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ICSI 5th Board Mentorship Programme commences in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan



The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), inaugurated the 5th edition of its **Board Mentorship Programme**, in **Jaisalmer, Rajasthan**, through its section 8 company, **Institute of Governance Professionals of India (IGPI)**, on **8 January 2026**.

Organised from **8-11 January 2026**, the four-day Programme will navigate the Board's Legal and Regulatory Landscape by way of engaged, experiential and interactive learning, focusing primarily on developing expertise in governance and sustainability practices.

With the presence of more than 30 Corporate Senior Leaders, Corporate Professionals and Senior Government Officials, from across the country, the programme will feature insightful discussions spanning the following topics:

- Being Director: Boon or a Bane!
- Related Party Transactions
- Board Evaluation and Its Impact
- Secretarial Standard-1 (SS-1): Meetings of the Board of Directors
- Mock Board Meetings

Defining the Board Mentorship Programme as a unique opportunity for business leaders, **CS Manish Gupta**, Former President & Council Member, the ICSI and Director, IGPI, said, “the Board Mentorship Programme aims to strengthen the capabilities of Directors, KMPs, Entrepreneurs and Senior Management, enhancing their preparedness to navigate future challenges”.

Expressing his views on the altering roles of professionals and the expanding responsibilities of Board members, **CS Pawan G. Chandak**, Vice President, the ICSI and Director, IGPI, said “*the pursuit of governance can only be attempted in a top-down manner and the goals and objectives of trust, transparency and accountability can be achieved only in the presence of a well-sensitised Board*”.

CS Dhananjay Shukla, President, ICSI and Director, IGPI underscored that the success of any enterprise, organisation, or company is rooted in the collective and collaborative efforts of its leadership. Sharing the IGPI’s vision, he said, “the Board, KMPs, SMPs, and professionals must be aligned by a common purpose and a sustainability-focused mindset to achieve enduring and sustainable success”.

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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 pro-active body, focuses on top-quality education for its students and sets the best quality standards for CS members. The institute has over 78,000 members and around 2.5 lakh students on its roll.

About IGPI

Institute of Governance Professionals of India (IGPI) - a section 8 company promoted by the ICSI is entrusted with the task of taking forward its purpose to generate, spread and impart knowledge, directly or in association with person(s) having similar objects or engaged in similar activities by way of Research, Publications, Training and Education. The areas of focus of these activities include Corporate Laws, Governance, Management, Business Sustainability and CSR, Capital and Financial Markets, Economic Laws and Policies, Information and Control Systems and Allied Disciplines.