



A YEAR OF SERVICE & GROWTH

ICAI Thiruvananthapuram Branch
2025-2026



*A brief overview of the initiatives and
milestones achieved by the
ICAI Thiruvananthapuram Branch
during the year 2025-26*

From the Chairman's Desk

Dear Members,

It is with great satisfaction that I share a brief overview of the initiatives and milestones achieved by the ICAI Thiruvananthapuram Branch during the year. The period witnessed strong academic momentum, deeper student engagement, impactful outreach programmes and meaningful CSR activities—each aligned with the Branch's commitment to professional excellence and societal responsibility.

This compilation captures the collective efforts of our members, students, faculty, staff and partners who contributed to making the year both productive and memorable. I invite you to revisit these moments and celebrate the journey we have undertaken together.



CA. Nikhil R Kumar

Chairman
ICAI Thiruvananthapuram Branch (SIRC)
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Academics Members

A year marked by exceptional academic momentum and national-level knowledge initiatives.

The Branch witnessed an exceptional academic year focused on continuous learning and professional excellence. After almost a decade, the Branch was entrusted with a National Conference and, for the first time in its history, successfully conducted two National Conferences. The year commenced with the GST National Conference and was followed by a high-impact AI National Conference, drawing strong participation from members in practice and industry.

In addition, a Sub-Regional Conference and a Residential Programme at Poovar were conducted, strengthening peer interaction and knowledge sharing.



GST NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

A unique national platform bringing together the profession and tax administration.

Our Branch had the honour of hosting the 4th GST National Symposium, bringing together over 100 senior GST Commissioners from 27 States and Union Territories. Organised by the GST & Indirect Taxes Committee of ICAI, the programme provided a unique platform for open dialogue, experience sharing, and mutual learning between the profession and tax administration.

The scale of participation and national representation made the event truly special for the Branch.

100+ Senior GST Commissioners 27 States & UTs represented





Career Counselling & Future Readiness

Guiding young minds towards the CA profession.

With the objective of attracting young minds to the profession, the Branch placed strong emphasis on career guidance. A record 38 career counselling programmes were conducted across schools and colleges, the highest achieved by the Branch till date.

The Branch also actively participated in DISHA, the career guidance initiative of the State Government, thereby extending outreach beyond traditional platforms. These efforts significantly enhanced awareness about the CA profession and its diverse career opportunities.

38 Career Counselling Programmes. Highest till date



Student Focus-ICAI

Empowering students through structured learning and exposure.

Foundation | Intermediate
Final | ITT | MCS | Orientation
Externship

Focused on nurturing future professionals, the Branch launched several innovative student-centric initiatives. Project LaunchPad was introduced as a platform to connect college students with career opportunities and industry exposure.

The Externship Programme provided Loyola School students with hands-on experience by deploying them across practicing firms, bridging the gap between theory and practice. Student Mega Conferences and induction programmes further strengthened engagement and connection with ICAI.

Regular Foundation and Intermediate classes continued uninterrupted. Advancing further, the Branch during the year introduced both Regular and Rapid Revision programmes for Final students. Consistent conduct of ITT, Advanced ITT, MCS and Orientation programmes ensured complete academic support to students with uncompromised quality.





Social Commitment Initiatives

Extending professional responsibility beyond the profession.

Driven by the vision of inclusive and sustainable growth, the Branch undertook impactful CSR initiatives with education as the central focus. Through EduReach, students from Kottur tribal village were supported with educational kits.

The Bag of Dreams project benefited Anganwadis and nearby LPS schools, while infrastructure support was extended to Pattom Thanupillai School Trust. The Hope project empowered a lady entrepreneur, reflecting the Branch's commitment to social upliftment. These initiatives collectively reinforced the Branch's role as a socially responsible professional body.





Public Outreach & Financial Literacy

Taking financial awareness to the grassroots.

To enhance public awareness and visibility of the profession, the Branch conducted over 15 outreach programmes in collaboration with institutions such as KFC, Kudumbashree units, CRPF, DIC and Schools.

Specially customised financial literacy sessions for women self-help groups received wide appreciation across the State and recognition at the Central level. Regular IT Clinics at Ayakar Bhawan for the general public earned an appreciation letter from the Income Tax Department. The MSME Helpdesk at the Branch supported budding entrepreneurs and practitioners.





Games & Member Engagement

Building bonds beyond the boardroom.

Alongside professional development, the Branch ensured that member well-being and fellowship received due importance. Sports and recreational activities included cricket and football matches with the Income Tax Department, athletics for members and families, table tennis, indoor games, box cricket, and intra-branch tournaments.

These initiatives promoted networking, team spirit, and a sense of camaraderie among members and their families.





Infrastructure & Sustainability

Creating spaces that inspire and sustain.

The Branch undertook a complete revamp of the Suri Centenary Hall, transforming it into a modern, vibrant, and member-friendly facility.

As part of its green initiatives, a vertical garden (Green Wall) was installed and new plants were added across the premises. These efforts enhanced the ambience while reinforcing the Branch's commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility.



Looking Ahead with Gratitude

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Reflecting on the year gone by, the progress achieved across academics, outreach, infrastructure and member engagement fills us with pride and optimism. Every initiative was driven by a shared purpose—to add value to the profession, empower future chartered accountants and contribute positively to society.

I place on record my sincere appreciation to the Managing Committee, Past Chairpersons, programme convenors, volunteers, sponsors and members whose unwavering support made these achievements possible. With your continued guidance and participation, I am confident that the ICAI Thiruvananthapuram Branch will continue to scale new heights in the years ahead.

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Chairman & Team

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