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ICSI's E-Learning Revolution

As the world braces up with Coronavirus Pandemic, the ensuing lockdown has brought about a new challenge for Educational Institutions. Providing a safe and healthy learning environment has become more important than ever.

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), rising to the occasion, has demonstrated its preparedness in expanding the e-learning methodology.

From rolling out online short term courses and free video lectures to providing revision classes and conducting mock tests for its students, ICSI has completely transformed its remote learning landscape to real-time. Students enrolled in the Class Room Teaching Centres of ICSI can avail the free online classes at: <u>https://www.icsi.edu/media/webmodules/websiteClassroom.pdf</u>. The free video lectures are available at: <u>https://elearning.icsi.in</u>.

All offline trainings like 15 days Academic Development Programme, 8 days Entrepreneurship Development Programme and 15 days Management Skills Orientation Programme have been moved to the virtual platform.

The need for continued professional development for its members has also been attended to by bringing out an array of Online Certificate Courses and Webinars.

Online Certificate Courses:

- 1. Certificate Course on Women Director (Course Duration Three Months)
- 2. Certificate Course on Certified CSR (CSR) Professional (Course Duration Three Months)
- 3. Certificate Course on Forensic Audit (Course Duration One Month)
- 4. Certificate Course on Goods and Services Tax (GST) (Course Duration 60 Hours)
- 5. Certificate Course on POSH Act (Course Duration Three Months)

In addition to the online courses, the series of focused webinars are a unique opportunity for the ICSI stakeholders to up skill their capabilities, enhance their knowledge base and unlock the professional opportunities during these challenging times. The topics covered are Companies Act, Secretarial audit, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Law, CSR etc.

The Institute has also introduced a series of Online Self-Assessment Modules on areas of expertise for the members i.e. Company law, Tax laws, Securities lases, Governance, Risk management, compliances and Ethics. Such self-assessment may be attempted by members

at their convenience from the comfort of their homes. The members shall be eligible for grant of 10 Program Credit Hours (PCH) for each module. Each module shall carry 60 multiple choice questions. The details of the same is available at <u>www.icsi.edu</u>.

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India – Registered Valuers Organisation (ICSI-RVO) has also introduced 50 hours Online Education Course on 'Valuation of Securities or financial Assets'. The first & second batch garnered an overwhelming response not only from the CS fraternity but from the members of other professional institutions as well. Considering the growing demand and urgency of the present situation, ICSI-RVO has announced the third batch of the online course from 28th April – 3rd May, 2020. For registration visit www.rvo@icsi.edu.

ICSI President, CS Ashish Garg while appreciating the digital learning initiatives of ICSI, said, "technology has revolutionized education and it is time, that the students and members of ICSI embrace this opportunity and harness their potential to become the new age professionals of tomorrow".

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About ICSI

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is a premier professional body set up under an Act of Parliament, i.e., Company Secretaries Act, 1980, for the regulation and development of the profession of Company Secretaries in India. It functions under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. The Institute, being a proactive body, focuses on best and top-quality education to students of Company Secretaries Course and best quality set standards for CS members. The Institute has over 62,000 members and about 3 lakh students on its roll.