

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## ICSI signs various MoUs for Academic Collaboration with Universities and Institutes of the North Eastern States

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India, having taken cognizance of education as one of the most crucial indices of socio-economic development of the North Eastern Region of the country, introduced various constructive steps for the youth of the region to groom them professionally and improve their employability.

To break the distance barrier and facilitate better provisions for the students of the region, ICSI has waived of 50% fees for students registering for the Company Secretary Course from the North Eastern States and established ICSI Study Centres in all the eight states.

In furtherance to these concrete measures, ICSI has recently signed various MoUs with the following Universities & Institutes of the region under the ICSI Academic Collaboration Initiative:

- The ICFAI University Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim
- Sikkim Manipal University Gangtok, Sikkim
- Apex Professional University, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh
- Assam Don Bosco University, Guwahati, Assam
- The Assam Royal Global, Guwahati, Assam
- Manipur University, Imphal, Manipur

The objective of the MOUs' is to facilitate a comprehensive partnership in the areas of joint academic research, joint workshops, professional development & faculty development programmes along with sharing of resources and participation at Regional and National Conferences. The collaboration would help in imparting knowledge along with honing the skills of students, academicians and professionals of these Institutes.

Emphasizing on the need for such collaborations in the region, CS Ashish Garg, President ICSI, said "ICSI has always supported the Government's initiatives of accelerated and inclusive growth and to further contribute to the same, ICSI is extending its presence in the North-East by partnering with these Institutes. This would help in fostering the relationship between the institutes and would combat the adversity acclaimed in the region, in promoting quality executive education here."

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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 65,000 members and about 2.5 lakh students on its roll.