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GMCS Started

In continuation of capacity enhancement of its newly qualified students, the Institute has been imparting General Management and Communication Skill (GMCS) training and 14th batch of GMCS started from 23rd August, 2018 at ICAN Building, ICAN Marg, Satdobato, Lalitpur. Altogether, 14 qualified students have been participating GMCS training to broaden their knowledge and technical skills.

For the first time, GMCS training has been designed to follow a new model for creating avenues of on the spot placement for the newly qualified students by grabbing the attention of representatives of business houses such as Bank and Financial Institutions, Insurance Companies, Hydropower Companies, Multinational Companies etc. through their presentation to the panel groups present there.

Institute Published Notice on Awareness to Members

A meeting was held with Honorable Minister of Federal Affairs and General Administration Mr. Lal Babu Pandit on Shrawan 29, 2075 to discuss on various professional issues faced by practicing members of ICAN in federalized context, particularly the requirements laid by various Local Level Government Authorities by imposing conditions to get listed with them for being eligible to obtain audits of the entities being monitored by the Local Authorities.

In this context, the Institute has recently published a notice for information of all stakeholders to attract their attention that no registration with any authorities is required other than ICAN to provide audit services. An agreement has been entered between different agencies such as Nepal Rastra Bank, Insurance Board, Department of Education, Department of Cooperative and Ministry of General Administration in 2067 which clearly spells out that ICAN members are not required to be listed at other than the Institute itself to provide audit services. Notice published by the Institute further mentions that the agreement has been implemented since 2067. Members as well has been urged for not to get themselves listed to other agencies and any member not complying with this directive are subject to punishment as per Nepal Chartered Act, 2053 and Code of Ethics issued by the Institute. [Please follow this link to view](#) the notice published by the Institute.

Participation in Interaction Program

An interaction program was organized by Association of Chartered Accountants of Nepal (ACAN) at Inderani Complex, Kathmandu on 6th August, 2018. The interaction program was organized to arrive at uniform view of all Chartered Accountants on contemporary issue relating to bonus and stock verification process.

The program was organized to explore forum to discuss on issues of contradiction on method of calculating bonus as per the provision of Bonus Act, 2030 and decision of Honorable Supreme Court in case of Indusankar Suger Uydog Limited. The program also discussed on necessary verification process to be carried out for stock and receivable verification. The interaction program was fruitful in context of difference of opinion of Chartered Accountants on method of calculating bonus and recent requirement for certification of stock and receivables at the renewal of working capital loans laid down by Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB).

The program was participated by the Executive Committee Members of ACAN, ICAN Past Presidents, ICAN Council Members, ICAN Officials and other stakeholders.

Technical Session on Financial Reporting

A ***“Technical Session on Financial Reporting”*** was organized by the Institute to discuss on financial reporting format prescribed by Nepal Rastra Bank based on NFRS. The program organized on 23rd August, 2018 and 24th August, 2018 at ICAN Building, ICAN Marg, Satdobato, Lalitpur discussed on various technical aspect of NFRS implementation such as unwinding interest, calculation of non-controlling interest, amortization of loans and advances and other presentation and disclosure requirements.

The program was chaired by Chairman of Financial Reporting Review Committee and ICAN Past President CA. Prakash Lamsal and participated by Members of Financial Reporting Review Committee, Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha and officials of the Institute.

Meeting with Department of Revenue Investigation

The Institute had a meeting with Department of Revenue Investigation on 28th August, 2018 to discuss on implications of recent legislations enacted to impose punishment to those involved in tax evasion and money laundering and its impact on auditing profession. The meeting further discussed on roles of auditors to combat tax evasion, money laundering and fines, penalties and imprisonment to be imposed upon auditors in case of any involvement in such activities.

The meeting was participated by President CA. Jagannath Upadhyay (Niraula), Vice President CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya, Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Director General of Department of Revenue Investigation Mr. Dirgha Raj Mainali and other officials of Department of Revenue Investigation. President mentioned that any investigation related to non-compliance to Nepal Chartered Accountants Act, 2053, related Rules and Directives should be referred to the Institute. Similarly, ICAN representatives mentioned that ICAN itself and ICAN members serving in different professional capacity are always committed to combat tax evasion, money laundering, other financial crimes to contribute positively for the development of the Country.

The meeting also explored a possibility of organizing a joint interaction program to have a discussion on specific Acts, Rules and Regulations.

Meeting with Inland Revenue Department

The Institute had a meeting with Inland Revenue Department (IRD) on 28th August, 2018 to discuss on mutual cooperation between the Institute and IRD. Specific issues discussed during the meeting were integration of electronic information system (Software) of IRD and the Institute to effectively monitor activities of the auditors. The meeting also focused on current problems faced by tax administration related to evasion of taxation. ICAN representatives committed to provide necessary technical cooperation to strengthen current tax administration and taxation system.

The meeting was participated by President CA. Jagannath Upadhyay (Niraula), Vice President CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya, Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Director General of IRD Mr. Bishnu Prasad Nepal and other officials of IRD.

Participation in meeting of NPSAS Steering Committee

A meeting was organized by NPSAS Steering Committee on 28th August, 2018 at Financial Comptroller General Office (FCGO). The meeting discussed on the issues raised by Auditor General on NPSAS based financial statements, review of progress achieved in implementation of NPSAS, and implementation of NPSAS in the context of Federal Structure.

The meeting was participated by Financial Comptroller General Mr. Suresh Pradhan, Officials of FCGO, representatives from Nepal Accounting Standards Board, Representative from ICAN, Senior Chartered Accountants, and consultants for implementation of Nepal Public Sector Accounting Standards (NPSAS).

NCASA Election Concluded

The election of 4th Executive Committee of Nepal Chartered Accountants Students Association (NCASA) has been concluded on Bhadra 02, 2075.

As per operational procedure NCASA Executive Committee consists of 6 elected members – 4 from CAP III level and 2 from CAP II level and 3 members nominated by ICAN from amongst recommended students by immediately preceding Executive Committee having 1 member each from CAP I, CAP II and CAP III level. The newly elected Executive Committee shall elect President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

Quality Assurance Exposure Visit

A delegate of executives from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal (ICAN) led by Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha comprising of Acting Director Mr. Binod Prasad Neupane and Joint Director CA. Kiran Kumar Khatri has participated in Quality Assurance Mentoring Program at Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) from 13 – 17 August, 2018. Quality Assurance Reviewers Mr. Matthew Helsby and Mr. Dean Neaves mentored the team. The objective of the QA exposure visit was to confirm that the ICAN's QA process is headed towards right direction, replicate the best practices in the gaps identified, and consult with the professional experts of ICAEW on some key QA matters to best suit the local accounting environment in the country.

The QA mentoring visit focused on timely realization of the potential for improvements of ICAN QA system, boost up the confidence of the reviewers, and provide reference for the ICAN's QA process apart from exposures on several aspects of ICAEW operation in delivering qualitative professional services (to members and students) which will be instrumental to ICAN in the long run.

International News

Two New IAESB Accounting Education Insights Published on Professional Skepticism

The International Accounting Education Standards Board (IAESB) has published two new Accounting Education Insights articles on professional skepticism that address underlying challenges to professional skepticism and becoming better skeptics.

- [“Unconscious Bias and Professional Skepticism”](#) examines the underlying theory of how unconscious bias arises; the relevance of implicit or unconscious bias on professional skepticism; the various components of, and mitigations for, professional skepticism; and practical tips on reducing professional accountants' unconscious bias.
- [“How Can We Become Better Skeptics?”](#) examines what it takes to become a “good” skeptic and how the accountancy profession can develop or enhance the areas that underpin skepticism.

The Accounting Education Insights series are subject-specific information used by the IAESB to help support its [strategy and work plan](#). Additional Insight articles are available online on the [Accounting Education Resources web page](#).

Information Communication & Technology Skills Addressed in New IAESB Accounting Education Insights

The International Accounting Education Standards Board (IAESB) has published two new Accounting Education Insights articles on Information Communications and Technology (ICT) skills development. Both Insights articles draw from the IAESB's ICT skills literature review. The new articles, “The Digital Age and Opportunities for Professional Accountants” and “Issues for the Accounting Profession”, focus on the new opportunities and impact technology will have on the accounting profession and the skills needed by individual professional accountants.

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