, CA. K. Rajaram Shetty, then Chairman, Office Bearers, Managing Committee Members, Past Chairmen of Udupi Br.



CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President ICAI inaugurating the 1st Floor of ICAI Bhawan of Hubli Branch on February 6, 2011 in the presence of CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. K. Raghu, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, Ex-Officio Member, Hubli Br & then Secretary, SIRC, CA. C.S. Srinivas, Member, SIRC, CA. S.R. Bhandiwad, then Chairman, then Office-Bearers, Managing Committee Members and Members of Hubli Branch.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurating Bellary Branch of SICASA on February 7, 2011 at Bellary. (L-R): CA. Venkatalakshmi Sontha, then Treasurer, CA. K.V. Chandrappa, then Chairman of Bellary Branch, CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. S. Panna Raj, CA.J. Jayaprakash Gupta, Past Chairmen, Bellary Br., CA. B.K. Anil Kumar, then Secretary, CA. K. Rajasekhar, then Member, CA. Y. Ramesh, then Vice-Chairman of Bellary Br.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurated Kumbakonam Branch of SICASA on February 14, 2011 during his official visit to Kumbakonam Branch. (L-R): Sitting: CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. P.R. Suresh, Member, SIRC, CA. B. Venkatesan, then Chairman, Kumbakonam Branch, CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Ex-Officio Member, Kumbakonam Br. & Member, SIRC and Standing: Students of Kumbakonam Br.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurating Pondicherry Branch of SICASA on February 14, 2011 at Puducherry in the presence of CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. P.R. Aruloli, Ex-Officio Member, Pondicherry Br. & then Treasurer, SIRC, CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member, SIRC, CA. R. Selvam, then Chairman, Office Bearers and Managing Committee Members of Pondicherry Br.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurating Tirupati Branch of SICASA on February 15, 2011 at Tirupati in the presence of CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA & Ex-Officio Member, Tirupati Br., CA. V. Kamalakar, then Chairman, CA. C. Mohan Reddy, then Vice-Chairman, CA. M.C. Venkatanath, then Secretary of Tirupati Br., Shri R. Ramanujam, Member, SICASA and Shri K. Sudeep, Student of Tirupati Br.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurating Tirupur Branch of SICASA on February 16, 2011 at Tirupur. (L-R): CA. S. Murali, Ex-Officio Member, Tirupur & then Member, SIRC, CA. P. Kothandapani, Past Chairman, Tirupur Br., CA. M. Kandasami, Past Chairman, SIRC, CA. R.M. Senthilkumar, Immediate Past Chairman, Tirupur Br., CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. S. Sarangarajan, Past Chairman and CA. K.S. Kalyana Raman, Chairman of Tirupur Br.



CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC inaugurating Udupi Branch of SICASA on February 5, 2011 at Udupi in the presence of CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, then Chairman, SICASA, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. C.S. Srinivas, Ex-Officio Member, Udupi Br. & Member, SIRC, CA. K. Rajaram Shetty, then Chairman, Office Bearers, Managing Committee Members, Past Chairmen of Udupi Br.



CA. Hari Govind Ganesan
Pondicherry
gharig@gandco-ca.com

Point of Taxation Rules, 2011- A clear Case calling for a re-look

With the levy of service tax in force since 1994, the Honorable Finance Minister has probably felt that this law has come of age and hence probably has thought it fit to have a re-look at the provisions relating to the point of taxation of service.

“Point of Taxation rules, 2011” (referred to as “POT”) has been notified by the Central Government on 01.03.2011 and the rules contained therein shall be effective from 01.04.2011.

In his budget speech, the Honorable Finance Minister has stated that the following is one of the areas proposed to achieve a closer fit between the provisions of service tax and GST:

“Adoption of Point of Taxation which would shift the basis for tax collection from “cash” towards “accrual” basis as with Central Excise Duty.” This intent has been translated into Notification No.18 / 2011 – Service Tax dt. 01.03.2011. The extract from memorandum explaining the proposed amendments is reproduced below:

“These rules determine the point in time when the services shall be deemed to be provided. The general rule will be that the time of provision of service will be the earliest of the following dates:

- i. Date on which service is provided or to be provided
- ii. Date of invoice
- iii. Date of payment”

In short, the gist of these rules notified read with the proposed amendment in the Service tax rules, 1994 is that the time-tested principle of “realization based collection of tax” has been given a go by and the collection of tax is pre-poned to the point of accrual or billing, in a case where the receipt

“Adoption of Point of Taxation which would shift the basis for tax collection from “cash” towards “accrual” basis as with Central Excise Duty.”



towards services is effected post accrual or post billing. This appears to be only a hybrid method framed for collecting taxes at the earliest point in time as it does not fall either under either cash system (based on actual realization) or under accrual system (based on actual rendering of services). If this proposal is considered as a prelude to GST as explained by the Honorable Finance Minister, it remains to be seen whether the Government contemplates adopting of such a hybrid method of taxation under GST.

This article attempts to bring out the present position of law, the changes that are being brought about with the introduction of the notification explaining their lacunae and the hardships that the assesseees (service providers) are bound to face which are the reasons why a re-look for this notification has to be sought.

Point of taxation - The present position

Under Rule 6 of the Service Tax Rules, 1994, service tax is to be paid by the 6th day of the Month or by 31st of March, if the duty is deposited electronically through internet banking; and by the 5th day of the Month or 31st of March, in any other case, immediately **following the calendar month / Quarter in which the payments are received**, towards the value of taxable services. The following **table-1** brings out the due dates under the various situations possible:

Further, no service tax shall be payable on any receipt of payment towards the value of services attributable to services provided during the period when such services were not taxable.

Point of taxation -The position if proposed amendment becomes law

- (a) The invoice, bill or challan shall be raised by the service provider within 14 days of the “provision of” service and

Table -1

Type of assessee	Period	Mode of Payment	Due Date
Individuals, Proprietary Firm, Partnership Firm	Quarter ending 31 st March	Any mode	31 st March [Last day of the quarter in which payments towards taxable services are received]
	Other than quarter ending 31 st March	E-payment	6 th day of the month subsequent to the quarter in which payments towards taxable services are received
Other than e-payment		5 th day of the month subsequent to the quarter in which payments towards taxable services are received	
Others	March	Any mode	31 st March [Last day of the month in which payments towards taxable services are received]
		E-payment	6 th day of the month subsequent to the month in which payments towards taxable services are received
	Other than March	Other than e-payment	5 th day of the month subsequent to the month in which payments towards taxable services are received

not “completion” thereof. (Amended Rule 4A of Service Tax Rules)

- (b) The rate of tax shall be the rate prevailing at the time when the services are deemed to have been provided. (Insertion of new Rule 5B of Service Tax Rules)
- (c) Under the amended Rule 6 of the Service Tax Rules, service tax is to be paid by the 6th day of the Month or by 31st of March, if the duty is deposited electronically through internet banking; and by the 5th day of the Month or 31st of March, in any other case, immediately **following the calendar month/ Quarter in which the service is deemed to be provided.** The following table - 2 brings out the due dates under the various situations possible:

Type of assessee	Period	Mode of Payment	Due Date
Individuals, Proprietary Firm, Partnership Firm	Quarter ending 31 st March	Any mode	31 st March (Last day of the quarter in which service is deemed to be provided)
	Other than quarter ending 31 st March	E-payment	6 th day of the month subsequent to the quarter in which service is deemed to be provided
		Other than e-payment	5 th day of the month subsequent to the quarter in which service is deemed to be provided
Others	March	Any mode	31 st March (Last day of the month in which service is deemed to be provided)
	Other than March	E-payment	6 th day of the month subsequent to the month in which service is deemed to be provided
		Other than e-payment	5 th day of the month subsequent to the month in which service is deemed to be provided

There is a possibility of credit (adjustment) for excess payment of service tax only in the following two circumstances:

- (1) When the assessee has refunded the payment or part thereof along with the service tax thereon **for the service to be provided** to the person from whom it was received or
- (2) When the assessee has issued a credit note for the value of **the service not so provided** to whom such an invoice was raised.

In other words, there seems to be no possibility of credit (adjustment) of excess payment of service tax when services had been performed fully or to the extent of value of services performed even when the dues in respect of such services provided become unrecoverable and even after they are written off in full or in part.

- (d) Now it is pertinent to understand when a service is deemed to be performed and for this, the various rules proposed under “POT” are analysed.

“Point of taxation” is the point in time when a service shall be deemed to have been provided.

As per **Rule 3** of “POT”, provision of service shall be treated as having taken place at the earliest of the following three points in time:

- when service is provided or to be provided;
- when an invoice for providing service is raised (or received in the case of import of services), to the extent of value included in the invoice;
- when a payment, either in part or in full, towards service provided or to be provided is received (or paid in the case of import of services), to the extent of value or advance received (or paid in the case of import of services), by whatever name called.

To explain the above better, an illustration is considered. In a case where a service has been provided say after 17th of March 201X but invoice has been raised on 01st of April 201X (well within the time frame provided under Rule 4A of service tax rules) and no payment has been received upto 31st March, the service tax has to be paid by 31st March 201X. The introduction of this rule does not foresee the genuine hardships that almost all assesseees are bound to face in culling out the details of amounts to be billed before the due date of payment to avoid interest and penal provisions.

As per **Rule 4**, when there is a change of rate of tax in respect of a service, Rule 3 does not apply and Point of taxation shall be determined in the following manner (Table - 3) depending on the order or sequence of the various events involved Viz., Provision of service (P), Receipt of payment (R), Issue of invoice (I) and whether such events are preceding / before (B) or are succeeding / after (A) the rate change:

Events Viz., Provision of service [P], Receipt of payment [R], Issue of invoice [I] whether Preceding / Before [B] or Succeeding / After [A] the rate change			Order or sequence of occurrence [1, 2 and 3] of events Viz., Provision of service [P], Receipt of payment [R], Issue of invoice [I]			Point of Taxation
P	R	I	P	R	I	
B	A	A	1	2	3	R
B	A	A	1	3	2	I
B	A	B	1	3	2	I
B	A	B	2	3	1	I
B	B	A	1	2	3	R
B	B	A	2	1	3	R
A	A	B	2	3	1	R
A	A	B	3	2	1	R
A	B	B	3	2	1	I
A	B	B	3	1	2	R
A	B	A	3	1	2	I
A	B	A	2	1	3	I

To explain the above rule better, a few hypothetical instances are considered:

Date of change in rate: 20.03.2012
Original rate: 10% Revised Rate: 8%

Date of provision of service	Date of receipt	Date of Invoice	Point of taxation	Rate Applicable
19.03.12	01.04.12	02.04.12	Receipt (01.04.12)	8%
18.03.12	Irrecoverable	01.04.12	Invoice (01.04.12)	8%
18.03.12	31.03.12	19.03.12	Invoice (19.03.12)	10%
19.03.12	02.04.12	18.03.12	Invoice (18.03.12)	10%
18.03.12	19.03.12	21.03.12	Receipt (19.03.12)	10%
19.03.12	18.03.12	01.04.12	Receipt (18.03.12)	10%
01.04.12	02.04.12	18.03.12	Receipt (02.04.12)	8%
01.04.12	31.03.12	19.03.12	Receipt (31.03.12)	8%
01.05.12	19.03.12	18.03.12	Invoice (18.03.12)	10%
01.05.12	18.03.12	19.03.12	Receipt (18.03.12)	10%
01.04.12	19.03.12	31.03.12	Invoice (31.03.12)	8%
31.03.12	19.03.12	01.04.12	Invoice (01.04.12)	8%

Also Rule 4 does not address the issue of determination of point of taxation when part receipt / billing / provision of service takes place (service not falling under Continuous Supply of Services). Another anomaly in rule 4 is that it does not consider situations relating to import of services where the events of provision of service, receipt of bill and payment therefor occur during periods having different tax rates in force.

Thus, the introduction of this rule is bound to confuse the assesseees and complicate matters having too many criteria (dates / options). Further, in any accrual system of accounting, advance receipts are never taxable (under excise or VAT), as explained earlier.

Rule 6 of “POT” deals with determination of point of taxation in the case of “continuous supply of service” (“CSS”). CSS means any service which is provided, or to be provided continuously, under a contract, for a period exceeding three months, or where the Central Government, by a notification in the Official Gazette, prescribes provision of a particular service to be a continuous supply of service, whether or not subject to any condition. Under Rule 6, provision of various portions of service under CSS shall be treated as having taken place at the earliest of the following three points in time:

- The date as specified in the contract for the whole or part of which is determined or payable as per the contract;
- when an invoice for providing service is raised (or received in the case of import of services), to the extent of value included in the invoice;
- when a payment, either in part or in full, towards service provided or to be provided is received (or paid in the case of import of services), to the extent of value or advance received (or paid in the case of import of services) for each such advance, by whatever name called.

Rule 5 deals with payment of tax on new services. Where a service (other than CSS) is taxed for the first time, then no tax shall be payable in the following two circumstances only:

- (1) If invoice has been issued and the payment received against such invoice

before such service became taxable to the extent of value contained in the invoice and

- (2) If the payment has been received before the service becomes taxable and invoice has been issued within the period 14 days (Rule 4A of Service Tax Rules, 1994) from the date of rendering of service.

To explain the above better, a few illustrations are considered.

Date from which the service becomes taxable: 01.07.2012

Date of provision of service	Date of receipt	Date of invoice	Whether taxable
30.06.2012	01.07.2012	01.07.2012	Yes
30.06.2012	30.06.2012	15.07.2012	Yes
30.06.2012	01.07.2012	30.06.2012	Yes

The introduction of this rule would cause a lot of hardships to assessee (especially small and those falling in the unorganized sector), as by the time they understand the intricacies of the above provisions of law, much damage in the form of exempt services being categorized as taxable services would have already happened.

Rule 7 deals with the determination of point of taxation in case of associated enterprises. “Associated enterprises” is defined in section 92A of the Income Tax Act, 1961. The point of taxation shall be the date the earliest of the following:

- The date on which the payment has been made
- The date on which invoice under rule 4A of the Service Tax Rules, 1994 has been issued

- The date of debit or credit in books of accounts of the person liable to pay service tax

Rule 8 deals with determination of point of taxation in case of copyrights, trademarks, designs or patents etc. When the whole amount of the consideration is not ascertainable when service is performed and the use or the benefit of these services gives rise to any payment of consideration subsequently, the service shall be treated as having been provided each time when a payment for use is received, or an invoice is issued, whichever is earlier.

As per **Rule 9**, the prescriptions contained in these rules do not apply for invoices raised prior to 01.04.2011. This is really a Saving clause as otherwise the service providers would have been taken aback during April 2011 when these draconian rules would have caught them unawares by making them pay up for the tax due on the entire receivables. Further, assuming that this notification becomes law, adequate care and caution has to be exercised and invoices for services provided before the end of March 2011 have to be raised before the end of March 2011 and appropriately included in the ST-3 returns also as the invoices if deferred and raised in April 2011 (though within the time frame provided under Rule 4A of the Service Tax Rules, 1994) is bound to attract the provisions of “POT”.

Conclusion

“POT” prescribed in the guise of making Service tax law “GST compatible” makes one infer that the Government is looking only at an early collection of their share / revenue without even looking into the certainty of recovery of service tax portion. Such rules if enacted would cause much damage and immense hardships to all law abiding assessee especially in the herculean task of determination of tax payable within due dates, the payment of tax even before receipt, non-provision of any relief for uncollected taxes and the anomalies cited earlier in this article.

It is high time that all the professional bodies rise to the occasion and bring out clearly the problems that would be faced by the service sector due to the plausible enactment of these “draconian” provisions so that a simple assessee friendly “POT” is finally made law. ■

REGIONAL RESIDENTIAL COURSE AT OOTY

Organised by SIRC of ICAI
Host: Coimbatore Branch of SIRC of ICAI

Technical Sessions on

- Audit Planning, Documentations and Current issues on Advances.
- L FAR, Tax Audit and other certificates.
- How to carry out an audit in short period? How to overcome Red flags in Bank audit?

Resource Persons

CA. M. Naganathan, Chennai
CA. P. Sharath Kumar, Hyderabad
CA. S. Ramesh, Chennai

The delegates will be issued a comprehensive Background Material comprising of all notifications issued by RBI and Checklist for Bank Audit. In-depth analysis of various facets of Bank Audit would be discussed in its entirety by the Resource persons.

DELEGATE FEE :

Residential
Members (Twin Sharing Basis) - ₹ 3700/-
Accompanying Spouse - ₹ 2900/-
Non-Residential
Members - ₹ 2100/-

Fees payable by DD/Cheque in favour of “Coimbatore Branch of SIRC of ICAI” payable at Coimbatore and send the same to the Chairman, Coimbatore Branch of SIRC of ICAI, MSS Memorial Building, No.8, D.B. Road, R.S. Puram, Coimbatore – 641002. Phone: 0422 – 2552872, Fax: 2547764, Email: coimbatore@icai.org

CPE Credit
12
HOURS

Friday to Sunday
March 18 to 20, 2011
Hotel Monarch

Programme Co-ordinators

Secretary, SIRC Chairman, Coimbatore Branch Chairman, SIRC

Tally RK Solutions



Power of Simplicity

Endless possibilities...

Authorized Tally Sales & Service Partner

NOW TALLY IS CUSTOMIZABLE TO ANY EXTENT

🎯 Highlights 🎯

- ♣ Hospital Management Module 
- ♣ Milk Dairy Management Module 
- ♣ Temple / Trust / Church Module
- ♣ School / College Module
- ♣ Schedule Wise Balance Sheet
- ♣ Audit Trail
- ♣ Dash Board
- ♣ Standard Payment Auto Entry
- ♣ Cost Centre Wise P & L, Balance Sheet
- ♣ Easy BRS
- ♣ Security Control
- ♣ Voucher Authorization
- ♣ Standard Narration
- ♣ Voucher Auto Numbering
- ♣ Cylinder / Barrel Tracking
- ♣ Payroll Customization

EXTENSIBLE CUSTOMIZATIONS OUTSIDE TALLY

🎯 Highlights 🎯

- ♣ Document Management Module for Tally
- ♣ Web Interface for Tally
- ♣ Tally Data Connectivity
- ♣ Tally Report Writer
- ♣ Sales Analysis Module
- ♣ Budget Report
- ♣ Payroll Processing
- ♣ BI Tool for Tally
- ♣ Sales Incentive Calculation
- ♣ Extended Outstanding Report
- ♣ Fixed Asset Software
- ♣ Web Interface for Educational Institutions
- ♣ Standard ERP with Connectivity to Tally
- ♣ Export Data from SQL / ORACLE / EXCEL etc to Tally

And much more...

Enterprise Solutions * Customizations * Data Connectivity * AMC * Support Services * Corporate Training * Sales

Head Office:

Plot No.209, Sarada Devi St, M.G.Nagar Phase - II & III

West Urappakkam, Chennai - 603 211

Tel/Fax: 044-27467278 Email: mani@tallysoftware.co.in

Web: www.rksolution.co.in

C.MANIGANDAN-9789495540

M.AKILA-9789495541

S.RAJESH-9791037239

Branch Offices:

Hyderabad : Mr. RAGHUKUMAR 09581147971

Bangalore: Mrs. ARUNA 09886378871



CA. G.V. Raman
Chennai
ramansaroja@hotmail.com

Legally Correct but Practically Unfair?

The Chennai Bench 'A' in the case of Deputy Commissioner of Income Tax Vs Seshasayee Paper and Boards Ltd., 125 ITD 111 has held that interest under section 244A should be assessed in the assessment year relevant to the previous year in which the refund was granted by the Department. In arriving at this decision they have placed reliance on Avada Trading Co. (P) Ltd., Vs. Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax 100 ITD 131 which is a special bench decision of the Mumbai Tribunal. In both the cases several decisions of the Supreme Court have been cited and especially E.D. Sassoon & Co. Ltd., Vs. Commissioner of Income Tax 26 ITR 27. There can be no two opinions about the principle that income accrues when the right to receive is acquired and such right can be said to have been acquired when an enforceable debt is created in favour of the assessee.

This legal principle is of course unassailable and having been blessed by the Apex Court is the law of the land.

Now let us look at the practical difficulties arising out of this. An assessee files a return claiming certain deductions as a result of which he is entitled to a refund. The Assessing Officer acting under section 143 (1) (a) finds no prima facie

defect and refunds the amount to the assessee together with interest under section 244A. The assessee immediately on receipt credits his P & L Account with the interest. The officer takes up the assessment for scrutiny and during the next financial year passes an order under section 143 (3) disallowing the deduction claimed. He withdraws the refund and also the interest granted to the assessee. To add to the assessee's woes, he also charges interest under section 234(B), 234 (C) & 234(D). The assessee has to now reverse the interest credited to the P & L Account since he is no longer legally entitled to receive the amount. It is not clear whether the assessee company can claim the interest withdrawn as expenditure in this assessment year especially as the Assessing Officer has charged interest u/s.234D on the refunded amount. The assessee files an appeal to CIT (Appeals) and the appeal is decided in the next assessment year upholding the contention of the assessee. The assessing officer revises the order and arrives at a refund and also grants interest u/s.244A to the assessee. The assessee has to credit the amount to his P & L account and offer it for assessment. The department files an appeal to

the ITAT and the ITAT decides after two years upholding the stand of the department. Again a revision order is passed withdrawing the refund and interest granted. The assessee has to debit the interest reversed and he may not be able to claim it as expenditure. The assessee files an appeal to the High Court and after three years the High Court decides in favour of the assessee resulting again in a revision order granting refund to the assessee together with interest under section 244A which is promptly offered for assessment by the assessee. The matter is taken to the Supreme Court by the department and the Supreme Court holds in favour of the department. The revision order results in withdrawal of the refund and the interest u/s.244A. The assessee debits his P & L account with such interest and he cannot claim it as expenditure. Now let us see practically what has happened.

The assessee has offered the interest on refund on three occasions, such interest being for the same assessment year for the same assessment and has been withdrawn later. He has debited the P & L account on three occasions for the same amount in respect of the same assessment year without getting any deduction. So the net result of all these transactions is that the assessee ends up paying tax on the same income thrice on an amount which ultimately does not accrue to him. Is he to file 154 application every time which very rarely gets attended by the assessing officers?. Is this not unjust enrichment by the Government. Is it the intention of the legislature to collect tax thrice on an interest when no interest has legally become the assessee's. The argument can not be dismissed on the ground that it is hypothetical as stated in the order of the ITAT. I can produce an actual case where the matter is pending before the High Court now.

You decide whether it is practically fair. ■

FILING OF INCOME TAX RETURNS - 2011-12 ASSESSMENT YEAR

OWN YOUR WEBSITE FOR ONLINE INCOME TAX FILING

RoboTax.in helps you to own a Income Tax e Filing website. You can approach large corporates / employers/payroll companies to assist in filing their employee income tax returns.

We take care of:

- Technology & Infrastructure
- Customer Support [By Chat, Phone and Email]
- End to End Online Income Tax Preparation & Filing

Advantages:

Bulk Form 16 Processing, automated e Filing, easy administration panel and pay per use model.

Only nominal signing fee

For more information visit : <http://www.robotax.in/TellMeMore>
Contact : Ms Narmadha +91 98400 86591 / 044-4212 6343.



swami@robotax.in

RoboTax.in

Advt.

SIRC OF ICAI CONGRATULATES

CA. N. MOHAN, FCA, Tiruchirappalli on his appointment as **Member of the State Advisory Committee on National Cadet Corps (NCC)** by the Government of Tamilnadu.

You Pay a premium for:

Life
Fire
Infrastructure
Theft
Flood
Medical
Vehicle

Insurance

...the list goes on

inspaceTM
Business Optimized

You Get a premium for:

Growth Insurance*

To know more, call our Growth Consultant
@ +91 - 98844 90860
hanand@inspacetech.com | www.inspacetech.com

To become our Business Partner in India, USA, Europe, and Middle East,
write to: partner@inspacetech.com

www.inspacetech.com

*Inspace Technologies is not an Insurance company.

SIRC OF ICAI CONGRATULATES THE AWARD WINNERS OF 2010**ICAI AWARDS 2010**

Criteria	Name of the Branch of SIRC of ICAI
Award for Best Branch – Big Size	Ernakulam
Award for Best Branch – Medium Size	Salem
Award for Highly commended Performance Certificate	Erode Tuticorin
Criteria	Name of the Branch of SICASA
Award for Best Students' Association	Ernakulam & Coimbatore jointly

SIRC AWARDS 2010

Category	Name of Best Branch of SIRC of ICAI	Name of Best Branch of SICASA
Award for Best Branch with Membership above 750	Bangalore & Hyderabad jointly	Bangalore
Award for Best Branch with Membership from 301 to 750	Trichur & Madurai jointly	Trichur
Award for Best Branch upto 300 Members	Tuticorin	Hubli

EXTENDED LIST OF RECOGNIZED COURSES FOR ADMISSION TO CPT

As per the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988 a candidate shall be registered for the Common Proficiency Test (CPT) if he has passed class 10th examination conducted by an examining body constituted by law in India or an examination recognized by the Central Government as equivalent thereto. Further, no candidate shall be admitted to the Common Proficiency Test (CPT) unless he is registered with the Board of Studies of the Institute and has appeared in the senior secondary examination (10+2) conducted by an examining body constituted by law in India or an examination recognized by the Central Government as equivalent thereto and has complied with such requirements as may be specified by the Council from time to time. However, enrolment for Integrated Professional Competence Course (IPCC) shall be made if a candidate has passed the Common Proficiency Test (CPT) and also senior secondary (10+2) examination conducted by an examining body constituted by law in India or an examination recognized by the Central Government as equivalent thereto.

With a view to mitigate the hardships being faced by certain categories of students/candidates, who have not passed 10+2 examination per se, but have completed such higher education/courses/examinations conducted by recognised authority/University etc. after having passed 10th class examination, as are specified by the Council, the Council of the Institute has resolved as under:-
“Resolved that by virtue of powers vested under Regulation 205 of the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988, the Council of the Institute hereby orders that candidates who have not passed 10 + 2 examination but have completed 2 years of higher education say, a Diploma Course after passing 10th class, conducted by State Government(s) or qualifications as recognized by the recognizing authority and later based on passing such a Course have either been admitted to first year of a graduation course or have passed the graduation course conducted by any University, including Open Universities, established by law in India be also considered eligible for admission to the Common Proficiency Test with effect from the date of implementation of the Common Proficiency Course”.

Accordingly, students/candidates who have successfully completed any of the above mentioned courses/examinations specified by the Council, are eligible for admission to the Chartered Accountancy Course, i.e., Integrated Professional Competence Course (IPCC), provided they have also passed the Common Proficiency Test (CPT) held on or after 13th September, 2006.

Director, Board of Studies

OBITUARY

Mem. No.	Name	Status	Place	Date of Death
003483	MR. SAMPATHKUMAR D	FCA	CHENNAI	16/12/2010
013530	MR. KAMALADHARAN K V	FCA	KOLLAM	05/02/2010
014721	MR. SURAYYA MAGETY	FCA	CHENNAI	28/12/2010
015866	MR. ALEXANDER K MATHEW	FCA	KOCHI	26/12/2010
020663	MR. GANESHAM N	FCA	HYDERABAD	30/12/2010
201141	MR. MUNUSAMI K	FCA	VILLUPURAM	19/01/2011
204739	MR. SIVASHANMUGAM K	FCA	ERODE	16/02/2011
206526	MR. MUKESH KUMAR	FCA	HYDERABAD	08/09/2010

May the Almighty Architect of the Universe rest their souls in peace.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**ATTENTION OF MEMBERS**

Kind attention of Members is invited to the revised schedule of Membership and related fee **effective from 01st April, 2011** as given below:-

Particulars of Fees	Revised Fee ₹
Membership Fee	1200
Entrance Fee	1800
Fellow Admission Fee	
Annual membership Fee	800
Associate Fee	2200
Fellow Fee	
Certificate of Practice Fee	2000
Restoration Fee	1200

Members who are senior citizens i.e. have attained the age of 65 years as on 1st April of the relevant year will be required to pay the fees at lower rates which is as under:-

Particular of Fees	Revised Fee ₹
Annual membership Fee	600
Associate Fee	1600
Fellow Fee	
Certificate of Practice Fee	1500

Members are requested to remit the fee for membership / Certificate of Practice / Fellow membership at the prescribed amount as applicable to them.

Members can pay their fee online by clicking online payments link on the homepage of www.icai.org

RESTORATION OF MEMBERSHIP & CERTIFICATE OF PRACTICE

The names of members who have not paid their Membership fee and/or Certificate of Practice fee for the year 2010-11 on or before 30.09.2010 are in the process of being removed and/or their Certificate of Practice are under cancellation. The removal notification and cancellation of Certificate of Practice notification w.e.f. 01.10.2010 are under issue.

Regulations provide for retrospective restoration of Membership and Certificate of Practice provided the application in the prescribed Form 9/101 (available on the website www.icai.org) complete in all respects, together with restoration fees of Rs.1,000/- is received by the Institute on or before 31.03.2011. Members falling within the jurisdiction of Southern Region should send their application to The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, ICAI Bhawan, No.122, MG Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034.

DISCLAIMER

The SIRC/ICAI does not accept any responsibility for the views expressed in different contributions / advertisements published in this Newsletter.

COACHING CLASSES & MODEL TESTS AT SIRC, CHENNAI**CPT Coaching Classes**

Two months Coaching Classes for
Common Proficiency Test (CPT)
for students appearing for June 2011
CPT Examination

Commences on Wednesday, April 6, 2011

Fee: ₹ 3,000/-

Timings

Batch	Monday to Friday
Morning Batch	07.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon
Evening Batch	03.30 p.m. to 08.30 p.m.
Saturdays Sundays	Between 07.00 a.m. and 08.00 p.m. (for both batches)

Model Tests for May, 2011 Examination

Model Tests will be conducted for the following subjects in PCC/IPCC and FINAL
as per schedule given below:

DATE	DAY	PCC/IPCC	FINAL
15/03/2011	Tuesday	Accounts (Group I)	Accounts
16/03/2011	Wednesday	Audit	MAFA
17/03/2011	Thursday	Law	Law
18/03/2011	Friday	Cost & FM	Costing
19/03/2011	Saturday	Income Tax	Direct Tax
21/03/2011	Monday	- - -	Indirect Tax

Fee : ₹ 75/- per paper

Time : 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

- Fee remittance at Syndicate Bank, Nungambakkam Branch, Chennai-34. Bank challan available at SIRC Office.
- Outstation students should remit fee by DD favouring "SIRC of ICAI" payable at Chennai. Fee and details (name, address, contact no. and Students Registration No.) to be sent to SIRC of ICAI, 122 MG Road, Chennai-34.
- For further details visit www.sircoficai.org Ph: 044-3021 0322 / 320 Email: sircclasses@icai.in; sirc@icai.in

Recent additions to Library**BOOKS****TAXATION, LAW**

Guide to the companies act Ed.17. 2010	A Ramaiya
Income tax law Vol.6A and 6B and 6C. Ed.5	Chaturvedi K
Post-search assessment : law and procedure 2010	Rajaratnam S
Guide to customs procedures 2010-11	Gururaj B N
Company rules and e-company forms	Taxmann
Job work under central excise 2010-11	Gururaj B N
Deduction of tax at source, advance tax and refunds (as amended by finance act 2010)	Singhania V K
CENVAT on goods and services	Gururaj B N
Practical guide to capital gains tax, securities transaction tax and gift tax 2010-11	Subramanian PL
Compendium of advance rulings on income tax with commentary	Ahuja G

ACCOUNTING STANDARDS, IFRS

I GAAP: Financial reporting standards in India including comparison with IFRS	CCH India
Interpretation and application of IFRS : for Indian companies 2010-11	Epstein B J
Complete guide for IFRS	Saini A L

OTHER SUBJECTS

Guide on tax audit	PL Subramanian
Handbook on internal auditing	Kamal Garg
Transfer pricing : law and practice in India	CCH India
Law and practice relating to securitization and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest	Umarji M R
Transfer pricing : law, procedure and documentation	Wahi V S
Guide to tax audit under section 44AB (as amended by the finance act, 2010)	Kamal Garg
Corporate governance : modules of best practices	I C S I
Corporate restructuring	Chandratre K R
Qualifications in auditor's report and disclosures on Accounting standards	Singhal Sanjeev

WE WISH YOU WELL MRS. S. RADHA

Retired on Superannuation on January 31, 2011



Mrs. S. Radha, Sweepress (Grade Senior Daftri), ICAI retired on superannuation on January 31, 2011 after 40 years (including her ad-hoc employment from 1970) of distinguished and dedicated service. She joined the Institute as Sweepress at Chennai Office on 1st January 1980. Her scale was upgraded due to her sincere and hard work and she held the grade of Senior Daftri at the time of superannuation.

May the Almighty give her health, wealth, prosperity and peaceful retired life.

INDIAN ACCOUNTING STANDARDS CONVERGED WITH IFRS NOTIFIED BY MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

Reliable, consistent and uniform financial reporting is important part of good corporate governance practices worldwide in order to enhance the credibility of the businesses in the eyes of investors to take informed investment decisions. In pursuance of G-20 commitment given by India, the process of convergence of Indian Accounting Standards with IFRS has been carried out in Ministry of Corporate Affairs through wide ranging consultative exercise with all the stakeholders. Thirty five Indian Accounting Standards converged with International Financial Reporting Standards (henceforth called IND AS) are being notified by the Ministry and placed on the website. . These are: IND ASs 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107 and 108. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs will implement the IFRS converged Indian Accounting Standards in a phased manner after various issues including tax related issues are resolved with the concerned Departments. It would be ensured that the implementation of the converged standards in a phased manner is smooth for the stakeholders. The date of implementation of the IND AS will be notified by the Ministry at a later date.

The Press Release and IND ASs are available on the Ministry's website at www.mca.gov.in.

EASY EXIT SCHEME - 2011 EXTENDED

Vide General Circular No. 1/2011, F. No. 2/7/2010-CL V, in continuation to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs earlier circular no. 6/2010 dated 03.12.2010 on the subject, the Scheme has been extended for another three months i.e. upto 30th April, 2011. All the terms of circular no. 6/2010 dated 03.12.2010 will remain the same.

SICASA PROGRAMMES - MARCH 2011

1. March 19, 2011 - One day seminar on IFRS/XBRL
2. 'Refresh Your Subject' - A one day session for each subject of IPCC/Final where brief revision, recent updations and exam related items are handled.

For details visit SICASA Website: <http://sicasa.sircoficai.org>

CHAIRMEN OF 34 BRANCHES OF SIRC OF ICAI FOR THE YEAR 2011-12



CA. Antony M. Malayil
Alleppey
98470-57700



CA. T.R. Venkatesh Babu
Bangalore
98450-31028



CA. N.V. Kawale
Belgaum
94482-31325



CA Y. Ramesh
Bellary
94487-81630



CA. P. Sankarankutty
Calicut
94472-76077



CA. R. Kandasamy
Coimbatore
98422-24802



CA. Saji Mathew
Ernakulam
98472-12121



CA. C.P. Suresh Kumar
Erode
98427-42333



CA. K.V. Brahmum
Guntur
98480-41080



CA. K.S. Chetty
Hubli
98440-10175



CA. Venkateswara Rao Adusumilli
Hyderabad
92465-39689



CA. T. Sesa Vikramaditya Sarma
Kakinada
98496-99648



CA. Cherry P. Kurian
Kottayam
94472-13130



CA. M. Thamizhiah
Kumbakonam
94433-09668



CA. V. Sivakumar
Madurai
94431-90585



CA. K.Y. Chandramohan
Mangalore
94481-43192



CA. T.N. Subramanya
Mysore
94480-64441



CA. M. Chandra Mouli
Nellore
94402-76919



CA. S. Krishnankutty
Palghat
93496-17261



CA. T. Palaniappan
Pondicherry
98423-23404



CA. Zachariah K. Samuel
Quilon
97466-61449



CA. V. Seshagiri Varaprasad
Rajahmendravaram
93979-00488



CA. M. Sekar
Salem
94423-35010



CA. V. Jayaraman
Tiruchirapalli
94437-05152



CA. T. Sudalai Muthu
Tirunelveli
98421-43472



CA. C. Mohan Reddy
Tirupati
98663-60771



CA. K.S. Kalyana Raman
Tirupur
98422-70127



CA. C.L. Sony
Trichur
94470-46952



CA. Santhosh Cherian
Trivandrum
98461-06228



CA. K. Ponpandi Inbarasu
Tuticorin
94433-28263



CA. K. Padmanabha Kanchan
Udupi
98450-89661



CA. S. Mohan
Vellore
99446-53630



CA. P. Subbarayudu
Vijayawada
94401-72460



CA. P. Vikram
Visakhapatnam
94407-77760

PRESENTATION OF ICAI ANNUAL AWARDS TO BRANCHES OF REGIONAL COUNCILS AND BRANCHES OF STUDENTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR 2010 AT THE 61ST ANNUAL FUNCTION OF ICAI ON FEBRUARY 11, 2011 AT NEW DELHI

ERNAKULAM BRANCH



CA. Vivek Krishna Govind, then Chairman, Ernakulam Branch of SIRC receiving the ICAI Shield for Best Branch Award under Big Size Category jointly with Indore Branch of CIRC from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. Rajendra Kumar P, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. V.X. Jose, Ex-Officio Member, Ernakulam Br. & Member, SIRC, CA. V. Naresh Chandra Gelli, Member, SIRC, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Ernakulam Branch.

SALEM BRANCH



CA. G. Goudhaman, then Chairman, Salem Branch of SIRC receiving the ICAI Shield for Best Branch Award under Medium Size Category from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. P.R. Aruloli, then Treasurer, SIRC, CA. G.V.V. Satyanarayana, CA. P.R. Suresh, Members, SIRC, Past Chairman, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Salem Branch.

ERODE BRANCH



CA. E.S. Gnanasekaran, then Chairman, Erode Branch of SIRC receiving the ICAI Highly commended Performance Certificate for Best Branch (small size) from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. Rajendra Kumar P, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Erode Branch.

TUTICORIN BRANCH



CA. H. Raman, then Chairman, Tuticorin Branch of SIRC receiving the ICAI Highly commended Performance Certificate for Best Branch (small size) from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. Rajendra Kumar P, Central Council Member, ICAI, CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Ex-Officio Member, Tuticorin Br. & Member, SIRC, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Tuticorin Branch.

COIMBATORE SICASA



CA. P. Viswanathan, then Chairman, Coimbatore SICASA receiving the ICAI Shield for Best Branch of Students' Association jointly with Ernakulam SICASA from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. K. Shanmukha Sundaram, then Vice-Chairman, SIRC, CA. Sumermal D. Ostawal, then Secretary, SIRC, CA. S.I. Vijayasundar, then Chairman, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Coimbatore Branch & SICASA.

ERNAKULAM SICASA



CA. Saji Mathew, then Chairman, Ernakulam SICASA receiving the ICAI Shield for Best Branch of Students' Association jointly with Coimbatore SICASA from Shri R.P.N. Singh, Honourable Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in the presence of CA. Amarjit Chopra, then President, ICAI, CA. G. Ramaswamy, then Vice-President, ICAI, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, then Chairman, SIRC, CA. V.X. Jose, Ex-Officio Member, Ernakulam Br. & Member, SIRC, CA. V. Naresh Chandra Gelli, Member, SIRC, CA. Vivek Krishna Govind, then Chairman, Office-Bearers and Managing Committee Members of the Ernakulam Branch & SICASA.