

PRESS RELEASE
CA. Corporate Leader Awards held on 20th Jan, 08

For the first time The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) organised a comprehensive forum for Chartered Accountants, Corporates and Industry with four concurrent events, Career Ascent, Capital Advantage, FinSummit and CA Corporate Leader Exacct Awards forming together one big mega event, Corporate Forum from 17 to 20 January 2008 at Grand Hyatt, Mumbai.

The mega-event was inaugurated by **Shri Ram Naik**, Former Petroleum Minister, amidst corporate leaders, chartered accountants in industry, President and Council Members of ICIA. Shri Ram Naik in his inaugural address stated, "Such Forums increases the interaction between professionals and industry. I have the highest regard for the Chartered Accountancy profession, as for me it was an unfulfilled dream. However, when I see young professionals today, I feel that my dream is fulfilled."

Career Ascent enabled to connect experienced chartered Accountants in Industry with Corporates so as to provide a platform to companies and Chartered Accountants to best harness the experience they have gained.

According to CA. Dhiraj Khandelwal, Chairman CMII of WIRC "More than 1500 Chartered Accountants got the opportunity to consider various investment and buying options as leading banks, insurance companies, mutual funds, finance and IT companies exhibited their products and services at **Capital Advantage.**"

FinSummit, a three day National Conclave on tax and finance topics for the IT industry, Construction industry and the Investment Banking industry was inaugurated by Hon'ble **Shri Prithviraj Chavan** Union Minister of State, Prime Minister's office and that event provided an opportunity to Chartered Accountants and the industry to update their knowledge.

The mega **CA corporate Leader "Exacct" Awards** which had been Instituted by ICAI for the first time to recognise and honour the exemplary work of Chartered Accountants in Industry was held on 20th January, 2008 at the grand Hyatt Exhibition grounds wherein stalwarts from the profession and industry joined together on this Forum to honour the best amongst the best was followed by a musical extravaganza by **Shreya Ghoshal** and her troupe and hosted by **Aman Varma**.

According to Mr. Uttam Agarwal, Chairman, CMII, "Everyone was being honoured for their contribution to society. It was time that the ICAI took this step to honour our professional brothers in industry who are now at the helm of affairs in industry."

The high profile award function was inaugurated by **Hon'ble Shri Shriprakash Jaiswal**, Union Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs.

A distinguished panel of jury members comprising of corporate heads and industry leaders finalised the awardees in six categories CA Business Leader Corporate, CA Business Leader SME, CA Young Leader Male/Female, CA Professional Manager Pvt./Public Sector based on well established criteria.

LIST OF AWARDEES

CA Young Leader – Male

Trophy Sponsor : Blue Dart

3rd – CA. Asheesh Awasthy

Name of Company : Google in India

Designation : Head Finance - Google in India

2nd – CA. Upendra Gupta

Name of Company : Dabur India Ltd.

Designation : Senior Manager Financial Accounting

1st – CA. Nitin Agrawal

Name of Company : Larsen & Toubro Limited

Designation : Manager – Finance & Accounts

CA Young Leader – Female

Trophy Sponsor : ICICI Lombard

3rd – CA. Neetu Kashiramka

Name of Company : Jyothi Laboratories Limited (JLL)

Designation : Chief Finance Officer

2nd – CA. Vishakha Mulye

Name of Company : ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Ltd.

Designation : Executive Director

1st – CA. Pooja Gupta

Name of Company : Standard Chartered Bank

Designation : Senior Financial Consultant

CA Professional Manager – Private Sector

Trophy Sponsor : Bonanza

3rd – CA. S. K. Gupta

Name of Company : DLF Ltd

Designation : Chief Financial Officer

2nd – CA. D. Prasad

Name of Company : Essar Oil Limited

Designation : Head of Finance & Accounts (Chemical Division)

1st – CA Nilesh Shah

Name of the Company : ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund

Designation : Deputy Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer

CA Professional Manager – Public / Government Sector

Trophy Sponsor : Systematix Group

3rd – CA. C. Ramulu

Name of Company : Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited

Designation : Director – Finance

2nd – CA. S. K. Garg

Name of Company : N.H.P.C. LTD.

Designation : CMD

1st – M. Ramadoss

Name of Company : The Oriental Insurance Company Limited

Designation : Chairman-cum-Managing Director

CA Business Leader – SME

Trophy Sponsors : CNBC Awaaz

3rd – CA. Dinesh Nandwana

Name of Company : Vakrangee Softwares Limited

Designation : Chairman and Managing Director of the Company

2nd – CA. Raman Deep Singh Bawa

Name of Company : Network 18 Media & Investments Limited

Designation : Group Chief Financial Officer

1st – CA. Raman Roy

Name of Company : Quattro BPO Solutions Pvt. Ltd.

Designation : Chairman

CA Business Leader – Corporate

Trophy Sponsor : State Bank of India

3rd – Deepak Ghaisas

Name of Company : I-flex solution limited

Designation : Vice Chairman & Director

2nd – Nirmal Jain

Name of Company : India Infoline Ltd

Designation : Chairman & Managing Director

1st – Ramesh D. Chandak

Name of Company : KEC International Limited

Designation : Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director

Lifetime Achievement Award

CA. R. Seshasayee

In Recognition of Contribution in Public Life

Trophy Sponsors : Intensive Merchant Banker Category 1

K. Rahman Khan

Suresh Prabhu

Kirit Somaiya