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ICSI Signs MOU with the National Skill Development Corporation to equip over 1,00,000 CS students and public at large on GST



From L to R: Shri Manish Kumar, MD & CEO NSDC, CS Gopalakrishna Hegde, Council Member, ICSI, Shri Anant Kumar Hegde, Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, CS Satwinder Singh, Council Member, ICSI and CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, President, ICSI

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India together with National Skills Development Corporation will train over One Lakh CS students, ICSI stakeholders and public at large as “GST Account Assistants”.

Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, while inaugurating the ICSI's Golden Jubilee Year Celebrations on 4th October, 2017 at Vigyan Bhawan emphasised on the role of Company Secretaries in promoting and maintaining compliance and transparency in the Corporate sector. He desired that the institute and its stakeholders help in spreading awareness about the benefits of GST and taking it across the length and breadth of the country and provide their services as professionals who can cater to GST law. While touching upon New India 2022, Prime Minister Modi desired that ICSI should equip over 1,00,000 CS students / stakeholders on GST.

To achieve this objective, the Institute has signed an MoU with National Skill Development Corporation today in New Delhi in the presence of Shri Anant Kumar Hegde, Union Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, President, The Institute of Company Secretaries of India and Shri Manish Kumar, MD & CEO of National Skill Development Corporation.

Speaking on the occasion, CS (Dr.) Shyam Agrawal, President, ICSI said, “The Golden Words of Wisdom spoken by Hon’ble Prime Minister on the occasion of Golden Jubilee Year celebrations of the Institute are “Braham Vakya” for each and every student, member and employee of the Institute. As desired by the Prime Minister, the Institute has taken upon itself the humungous task of training at least 1,00,000 CS students in GST. In this line the Institute has taken the first step by signing the MoU with NSDC for providing the necessary infrastructure for training the ICSI students/stakeholders on various nuances of GST law.”

“In our endeavour to make India the skill capital of the world, we are very pleased to partner with the Institute of Company Secretaries of India. The training imparted under this partnership will fast track the implementation of the GST program and empower youth to earn a better livelihood.” said Shri Manish Kumar, MD & CEO, NSDC.

Key features of the MOU:

- 1) NSDC has agreed to train the ICSI Students, Members and Stakeholders on GST through its pan India Training Centres. This being a 100 hour course will take 10 to 15 working days on a full time basis. On a part time basis, it can be offered as a 4 hour course for 25 working days.
- 2) The course will be conducted through various Training Centres / Training Partners of NSDC. For areas not covered by the Training Centres / Training Partners of BFSI Sector Skill Council / NSDC to ensure wide reach and the objective of training candidates across the length and breadth of the country.
- 3) **The Course will be conducted under the PMKVY (Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana), and the candidates will receive all the benefits of the scheme.**
- 4) The Placement of the successful candidates will be made as per the norms of the BFSI SSC/NSDC.
- 5) The fees for this course will be accommodated under various Government Schemes like Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), etc. No Fee is required to be paid by the candidates for the training.

About ICSI: The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, (ICSI) is premier national professional body set up under an Act of Parliament, i.e., The Company Secretaries Act, 1980, for the regulation and development of the profession of Company Secretaries in India. The Institute functions under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute, being a pro-active body, focuses on top-quality education to students of Company Secretaries Course and best quality set standards for CS members. There are currently over 52,000 members and around 4 Lakh students.

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