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## From the Chairman



**Dear Esteemed Members,  
Warm greetings to all.**

I am honoured and humbled to address you as the Chairman of the Guwahati Branch of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

I sincerely thank all the members for the trust and confidence reposed in me. This responsibility is not merely an honour, but a commitment to serve our profession and our fraternity with dedication, integrity, and transparency.

The year 2026 brings with it new opportunities and new challenges, especially in the areas of taxation, compliance, and professional practices. In this dynamic environment, continuous learning and skill enhancement are essential for sustained professional excellence.

During my term, our focus will be on strengthening professional competence, enhancing member engagement, and creating meaningful platforms for learning and interaction.

One of our key initiatives this year is the launch of “Income Tax ki Pathshala”, a comprehensive seminar series aimed at helping members understand and adapt to the new Income Tax framework. Along with this, we shall organise programs on emerging areas, technology adoption, and professional development.

We also aim to promote greater interaction, collaboration, and participation among members, so that our branch continues to grow as a strong, united, and progressive professional body.

I humbly seek the continued guidance of our senior members and past leaders, and I warmly invite valuable suggestions and active cooperation from all members, so that together we can make this year truly productive and impactful.

Let us begin this journey with renewed energy, positive mind-set, and a shared commitment to excellence and ethical values.

**With best wishes and warm regards,**

**CA Anjani Kumar Mundhra**  
**Chairman**  
**ICAI, Guwahati Branch**

# From the Immediate Past Chairperson



## Esteemed Members, Greetings !!

As I conclude my tenure as Chairperson, I do so with profound gratitude and heartfelt satisfaction. The year that has passed has truly been remarkable and memorable. Leading the ICAI Guwahati Branch as Chairperson from 22.02.2025 till 21.02.2026 has been a thrilling and rewarding roller coaster ride, full of challenges, brimming with dedication and hard work, records broken, records made, legacy restored, memories crafted, fellowship and bonding at its best.

We lifted the National Award for 2nd Best Branch in Medium-Size Branch Category and grabbed all three Regional Awards this year at Eastern India Regional Council of ICAI :

- Best Branch in Medium and Large Category (Combined) - For members
- Best Branch EICASA in Large Branch Category - For Students
- Best Branch for CSR Activities in all Categories (Combined)

Together, we have witnessed significant achievements, meaningful professional initiatives, and moments of pride that strengthened the stature of our Branch. More than 300 CPE hours, a record-breaking Sub Regional Conference, scintillating fabulous National Conference, unprecedented Non-CPE programmes, including career counselling programmes, investor awareness programmes and financial & tax literacy programmes, excellent quality newsletters, souvenirs and newsletters, networking and bonding events, training and grooming of new members and induction of new speakers for member and student events. Each event was curated and executed with dedication and focus to add enough value to our members and build the image of the Institute in society at large.

My gratitude goes to the ICAI leadership especially, then President ICAI, CA. Charanjot Singh Nanda, Now President ICAI, CA. Prasanna Kumar D, both our Central Council members CA. Ravi Patwa and CA. Sanjib Sanghi Sanghi, then Chairman EIRC CA. Vishnu K Tulsyan, now Chairman EIRC CA. Mayur Agrawal and the team EIRC with CA. Aditya Maheshwari, CA. Bisworanjan Sutar and CA. Hari Ram Agarwal, all the Central Council members who were Committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of various Committees that supported the Branch in all its endeavours.

The list is long as everyone has contributed in some way or another. I owe my gratitude to the past leaders of the Branch as well who motivated, guided and supported throughout. Last but not the least, I express my sincere appreciation to the Managing Committee team of the Branch and EICASA, whose commitment transformed aspirations into reality.

I feel blessed to have bagged such recognition as Branch Chairperson, however, the bottom of my heart knows it well that these accomplishments were possible only because of the unwavering trust, encouragement, and active participation of our members and students. Thankful to the Almighty as always, for bringing this fame and recognition to this esteemed Branch and making it shine across.

I demitted the Chair on 21st February, 2026 and I am writing this final message as Chairperson to you, with a bagful of memories and a heart full of joy and content. Leadership roles may change, but commitment to the profession and to this Branch remains constant. As I step aside from this responsibility, I do so with confidence that the Branch will continue to flourish and scale greater heights. I wish my successor, CA. Anjani Kumar Mundhra in his tenure while I continue my duties as Managing Committee Member at the Branch. May we continue striving beyond every milestone, inspired by excellence and guided by integrity.

**With sincere gratitude and warm regards,**

**CA. Raginee Goyal,  
Immediate Past Chairperson,  
ICAI Guwahati Branch**

## Editor's Desk

### Dear Esteemed Members and Students,

It gives me great pleasure to present the first edition of the e-Newsletter for the Calendar Year 2026.

As we embark upon a new calendar year, January provides an opportunity to set priorities, renew our commitment to excellence, and align ourselves with the evolving needs of the economy and society.

The coming year is expected to witness continued reforms in taxation, regulatory frameworks, digital compliance, sustainability reporting, and financial governance. With the Union Budget on the horizon, policy directions for growth, fiscal consolidation, and sectoral development will shape the professional landscape in the months ahead. In this environment of transformation, the role of Chartered Accountants becomes even more significant.

As members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, we are entrusted with upholding the highest standards of integrity, independence, and technical competence. The Eastern Region has consistently demonstrated academic vibrancy and professional dynamism through its seminars, certificate courses, student initiatives, and outreach programmes.

I encourage all members and students to actively engage in these initiatives and contribute to the exchange of ideas and knowledge.

This first edition of the year aims to provide relevant updates, technical insights, and highlights of regional activities, setting the tone for a productive and enriching Calendar year 2026.

Your Let us move forward with renewed purpose, collaborative spirit, and a shared vision of strengthening our profession.

**With warm regards,**  
**CA Nisha Bansiwala**  
**Editor,**  
**ICAI, Guwahati Branch**

## CPE Activities

### S Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture:

10th January

#### Recent Circulars in GST - Important Aspects:

A lecture on Goods and Services and its Important Aspects was successfully conducted at ICAI Bhawan, Guwahati. The resource person for the session was CA Mohan Agarwal. The Session provided its participants with practical insights on the recent updates, notification and circulars related to the Act. **CPE Credit: 2 Hours**



### WOFA 2.0

30th Jan to 1st Feb

A delegation of over 40 members from Guwahati attended WOFA 2.0 at Greater Noida (Jan 30 – Feb 1). The event, inaugurated by Union Minister CA. Piyush Goyal, served as a global platform for finance professionals. **CPE Credit: 15 Hours**



## ICAI ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Draft Bank Branch Auditors' Panel (MEF) for the year 2025-26 - (23-01-2026)

<https://www.icai.org/post/mefannoun230126>

2. Revised Eligibility Criteria for Empanelment of Organizations to Impart Industrial Training. - (12-01-2026)

<https://www.icai.org/post/mssd-icai-announcement-12012026>

## Non CPE Activities

### e-Waste Drive 2.0:

1st January

As part of its Green Initiative, the Guwahati Branch successfully conducted E- Waste Drive 2.0. Electronic waste collected from members was responsibly disposed of in collaboration with the Earthful Foundation, furthering the Branch's commitment to environmental sustainability.



### Capacity Building For Young

3rd January

### Members Below 5 Yrs of Practice

A Capacity Building Programme for Young Members (below five years of practice) was organized to help young professionals strengthen existing practice areas and explore emerging opportunities within the broad spectrum of the profession.



### Ek Ghanta Desh Ke Naam

4th January

CA Madhukar Agarwal addressed the youth of Gita Nagar Unnayan Samity, emphasizing patriotism and the relevance of commerce education.



14th, January

A community service initiative involving food distribution was carried out in the Paltan Bazar area of the city on the occasion of Makar Sankranti.



**ICAI Skill X Branch Level  
Debate & Oratory Competition** **9th January**

With the objective of strengthening communication and advocacy skills, the event witnessed enthusiastic participation. CA Vikash Jain and CA Veekash Agarwal served as judges for the competition. CA Swati Tezawat and CA Ravi Bajoria were declared winners in different categories.



**Brain Gain Initiatives** **9th January**

An interactive session with Mr. Siddharta Dutta (CEO, Veecap Eduventures) highlighted the challenges faced by startups and the evolving expectations from Chartered Accountants. Several constructive suggestions were exchanged for the overall betterment of professional engagement and startup ecosystem development.



**Program on Ethical Leadership** **10th January**



A dedicated session on Ethical Leadership was conducted by Guwahati Branch of ICAI. The programme highlighted the ICAI Code of Ethics, emphasizing the importance of integrity, professional accountability, and the implementation of ethical safeguards in practice.

**Financial and Tax Literacy Program** **10th January**

To promote financial inclusion, a literacy programme was held at Milan Nagar Unnayan Samity on January 10. Led by CA Priya Ghosh, the session educated local residents, especially women on the power of compounding, savings, and tax awareness.



**Career Counselling Programme** **29th January**



A career guidance programme was conducted at Udayan Kristi Sangha. Resource persons CA. Priyanka Jain and CA. Lokesh Agarwal provided students with insights into the CA curriculum and the professional opportunities within the industry.

**Republic Day**

**26th January**



The Branch celebrated the 77th Republic Day with a flag-hoisting ceremony. Chairperson CA. Raginee Goyal addressed the gathering, reflecting on the CA profession's pivotal role in nation-building and urging members to continue their contributions toward India's economic growth.

**Felicitation & Interaction with Vice President, ICAI**

**10th January**



The Branch had the distinct honour of hosting Vice President, ICAI, CA. Prasanna Kumar D at Hotel Rajmahal. The event, attended by CA. (Dr.) Debashis Mitra, Past President, CA. Ravi Patwa, CCM, CA. Sanjib Sanghi, CCM, Past Chairmans of Guwahati Branch and members at large. It provided a platform for the Vice President to applaud the Branch's consistent efforts in member and student developmental activities.

**Online Reel /Video Competition**

**26th January**

To engage the families of members, an online reel competition was held on the theme "Bharat Ke Superhero." Winners included Mst. **Gyaanav Sen (2-6 years category)**, son of Member CA. Priya Dhar and **Mst. Himaksh Toshniwal (7-12 years category)**, son of Member CA. Saurav Toshniwal, Jorhat

**Felicitation of GSTAT Members**

**29th January**

The Branch Managing Committee felicitated Shri Somnath Ganguli (Judicial Member) and Shri Jogiranjana Panigrahi (Technical Member) of the newly joined GSTAT Guwahati Bench. Discussions focused on GST initiatives and the collaborative role of the GST & Indirect Taxes Committee of ICAI.



**Boot Camp: Compliances for Start-up Funding**

**20th January**

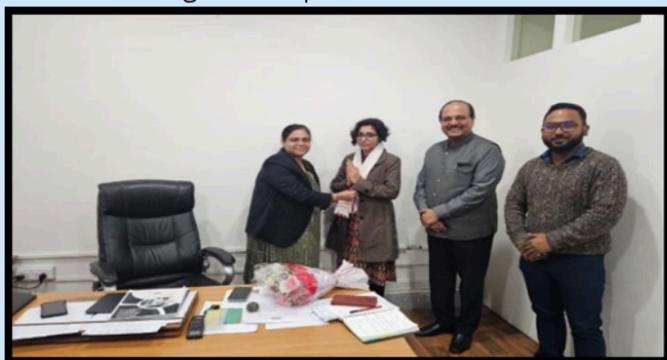
ICAI Ghy Branch, represented by CA. Kumar Victor Saha, attended a bootcamp designed to orient early & mid stage startups and equip them with practical insights, strategic guidance, and ecosystem support to help them build and scale their ventures.



**Meeting with Jt. Secretary, Finance (EC-III, EA)  
Department and Additional Project Director, AS-  
CFMS**

**9th January**

Guwahati Branch Chairperson CA. Raginee Goyal and CA. Mangesh P Kinare, CCM (Chairman, Committee on Public and Government Financial Management) met with Smti. Gayatri Devidas Hyalinge, IAS (Jt. Secretary, Finance). Discussions focused on a potential MoU between ICAI and the Govt of Assam to provide specialised training in public financial management and accounting to state personnel.



**MSME Clinic**

**23rd January**

Organized "FATHOM" under the aegis of the Committee on MSME & Startup. The event featured Business Advisory Desks led by Chartered Accountants, Support Desk Banker and Institutional Govt. Official from from NSIC, SIDBI, DFOs, GeM , NABARD, etc and an awareness interview with Radio GupShup 94.3 FM to highlight ICAI's initiatives for the MSME sector in the North Eastern Region. Mr. Rajesh Madan, ZGM, NSIC, addressed the gathering.



**Food Distribution**

**26th January**



On the occasion of Republic Day, Guwahati Branch distributed rice packets, biscuits, and stationery to residents of Harijan Basti, Solapara Road. The initiative benefited more than 100 families and reflected the Chartered Accountants' commitment towards social responsibility and community welfare

**Saraswati Puja Celebration**

**23rd January**

The Guwahati Branch and EICASA celebrated Saraswati Puja with traditional fervour. Beyond the rituals, students participated in a mythological quiz, musical housie, and a Sanskrit shloka competition, fostering a spirit of wisdom and academic excellence.



**63rd Campus Placement**

**23rd January**

The Guwahati Branch facilitated the **63rd Campus Placement** drive. Leading firms and organizations, including Grant Thornton and Ajmal Foundation, participated, providing significant career opportunities for newly qualified members.



## Media Coverage

### S. Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture on Recent circulars in GST-Important Aspects

## ICAI Guwahati Branch holds memorial lecture on recent GST circulars

**HT Bureau**

**GUWAHATI, Jan 10:** The Guwahati Branch of the Eastern India Regional Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India organised the S Vaidyanath Aiyar Memorial Lecture on "Recent Circulars in GST – Important Aspects" at ICAI Bhawan here on Saturday, January 10, 2026.

The programme was held under the chairpersonship of CA Raginee Goyal, Chairperson of the Guwahati Branch.

The memorial lecture was delivered by CA Mohan Agarwal, who offered a detailed overview of the latest GST circulars and explained their practical implications for professionals.

During the session, the speaker highlighted key interpretational issues, compliance-related challenges and evolving perspectives under the GST framework.

The lecture proved beneficial for practising chartered accountants and other professionals dealing with indirect taxation.

An interactive discussion followed the presentation, during which participants engaged with the speaker and sought clarifications on complex and contemporary GST-related issues.

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## आईसीएआई की गुवाहाटी शाखा ने एस वैद्यनाथ अय्यर स्मृति व्याख्यान का किया आयोजन

गुवाहाटी, 10 जनवरी (ख.सं.)। भारतीय

चार्टर्ड अकाउंटेंट्स संस्थान (आईसीएआई) की पूर्वी भारत क्षेत्रीय परिषद (ईआईआरसी) की गुवाहाटी शाखा द्वारा आज आईसीएआई भवन, गुवाहाटी में हालिया जीएसटी परिपत्र महत्वपूर्ण पहलू विषय पर एस. वैद्यनाथ अय्यर स्मृति व्याख्यान का सफलतापूर्वक आयोजन किया गया। यह कार्यक्रम शाखा अध्यक्ष सीए रागिनी गोयल के नेतृत्व में संपन्न हुआ। इस सत्र को सीए मोहन अग्रवाल ने संबोधित किया, जिन्होंने हालिया जीएसटी परिपत्रों तथा उनके व्यावहारिक प्रभावों पर विस्तार से चर्चा की। इस व्याख्यान के माध्यम से जीएसटी कानून के अंतर्गत व्याख्यात्मक मुद्दों, अनुपालन संबंधी चुनौतियों तथा उभरते दृष्टिकोणों पर महत्वपूर्ण जानकारियां प्राप्त हुईं, जो प्रैक्टिस कर रहे चार्टर्ड अकाउंटेंट्स एवं अन्य पेशेवरों के लिए अत्यंत लाभकारी रहीं। संवादात्मक सत्र के दौरान प्रतिभागियों को वक्ता के साथ संवाद करने तथा जटिल जीएसटी विषयों पर अपने सदेहों का समाधान प्राप्त करने का अवसर मिला। आईसीएआई की गुवाहाटी शाखा सदस्यों के तकनीकी कौशल एवं व्यावसायिक उत्कृष्टता को बढ़ावा देने के लिए ज्ञानवर्द्धक कार्यक्रमों के आयोजन के प्रति अपनी प्रतिबद्धता को निरंतर बनाये हुए है।



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