

**CAMPUS INTERVIEWS:
AUGUST – SEPTEMBER 2005**

The Committee for Members in Industry of the Institute organises Campus Interviews for newly qualified Chartered Accountants at 10 centres all over India. The scheme has been evolved to provide an opportunity both to employing organisations as well as the young professional aspirants to meet and explore the possibility of taking up positions in Industry. In the last such Interviews conducted in February 2005 at various centres, 81 recruiting teams of leading organisations of the country reviewed the bio-data of 2,948 young Chartered Accountants and interviewed those shortlisted by them in the premises of the offices of the Institute.

INVITATION TO CANDIDATES QUALIFYING IN CA FINAL, MAY 2005 EXAMINATIONS

It has been decided to organise Campus Interviews at 10 centres, viz., Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Chennai, Coimbatore, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi and Pune in August – September 2005. As earlier, a large number of leading organisations are expected to participate. The schedule of interviews is as below:-

1.	Coimbatore, Jaipur and Pune	21st and 22nd August 2005
2.	Ahmedabad, Bangalore and Hyderabad	23rd to 25th August 2005
3.	Chennai, Kolkata, Mumbai and New Delhi	29th August to 5th September 2005 (Excluding Sunday)

The Candidates who qualify in the CA Final Examination held in May 2005 and are interested to appear in these interviews may, immediately on the declaration of the result, access the Institute's On-line Placement Portal at www.placements-icai.org and fill up the Application Form Online.

INVITATION TO EMPLOYERS

The Committee for Members in Industry of the Institute provides opportunity to the employers to interact with newly qualified Chartered Accountants and makes all arrangements at its centres, thereby it provides a cost effective mode of recruiting young Chartered Accountants.

Organisations intending to recruit newly qualified Chartered Accountants through the scheme of Campus Interviews are invited to get in touch with Dr. T. Paramasivan, Secretary, Committee for Members in Industry, ICAI, Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi – 110002, Tel. No. (011) 2337 8310 (D), 2337 0055, extn: 442 / 450, e-mail: tparamasivan@icai.org; placements@icai.org or Shri N. K. Bansal, Executive Officer for the details of the scheme. An organisation can participate in one or more centres, as per its requirements. Firms of Chartered Accountants are also welcome to join. For further details please log on to www.placements-icai.org.

**ATTENTION: MEMBERS
ESPECIALLY RESIDING ABROAD**

The Institute from time to time needs to communicate with the members through email. The members especially those residing abroad also prefer receiving the communication through electronic mode.

The Institute has experienced a great difficulty in communication through email owing to change in email-ids of many members. The members are requested to communicate the change in their address including email-ids to the concerned decentralized offices.

We are glad to mention that the Institute has started an e-communication titled "ICAI INTERNATIONAL" on quarterly basis as an interface with the members residing abroad. The correct email-id of members abroad will enable us send them the aforesaid e-communication.

**Imprest Scheme for Obtaining
ICAI's Latest Publications**

As members are aware various Committees of the Council of the Institute from time to time bring out publications including technical publications like Guidance Notes, Statements, Accounting Standards, Auditing Standards, etc. These publications, which are a must for the members to keep themselves abreast with the latest developments taking place in the profession not only in India but also globally, are available through the sale counters of the Institute at Head Office, Regional Offices and Branches of Regional Councils.

In order that the new publications and/or the revised version of the existing publications are made available to the members as soon as they are printed, the Institute had introduced a scheme in 1988 whereby by depositing a specified amount the member shall be provided with the Institute's publication immediately after printing.

In order to avail this service, a member has to deposit a sum of Rs. 2,000/- as imprest to the Institute. An imprest account with account number will be opened and maintained by the Institute. The price of publications as well as postage charges will be debited to the imprest account of the member and he shall be kept informed of the balance in his account so that the member can replenish the account from time to time so as to be able to receive the Institute's publications.

Members desirous of availing of facility of this scheme may remit a sum of Rs. 2,000/- by way of Demand Draft. The Demand Draft should be in name of Secretary, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India payable at New Delhi and send it to Joint Secretary, Stores, C-1, Sector-1, Noida 201301.

It is hoped that in the changing scenario and fast development taking place in the accounting world, members would like to be kept themselves abreast of these developments through the medium of Institute's publication.

State-Level VAT in India –A Study

The Fiscal Laws Committee and The Continuing Professional Education Committee have brought out a new publication "State-Level VAT in India –A Study" as a source material for organizing chain seminars on State-Level VAT throughout the country.

The State-Level VAT has been introduced in a majority of the States of the Indian Union. This indeed is a historic reform in the field of indirect taxes. A majority of the States have already passed State VAT legislations. However, this is a long journey and several contentious issues have to be resolved and clarified. Sustained education of the taxpayers, professionals and general public is necessary to make them appreciate and implement the principles of VAT as well as to allay the misgivings in the minds of traders as well as the general public.

The Study on State Level VAT constitutes a comprehensive source material for organizing chain seminars across the country for the benefit of members. This will help to kick-start an informed debate and discus-

sion, seminars and conferences on State- Level VAT.

The Study will be extremely useful for the members to acquire a comprehensive knowledge of the various issues relating to State- Level VAT.

Some important topics covered by the Study are:

- Backdrop for the State-Level VAT in India
- Present system of Sales-tax – An assessment
- Taxonomy of VAT
- Input tax credit for inputs in general, capital goods and opening stocks
- VAT Procedures
- Composition schemes
- Audit under VAT
- Sales-tax incentives and VAT
- VAT and works contract
- VAT and lease transactions
- VAT and hire purchase transactions
- VAT and Central Sales-tax
- Detailed Illustrations

The publication is priced at Rs. 250/-. The same will shortly be available in the headquarters as well as the regional offices.

CORPORATE AND ALLIED LAWS COMMITTEE

Empanelment of Speakers/Faculty for Training Programme on 'Independent Director'

The Corporate And Allied Laws Committee of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is conducting training programme on Independent Director for its members. The Institute is having its Headquarters at I.P. Marg, New Delhi-110 002 has five Regional Councils at Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, New Delhi, Kanpur and more than 100 branches across the country. The objective of this training programme is to equip the Chartered Accountants to act as independent director. The Committee is preparing a panel of speakers/faculty to impart such training programme across the country.

The broad course contents are available in the website of the Institute, i.e., www.icaai.org. Members having expertise and Board experience may apply. Advocates of Supreme Court and High Courts, other professionals having relevant expertise and Board experience are also requested to send their Resume to the following address within 15 days, please.

Dr. Alok Ray, Secretary,
Corporate And Allied Laws Committee,
The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India,
I.P. Marg, New Delhi-110 002

Empanelment of Speakers/Faculty for Training Programme on 'Arbitration'

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Enroll NOW for Information System Audit (ISA) Course to qualify by December 2005

Members interested in qualifying the Information Systems Audit (ISA) Post Qualification Course (PQC) in December 2005 are requested to enroll immediately and complete their ISA PT by September 2005. ISA Professional Training batches would be started from July 2005 in all Regional Office s/ Branches where breakeven batches exist. For further details, please refer to ISA Prospectus/ ISA Portal www.isaicaai.org / isa@icaai.org.

OBITUARY

The chartered accountant fraternity lost one of its most sporting personalities and foremost friend, philosopher and guide when the past president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Padma Bhushan RK Khanna passed away in New Delhi on June 21, 2005. He was 81.

The demise of Shri Khanna is not only a loss for the CAs, but also to the world of sports in view of his pioneering contribution to the growth of tennis in India.

Born on 7th April 1924, he became a member of the Institute on July 1, 1949, the day when the ICAI was established, and rose to become the President of the Institute in the year 1972-73.

"The accountant of the future must be a man to whom business can look for judgment, based on general awareness and not simply on technical training. We must expand our knowledge continually if we are to assume the positions as key advisers to business and government," he wrote in the President's Page in November 1972 issue of the Journal and demonstrated it through his illustrious career.

After graduating from St. Stephen's College, Delhi, as a rank holder in 1944, he passed the Registered Ac-



Past President of ICAI, RK Khanna Passes Away

countants' Examination in 1947 and set up professional practice in Delhi immediately after partition of the country.

He had been actively associated with the activities of the Institute since 1955, when he was elected to its Northern India Regional Council. He was re-elected to that Council in 1958 and later served as its Secretary and Chairman as well. He was elected to the Central Council of the Institute in 1967 and in 1970 and later was elected as Vice-President of the Institute in 1971.

Shri Khanna was nominated by the Government of India as a member of the Car Prices Enquiry Commission (1970-71), which was entrusted with the task of fixing the prices of the cars manufactures in the country.

An ace tennis player, he had been the President of the All India Tennis Association from 1992 to 2000. He was the captain of the Indian Tennis Team, which is remembered for the feat of reaching the Challenge Round of the Davis Cup competition, for the first time, in the history of Indian Tennis. He was elected by the International Lawn Tennis Federation on its committee of Management in 1967, as a representative of Asia. Shri Khanna was awarded the Padma Shri in 1974 and the Padma Bhushan in 1975.

NOTIFICATION

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR STUDENTS

The PE-I and PE-II students who had already exhausted or who will be exhausting their five eligible/consecutive attempts, are granted five additional attempts as per the approval of the Central Government.

There is no need for re-registration in order to avail the benefit of these additional attempts. Similarly, there is no need to obtain fresh eligibility certificate.

Students can appear for the additional attempt/s in any of the examination/s to be held on or before 31st December, 2007 and not beyond that date.

The benefit of five additional attempts upto 31st December, 2007 is equally applicable for those students who have joined the course through erstwhile Intermediate Stream and are now appearing for PE-II Examination. The above benefit is available to all the students of PE-II Examination irrespective of the fact whether they have passed earlier in one group or not.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

FEE FOR FILING COMPLAINT ON UNJUSTIFIED REMOVAL OF AUDITORS WITH THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICAL STANDARDS (CES)

The Council of the Institute has a non-standing Committee by the name 'Committee on Ethical Standards (CES)' to, inter alia, deal with the cases of Unjustified Removal of Auditors as per the procedure laid down by the Council. To standardize and expedite the filing of the complaint before the Committee, the Council of the Institute approved the form of the com-

plaint and the list of enclosures to be submitted along with the Complaint/Statement of Reasons and the same was published in the August 2003 issue of the Journal 'The Chartered Accountant' as well as hosted in the website of the Institute 'www.icai.org'.

In order to prevent filing of frivolous complaints, the Council at its 251st meeting held in May 2005 decided to prescribe a fee of Rs.1,000/- (Rs. One Thousand Only) to be paid by the Complainant for lodging complaint on 'Unjustified Removal of Auditors' with the Committee on Ethical Standards (CES).

Accordingly, members are requested to pay fee of Rs.1000/- while lodging complaint with the Committee on Ethical Standards (CES).

Steps to become a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal (ICAN) allows the Institute's members holding certificate of practice to acquire their membership.

Examination

An Institute's member holding certificate of practice may request ICAN in prescribed form for specifying the subjects in which he would be required to appear in the examination for obtaining the membership of ICAN. A member of the Institute in practice is generally required by ICAN to pass the examination of the following subjects:

- (i) Commercial Laws
- (ii) Direct Tax
- (iii) Indirect Tax

ICAN conducts examination in the months of June and December each year in Nepal. In order to clear the above examinations, at least 40 per cent marks are required to be obtained in each paper and 50 per cent in aggregate. In case of candidates failing to clear all three papers as above in one sitting, the examination regulations of ICAN permit exemption from appearance in paper(s) in which the candidate has secured at least 60

per cent marks provided that a minimum of 30 per cent marks is obtained in the remaining papers.

Membership

After clearance in the examination of the above three papers of the ICAN examination, a member of the Institute in practice is required to submit duly filled prescribed form along with requisite fee with ICAN. The applicant has to remit registration fee of Nepali Rupees 3,000 and annual membership fee of Nepali Rupees 2,200 along with the application for membership.

Certificate of Practice

A member has to apply in prescribed form for issuance of certificate of practice. The regulations governing membership of ICAN allow foreign citizens to practice in Nepal in form of firms only in which the share of the foreign citizen(s) shall not exceed 51 per cent. ICAN allows firm name containing the name(s) or surname(s) of one or all partners of the firm.

Any query regarding membership of ICAN may be addressed to Mr Purushottam Lal Shrestha, Executive Director, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal (ICAN), at ican@ntc.net.np with a copy to Mr Rakesh Sehgal, Joint Secretary, International Affairs Cell of the Institute at ia@icai.org.

NOTIFICATION

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

[TO BE PUBLISHED IN PART III SECTION 4 OF THE GAZETTE OF INDIA DATED, the 11th June, 2005]

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA

New Delhi, Dated, the 1st June, 2005
NOTIFICATION
(Chartered Accountants)

No. 1-CA (7)/84/2005: The following draft of certain regulations further to amend the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988, which the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India proposes to make, is hereby published, as required by sub-section (3) of section 30 of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 (XXXVIII of 1949) for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, and notice is hereby given that the said draft will be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of period of forty-five days from the date on which the copies of the Gazette of India in which this notification is published are made available to the public.

Any person desiring to make any objection or suggestion in respect of the said draft regulations, may forward the same for consideration by the Council within the period so specified above to the Secretary, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi - 110 002.

Any objection or suggestion, which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft before the expiry of the period so specified, will be taken into consideration by the said council.

Draft Regulations

1. These regulations may be called the Chartered Accountants (Amendment) Regulations, 2005.
2. In the Chartered Accountants Regulations, 1988, in regulation 48, for sub-regulation (1), the following sub-regulation shall be substituted, namely:-
“(1) (a) Every principal engaging an articled clerk, who has passed the Professional Education (Examination - II) and has also successfully completed computer training programme as specified under regulation 45(b)(iii), shall pay to such clerk every month a minimum monthly stipend at the rates specified in the table below depending on where the normal place of service of the articled clerk is situated:-

Classification of the normal place of service of the articled clerk (1)	During the first year of training (2)	During the second year of training (3)	During the remaining period of training (4)
(a) Cities/towns having a population of twenty lakhs and above.	Rs.1000/-	Rs.1250/-	Rs.1500/-
(b) Cities/towns having a population of four lakhs and above but less than twenty lakhs.	Rs.750/-	Rs.1000/-	Rs.1250/-
(c) Cities/towns having a population of less than four lakhs	Rs.500/-	Rs.750/-	Rs.1000/-

- (b) Every principal engaging an articled clerk, who has passed the Foundation examination or Graduation examination, as the case may be, and has also been registered as an articled clerk upto 30th June, 2004 or 30th September, 2001 respectively, shall pay to such clerk every month a minimum monthly stipend at the rates specified in the table below depending on where the normal place of service of the articled clerk is situated:-

Classification of the normal place of service of the articled clerk (1)	During the first year of training (2)	During the second year of training (3)	During the remaining period of training (4)
(a) Cities/towns having a population of twenty lakhs and above.	Rs.450/-	Rs.600/-	Rs.800/-
(b) Cities/towns having a population of three lakhs and above but less than twenty lakhs.	Rs.300/-	Rs.450/-	Rs.600/-
(c) Cities/towns having a population of less than three lakhs	Rs.200/-	Rs.300/-	Rs.450/-

Provided that an additional stipend of Rs.300/- per month shall be paid to an articled clerk on his passing the Intermediate examination, from the first day of the month following the date of declaration of the result of the said examination held under these regulations, irrespective of above classification of rates of stipend with reference to cities/towns.

(c) Notwithstanding anything contained in clause (a) or (b), an articled clerk covered under clause (b), on his passing the Professional Education (Examination - II) under these regulations, shall be eligible for a minimum monthly stipend at the rates specified in the Table under clause (a), from the first day of the month following the date of declaration of the result of the said examination, depending on where the normal place of service of the articled clerk is situated.

Explanation 1: For the purposes of this regulation, no stipend shall be payable for any excess leave taken.

Explanation 2: For the purposes of determining the rates at which stipend is payable under this regulation, the period of articled training of the student under any previous principal or principals (not being any such period prior to 1st July, 1973) shall also be taken into account.

Explanation 3: For the purposes of this regulation, the figures of population shall be taken as per the last published Census Report of India.”

Sd/-
(Dr. Ashok Haldia)
Secretary

Developments in Current Negotiations under GATS

The General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) is the first set of legally-binding international rules for the international trade in services. India has also been a signatory to the Agreement since its entry into force in 1995. All WTO Member States are expected to have a "Schedule of Specific Commitments" under GATS. This is the list of commitments for every selected service sector that WTO Members came up with during the Uruguay Round, and are coming-up with as a result of the GATS 2000 negotiations. Negotiations to further liberalize international trade in services, started in early 2000 as mandated by GATS (Article XIX), are currently underway. The focus of the GATS 2000 negotiations is to "improve" -- i.e. increase the level of liberalization -- on the GATS commitments made during the Uruguay Round.

Paragraph 15 of Doha Development Agenda had established that participants shall submit initial requests for specific commitments by 30 June 2002 and initial offers by 31 March 2003 within the timeframe of the overall negotiating deadline of 1 January 2005. Pursuant to Doha mandate, participants in the services negotiations had been exchanging requests and offers. However, the July 2004 Framework Agreement adopted by the WTO General Council laid out that revised market opening offers in services were to be submitted by May 2005.

Earlier, India had made an initial offer, which was tabled at the WTO on December 16, 2003, (<http://www.commerce.nic.in/wtodec2003.htm#h4>), envisaging greater commitments in the Engineering, Computer and Related Services, Telecommunications, Construction and Related Engineering services, Financial services, Hospital services, and Tourism & Travel related services. In addition, fresh commitments were offered in Accounting and Book-keeping services, Medical, Dental and Midwives' services and Maritime Transport services. Further, the scope of the offer under Mode 4 at the horizontal level expanded to cover contractual service suppliers, de-linked from commercial presence. The initial offer would point towards the direction in which we are willing to liberalise. However, it has no legal status and can be withdrawn or amended at any time if we judge that the offers made by trading partners do not adequately address the requests made. Should we be less than satisfied, it can be scaled down or even withdrawn for the commitments offered. For further details on offers submitted by other WTO Members, please visit http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/serv_e/s_negs_e.htm.

On-Line Payment Gateway

You may be aware that payment gateway solution was introduced last year facilitating members to remit the membership/COP fees online by way of payment gateway solution using credit cards. Many members have used the said facility. The same facility is being extended to the members this year as well and members are encouraged to avail this facility for their convenience and comfort. The related link can be accessed on the Institute's website www.icai.org (<http://www.icai.org/payindex.html>). Payments till 30th September 2005 will be accepted without the restoration charges. Members would be required to fill the credit card details along with the Name of the card holder on the payment gateway page for successful transaction.

Practical Workshops on Computer Assisted Auditing Techniques/ IS Audit/ IS Audit of Banking Applications

Members interested in participating in above workshops are requested to contact their Regional / Branch Offices to organise the above workshops and send a mail to secyitc@icai.org with subject "Practical Workshop".

SERVICE TAX

Circulars

Latest Notifications

1. Date of taxability of new services: Notification no. 15/2005- Service Tax specifies that all the new services introduced in Budget 2005-06 will be taxable w.e.f. 16.06.2005.
2. Construction Service in relation to port: Notification no. 16/2005-ST exempts the commercial or industrial construction service in relation to construction of port or other ports.
3. Exemption for Site formation, and clearance, excavation and earthmoving and demolition and such other similar services: Notification no. 17/2005-ST exempts the above services in course of construction of road, airports, railways, transport terminals, bridges, tunnels, dams, port or other ports from whole of service tax.
4. Abatement of 67 per cent on construction of residential complex services: Notification no. 18/2005-ST grants abatement of 67 per cent of the gross amount charged in relation to construction of residential complexes. Gross amount charged will include the value of goods and materials supplied or provided or used for providing the said service. The conditions under the notification are-
 - a) No Cenvat credit of duty paid on inputs or capital goods has been availed.
 - b) The benefit of Notification no. 12/03-ST dated 20th June 2003 has not been availed for excluding value of goods and material sold.
 - c) The benefit of this notification is not available when the services provided are only completion and finishing services as per clause (c) of the in relation to residential complex.
5. Notification no. 19/2005-ST makes the following amendments in other notifications.
 - a) Definition of commission agent has been deleted from Notification no. 13/03 as specific definition has been incorporated in the definition of business auxiliary services.
 - b) Exemption granted under Notification no. 14/04 under the category of Business Auxiliary Service is now restricted only to those services which are provided in relation to agriculture, printing, textile processing or education.
 - c) Notification no. 15/04 which granted abatement of 67 per cent on construction services is being amended to provide that the benefit of the notification is not available when the services provided are only completion and finishing services as per subclause (c) of clause 5(b) of section 65.
 - d) Notification no. 24/04 has been amended to provide that the exemption available to vocational or recreational institutes will not be available to a computer training institute. A 'computer training institute' means a commercial training or coaching centre which provides coaching or training relating to computer software or hardware.
 - e) Notification no. 8/2005 has been amended to extend the exemption granted under the said notification to production or processing of goods for or on behalf of the client in place of earlier 'production of goods on behalf of the client'.
6. Notification no. 20/05 has rescinded certain exemption notifications as follows :-
 - i) Notification no. 6/2001 which granted exemption to photography services by a professional photographer.
 - ii) Notification no. 7/2001 which granted exemption for video tape production services by an individual professional videographer.
 - iii) Notification no. 11/2002 which exempted the services of hair dyeing from beauty treatment services.
 - iv) Notification no. 18/2003 which exempted erection, commissioning or installation services provided by an agency other than commercial concern.
7. Exemption to specified production or processing of goods: Notification no. 21/2005 exempts the business auxiliary services of production or processing of goods for or on behalf of the client provided in the course of manufacture of
 - (a) cut and polished diamonds and gem stones; or
 - (b) plain and studded jewellery of gold and other precious metals, falling under Chapter 71 of the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985 from service tax.
8. Exemption to some services provided by the Non-resident person: Notification no. 22/2005-Service Tax provided exemption to some specified

services provided by the non-resident person outside India and consumed outside India, in the course of selling of ship.

9. Service Tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2005: Notification no. 23/2005 amends the Service Tax Rules and incorporates the following:
 - (a) (i) Clause 2(1)(d)(iv) has been substituted to make the person who receives the services provided by a person from outside India and taxable as per the explanation to sec 65 of the Finance Act, 1994 as the person liable to pay service tax.

(ii) Clause 2(1)(d)(v) has been amended to include companies formed or registered under the Companies Act as the person liable to pay service tax on the goods transport operator.

(b) Relaxation in issue of invoice: The proviso to rule 4(A)(1) has been inserted to provide that where the services rendered are continuous in nature and payable periodically and the value of taxable service has not been received for such service, the invoices or bill or challan, as the case may be, are required to be issued within 14 days from the last day of the said period.

(c) Adjustment of excess service tax paid by assesseees registered centrally: Rule 4(A) has been inserted in rule 6 to provide for adjustment of excess amount of service tax paid by assesseees having Centralised Registration towards the liability of the subsequent period where such excess amount has been paid for the reason of not receiving the date of payments received towards value of taxable service from other premises or office. The rule further provides that such adjustment made is required to be intimated to the jurisdictional Superintendent within period of 15 days from date of such adjustment.

10. Notification no. 24/2005-ST amends notification no. 36/2004-ST dated December 31, 2004 to include the taxable service provided or to be provided by a person, who has established a business or has a fixed establishment from which the service is provided or to be provided, or has his permanent address or usual place of residence, in a country other than India, and such service provider does not have any office in India for the purposes of section 68 (2).

11. Notification no. 25/2005-ST dated June 7, 2005 exempts the taxable services provided to an individual by a service provider in cases where the service is received and consumed outside India by such individual. The exemption does not apply to services which are provided in the course or furtherance of commerce or industry or any other business.

12. Notification no. 26/2005 specifies the following classes of person which are liable to get registered under the service tax provisions:

- a) Input service Distributor.
- b) Small Service providers whose aggregate value of taxable service exceeds Rs. 3,00,000/- in a given financial year.

The aggregate value of taxable service means the total of first consecutive payments received during a financial year towards the value of taxable service charged by the service provider but excludes payments received towards services which are exempt from the whole of service tax under any notification other than Notification no. 6/2005-ST.

13. Notification no. 27/2005 has introduced Service Tax (Registration of Special Category of Persons) Rules, 2005 to provide for the manner, time limit for registration of persons specified under notification no 26/2005-ST dated June 7, 2005.

Time Limit for Registration
a) Input service Distributor -- is required to register within 30 days from date of commencement of Business or June 16, 2005, whichever is later.

b) Small Service providers whose aggregate value of taxable service exceeds Rs. 3,00,000/- in a given financial year is required to register within 30 days from date when such aggregate value of taxable service exceeds Rs. 3,00,000/-

Return By Input Service Distributor.
An Input Service Distributor is required to file return in such form which may be specified.

(A complete list of circulars/notifications (with weblinks of full text) issued by the various Departments/Ministries between 25th February, 2005 and 14th July, 2005 is available at the ICAI website at http://icai.org/common/circulars_main.html)

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ANNOUNCEMENT

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON FISCAL & ALLIED LAWS – 2005
TOWARDS PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE

CPE Credit: 12 Hours

Organised by: Fiscal Laws Committee of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Host: Mangalore Branch of SIRC of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Date: September 10th & 11th 2005

Venue: Sri T.V. Raman Pai Convention Centre, Mangalore

VED JAIN, Chairman Fiscal Laws Committee, ICAI, G. RAMASWAMY, Convener National Seminar, NITIN J. SHETTY, Chairman Mangalore Branch of SIRC of ICAI.

DETAILS ON NATIONAL SEMINAR TO BE HELD AT MANGALORE: ON SEPTEMBER 10TH AND 11TH 2005

SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 2005		
9.30 AM TO 10.00 AM,	INAUGURAL SESSION,	INAUGURATION BY SHRI KAMLESH S. VIKAMSEY, PRESIDENT, ICAI.
10.00 AM TO 1.00 PM,	FIRST TECHNICAL SESSION, THEME: TAXATION, ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND BUSINESS, SPEAKER 1 – SHRI VED JAIN, NEW DELHI, SPEAKER 2 – SHRI SEKIZHAR, HYDERABAD,	TOPIC – FRINGE BENEFIT TAX, TOPIC – AS 7, AS 9 VIS-A-VIS INCOME-TAX.
1.00 PM TO 2.00 PM, 2.00 PM TO 3.00 PM,	LUNCH. POST LUNCH SESSION, SPEAKER SHRI CHARANJOT SINGH NANDA, CENTRAL COUNCIL MEMBER,	TOPIC – UNLEASH THE POWER WITHIN.
3.00 PM TO 6.00 PM,	SECOND TECHNICAL SESSION, THEME: VALUE ADDED TAX & SERVICE TAX. SPEAKER 1 – SHRI S. VENKATRAMANA, BANGALORE, SPEAKER 2 – SHRI A. R. KRISHNAN, MUMBAI,	TOPIC: VAT – PRACTICAL APPROACH. TOPIC – SERVICE TAX – CURRENT ISSUES.
7.00 PM ONWARDS	ENTERTAINMENT FOLLOWED BY DINNER.	
SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2005.		
9.30 AM TO 12.30 PM,	THIRD TECHNICAL SESSION, THEME: NRI INVESTMENT, TAXATION AND AUDIT OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS. SPEAKER 1 – SHRI GAUTAM NAYAK, MUMBAI, SPEAKER 2 – SHRI G. RAMASWAMY, COIMBATORE,	TOPIC – NRI INVESTMENT & TAXATION. TOPIC – AUDIT & TAXATION OF CHARITABLE & EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.
12.30 PM TO 1.30 PM, 1.30 PM TO 2.30 PM,	LUNCH. POST LUNCH SESSION. SPEAKER 1 - SHRI M.R. GOPINATH, COMPANY SECRETARY, BANGALORE,	CORPORATE HUMOUR.
2.30 PM TO 5.00 PM,	FOURTH TECHNICAL SESSION. THEME: CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TAXATION. SPEAKER 1 – SHRI FEROZE ANDHYARUJINA, MUMBAI, SPEAKER 2 – SHRI ANANTHAKRISHNAN G, COIMBATORE,	TOPIC: RECENT JUDICIAL PRONOUNCEMENTS. TOPIC: TAX AUDIT – WORKING PAPERS & DOCUMENTATION. SHRI T. N. MANOHARAN, VICE-PRESIDENT, ICAI.
5.00 PM TO 6.00 PM,	VALEDICTORY SESSION,	

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