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CA Examination Result Published

The Institute has announced result of Chartered Accountancy Examination held in June, 2019. As per the press release of the Institute, 47 students have been qualified for Chartered Accountant Membership.

Examination result is also accessible in <u>ICAN's website</u> and <u>through SMS</u>. Students not satisfied with their result can apply for retotaling within 30 days of result.

Notice Regarding Article Trainees From Foreign PAOs

The Institute has published a notice clarifying requirement of prior approval of the Institute before providing article ship training to students of foreign Professional Accountancy Organization (PAO). Any practicing chartered accountant having Certificate of Practice (COP) of any foreign professional accountancy organization desirous to provide article ship training to students of foreign PAO is required to apply for the prior approval from the Institute by furnishing necessary documents. For more details, please click here.

Implementation of NSA, 2018

The Institute has published notice regarding mandatory Compliance to Nepal Standards on Auditing, 2018 (Except NSA 701- Communicating Key Audit Matters in Independent Auditor's Report) pronounced by the Institute on recommendation of Auditing Standards Board (AuSB). These standards are issued for mandatory compliance from Shrawan 01, 2076. For more details, please click here.

Meeting with Nepal Rastra Bank

President CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya along with Vice President CA. Madan Krishna Sharma and Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha had a meeting with Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank Dr. Chiranjivi Nepal on 11 August, 2019.

During the meeting, ICAN and NRB stressed on requirement to monitor NFRS compliance by Bank and Financial Institutions after ICAN granted carve outs on NFRS to Banks and Financial Institutions. The meeting also agreed to reassess the requirement of carve outs in present scenario and to organize an interaction program to discuss on this matter. ICAN and NRB agreed to organize joint information sharing program to facilitate NFRS compliance by banks and

financial institutions. ICAN also agreed to review the level of fundamental risk involved in the audit of banks and financial institutions and auditors involved in it.

Meeting with Inland Revenue Department

President CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya along with Vice President CA. Madan Krishna Sharma and Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha had a meeting with Director General, Inland Revenue Department (IRD) Mr. Bishnu Prasad Nepal on 11 August, 2019.

ICAN had entered into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IRD for information sharing between two Institutions, to develop format of tax audit report and other documents to standardize tax administration and to strengthen regulatory function of both the Institutions. In this context, recent meeting agreed to upgrade present system of information exchange as a permanent mechanism to facilitate instant reporting of misconduct by ICAN members to ICAN by IRD.

The meeting also agreed to conduct joint programs targeted to disseminate information regarding taxation and tax audit in 7 provinces. ICAN, on request of IRD, agreed to conduct courses on tax audit for more fair and transparent tax audit as a support to IRD in its objective.

Meeting with Insurance Board

President CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya along with Vice President CA. Madan Krishna Sharma and Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha had a meeting with the Insurance Board on 11 August, 2019 at Office of the Insurance Board. Chairman of Insurance Board Mr. Chiranjibi Chapagain and Senior Officials of the Board represented Insurance Board in the meeting.

The meeting was focused to identify avenues of coordination between the Institute and the Board to strengthen regulatory function of both the Institutions and to enhance scope of ICAN members as well as insurance business in Nepal. Discussion was specifically concentrated on identification of areas of improvement in insurance sector that includes auditing and accounting of insurance companies, utilizing expertise of ICAN members in insurance sector, employment of Chartered Accountants by Insurance Board for monitoring and regulation of insurance business. ICAN, on request of Insurance Board, agreed to conduct certification courses to address the gap of manpower requirement in emerging insurance business. ICAN also agreed to organize an interaction program to address problems faced by insurance companies while preparing NFRS complied financial statements.

Nomination for Participation in International CA. Student's Conference

The Institute has invited application from Chartered Accountancy Professional – III (CAP – III) level students for their nomination to participate in "International CA Student's Conference 2019" to be organized in Pakistan on the theme "Navigate: Master the Chaos". This

conference is going to be organized by Chartered Accountants Student's Association (CASA) of Pakistan in collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (ICAP) on 26 September, 2019.

The conference will cover contemporary issues of accounting profession and this is an excellent opportunity for students to broaden their knowledge and experience.

Institute has announced that interested students can submit their application along with essay on topic "Navigate: Master the Chaos" by 15 August, 2019. After evaluation these applications, final list of nominees will be published.

Upcoming Events

SAFA Conference Day Workshop

South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA) is celebrating its Foundation Day on 22 August, 2019. On this occasion, the Institute of Cost Accountants of India is hosting the event by organizing SAFA Foundation Day Conference on the theme "Emerging Challenges and Opportunities for Professional Accountants in South Asia". This conference will take place in Hyderabad, India.

<u>Interaction Program on NFRS Implementation in Hydro Sector</u>

The Institute is organizing an Interaction Program on Challenges of NFRS Implementation by Hydropower Companies in 1st week of Bhadra at ICAN Building, ICAN Marg, Satdobato, Lalitpur. This program has been designed to facilitate NFRS compliance by hydropower companies.

Interaction Program on NFRS Implementation in Insurance Sector

The Institute is organizing an Interaction Program on Challenges of NFRS Implementation in insurance sector in 2nd week of Bhadra at ICAN Building, ICAN Marg, Satdobato, Lalitpur. As agreed in the recent meeting with Insurance Board, Institute aims to facilitate NFRS compliance by insurance companies.

National News

SEBON Issues Format of Annual Compliance Report

Securities Exchange Board of Nepal (SEBON) has issued a format of annual compliance report as mandated by the Corporate Governance Directive for Listed Institutions, 2074. This directive had been issued for compliance from Shrawan 01, 2075. This directive has provision of annual compliance report which needs to be prepared by the Compliance Officer, approved by the Board of Directors and Certified by the Auditor.

The format of annual compliance report has incorporated the matters related to board of directors, conduct of directors, risk management and internal control system, information dissemination, operational affairs and employees affairs, accounting and audit of institution etc. Certified summary of such report is required to be included also in the Annual Report of Listed Institutions as per the Directive. Please click here to download the format of Annual Compliance Report.

NRB Circulars

Nepal Rastra Bank, the Central Bank has issued various circulars for Class A, B, C, D Bank and Financial Institutions and Infrastructure Development Bank. For more details, please <u>click here</u>.

NRB Issues Guideline on Recognition of Interest Income

Nepal Rastra Bank, the Central Bank has issued directive to Class A, B and C Bank and Financial Institutions to follow "Guideline on Recognition of Interest Income, 2019" issued by Nepal Rastra Bank to account for their interest income. This guideline aims to achieve greater standardization of the practices on recognition of interest income on loan and advances of bank and financial institutions that have adopted Nepal Financial Reporting Standards (NFRS) in preparation of their financial statements. Please click here to view "Guideline on Recognition of Interest Income, 2019."

International News

Join us! International Webinar on IESBA Proposed Changes to Promote Role and Mindset Expectations

The IESBA (International Ethics Standard Board for Accountants) recently proposed changes to its Code of Ethics to promote the role and mindset expected of all professional accountants.

To learn more about the key proposed changes, IESBA invite you to our 60-minute webinar on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 8 am EST.

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During the webinar, IESBA Deputy Chair Richard Fleck will provide an overview of the proposed revisions.

Draft Q&A on the IFRS for SMEs Standard published for public comment

The IFRS Foundation is calling on stakeholders to comment on its draft Q&A on the application of the *IFRS for SMEs* Standard.

The draft Q&A responds to a question from stakeholders about the application of the undue cost or effort exemption for investment property on the date of transition to the *IFRS for SMEs* Standard. The draft Q&A concludes that additional cost or effort due to the elapse of time between the date of transition and the date of preparing the first IFRS for SMEs financial statements is not considered.

Call for members—IFRS Taxonomy Consultative Group

The International Accounting Standards Board (Board) is seeking candidates to join the IFRS Taxonomy Consultative Group from 1 April 2020. The IFRS Taxonomy Consultative Group contributes to the development of the IFRS Taxonomy by providing regular input on taxonomy-related issues.

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