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## E-News

### INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Silver Jubilee) of the Institute Celebrated

The Institute has celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Silver Jubilee) on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2022 at its head office, located at ICAN Marg, Satdobato, Lalitpur. The Chief Guest of the program was Hon'ble Auditor General Mr. Tanka Mani Sharma Dangal, he attended the program through virtual mode.

The program was inaugurated by Chairperson of the program and ICAN President, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli by lighting the lamp. ICAN President CA. Yuddha Raj Oli gave his welcome remarks and welcome the Chief Guest, Guest of Honor, ICAN Past Presidents, Council Members, Staffs and all the participants joining this program virtually. During his address, President CA. Yuddha Raj Oli briefed about the key achievements and milestones achieved by the Institute during the Fiscal Year 2077/78, the ongoing major activities and future strategy of the Institute. During his address, he also congratulated all the Past Presidents, Past Council Members, Council Members, Committee Members, Staffs and all other Stakeholders, for their contribution and support for achieving the existing standing and legacy of the Institute. President CA. Yuddha Raj Oli, then presented the [Annual Report](#) of Institute for Fiscal Year 2077/78. Following the Annual Report presentation, the President honored all the Past Presidents with garlanding for their contribution to attain this phase of the Institute.



*[A Glimpse of 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Program of the Institute](#)*

During the program, Hon'ble Auditor General, Mr. Tanka Mani Sharma Dangal released the Souvenir published in reminiscence of last twenty-five years of history of the Institute along with the three years [Strategic Plan \(2078/79 - 2080/81\)](#) of the Institute. After releasing the publication, he congratulated the Institute for the achievements made by the Institute and he emphasized on the importance of Accounting Professionals for National Development. During his speech, he focused on the importance and cruciality for digitalization and governance in Accounting Profession.

Likewise, the Institute provided Special Honor to Past Presidents of 8<sup>th</sup> Council CA. Jagannath Upadhyay Niraula, CA. Krishna Prasad Acharya and CA. Madan Krishna Sharma. In the meantime, the Institute provided Special Honor to Founder President Late CA. Komal Bahadur Chitracar. The honored document was presented to his spouse Mrs. Sharda Laxmi Chitracar during the program. Speaking on the program, Mrs. Chitracar focused on the contribution of Late. Komal Bahadur Chitracar for the Institute and for the overall development of Accounting Profession in country.



*Spouse of Late CA. Komal Bahadur Chitracar Mrs. Sharda Laxmi Chitracar Receiving the Special Honor from President CA. Yuddha Raj Oli*

Second President of the Institute CA. Tirtha Raj Upadhyay congratulated the Institute for the achievements and remembered the Late Past Presidents and their contribution for the Institute. He also congratulated the entire team of the Institute.

Executive Director, CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha briefed on different prospective of the institutional activities and mainly focused on the management team of the Institute. The Institute also honored five staffs in recognition of their long-term service with “*Deergha Sewa Padakka*”, three staffs for their outstanding performance with “Best Staff of the Year” and two staffs for their high work and dedication with “Certificate of Appreciation”. Vice President, CA. Bhaskar Singh Lala concluded the program with closing remarks and vote of thanks to all the participants.

### **Training on Code of Ethics**

On the special occasion of celebrating Silver Jubilee of the Institute, the Pokhara Branch Office of the Institute organized an online training on “**Code of Ethics**” on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022. The objective of this training was to promote an ethical culture amongst the Accounting Professionals.

Program was organized in the presence of Council Member RA. Kesh Bahadur K.C and CA. Shankar Thapa was the trainer. The training was participated by around 100 members and the participating members can accumulate 2 CPE credit hours from this online training.

### **Online Interaction Program on “Biological Assets”**

On the special occasion of celebrating Silver Jubilee of the Institute, Butwal Branch Coordination Committee of the Institute organized an online interaction program on “**Biological Assets**” on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. The objective of the interaction program was to enhance awareness to ensure compliance among members regarding Nepal Accounting Standard 41 on Agriculture and Biological Assets.

The Online program was conducted in the Chairmanship of Branch Coordination Committee (BCC) Coordinator, CA. Sheo Hari Sharma. ICAN President, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli was the Chief Guest of the program. CA. Hari Lamsal Member BCC, started the program with a welcome remarks and CA. Arun Raut was resource person in the interaction program. Around 150 members participated in the program and the participating Members can accumulate 3 CPE credit hours from this Interaction Program.

### **Online Program on "Quality Control Standards NSQC"**

On the special occasion of celebrating Silver Jubilee of the Institute, Dhangadhi Branch Office of the Institute organized an online program on “**Quality Control Standards NSQC**” on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. The objective of this program was to establish standards and provide guidance regarding a firm's responsibilities for its system of quality control for audits and reviews of historical financial information, and for other assurance and related service engagements.

Branch Coordination Committee (BCC) Coordinator CA. Umesh Raj Pandey, gave welcome remarks and Auditor Association Suder Pachhim Province Chairman RA. Amber Raj Joshi briefed about the objectives of the program. ICAN President CA. Yuddha Raj Oli gave his remarks on the Quality Assurance Review process being initiated by the Institute and ICAN Vice President CA. Bhaskar Singh Lala briefed about NFRS implementation status, benefit and impact of NFRS adoption. Similarly, Executive Director of the Institute briefed on Audit Firm Standard and Minimum Audit Fee Directive, 2078 issued by the Institute.

The program was also attended by Chief Tax Officer of Dhangadi, Mr. Gauri Shankar Upadhyay and Chief Tax Officer of Mahendranagar, Mr. Pushkar Neupane. And, CA. Sunil Joshi conducted the training. The program was participated by around 100 members and the participating members can accumulate 2 CPE credit hours from this program.

### **Participation in the SAFA Board, Assembly and Committee Meetings**

The Delegates of ICAN led by the President of the Institute, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli visited Sri Lanka from 03<sup>rd</sup> January to 05<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 to participate in the SAFA Board, SAFA Assembly and Committee meetings organized by the Institute of Certified Management Accountants of Sri Lanka. The other delegates for the Institute were Council Member RA. Kesh Bahadur K.C. and Executive Director, CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha.

## **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka (CA Sri Lanka)**

The Institute has signed MoU (Technical Collaboration Agreement) with CA Sri Lanka with the objective to strengthen, promote and develop the accountancy profession in both the country on the basis of equality and mutual benefit. The MoU was signed on 05th January, 2022 at CA Sri Lanka Office in Colombo.



*President CA Sri Lanka CA. Sanjaya Bandara and President ICAN, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli and along with the Council Member RA. Kesh Bahadur KC, Executive Director CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha and officials of CA Sri Lanka during the MoU signing between ICAN and CA Sri Lanka.*

## **Lease Agreement Signed with Biratnagar Metropolitan City**

The Institute has signed lease agreement with the Biratnagar Metropolitan City on 5th Magh 2078 to acquire three kathha of land for thirty years to construct its own building for Branch Office in Biratnagar. President, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli, Vice-President, Bhaskar Sing Lala, Council Member, Mr. Uma Kant Acharya, Executive Director, CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha including members of Biratnagar Branch Coordination Committee headed by the Coordinator CA. Ashwini Bansal participated in the lease agreement signing ceremony organized in the office of Biratnagar Metropolitan City Chaired by Mayor Mr. Bhim Prasad Parajuli.

## **Chartered Accountancy Examination December 2021**

The Institute successfully conducted Chartered Accountancy Examination of CAP-I, CAP-II and CAP-III level of December 2021. The examination was conducted from 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 to 05<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 in altogether eight different examination centers in Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Bhaktapur, Biratnagar, Butwal, Pokhara, Hetauda, and Chitwan. Altogether 1,425, 2,796 and 1,197 students of CAP-I, CAP-II and CAP-III level attended the examination respectively.

## **Chartered Accountant Membership Examination December 2021 for ACCAs**

The Institute successfully conducted Chartered Accountant Membership Examination for ACCAs of December, 2021. The Examination was conducted from 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 to 05<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. Only two examinees attended the examination out of three applicants. The examination was held at Kathmandu center.

### **New Student Orientation Program (CAP-I Level)**

The Institute has organized virtual orientation program for CAP I level students on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2022. The purpose of the students' orientation program was to impart knowledge among new students about Chartered Accountancy Course, future prospects of Chartered Accountants and welcome them in the fraternity of CA students. ICAN President, CA. Yuddha Raj Oli, Executive Director, CA. Sanjay Kumar Sinha and Deputy Director, CA. Himal Dahal gave their remarks in the orientation program and briefed about the Institute, Chartered Accountancy Course and Course of Action to be observed by CA Students.

Likewise, recently qualified Chartered Accountants CA. Prabesh Dhakal and CA. Rishi Pokharel briefed about their Journey to become Chartered Accountant. And, trainer Mr. Rajan Koirala had a session about the way of Personality Development. ICAN Vice- President CA. Bhaskar Singh Lala concluded the program with the closing speech. Around 1,000 students participated in the virtual orientation program.

## **ICAN NOTICE**

### **Launch of Practice Management Software**

The Institute has issued a notice to the Members in Practice regarding the launching of Practice Management Software with the name Simplify Practice Nepal developed by Vritti Solutions Limited. Practicing Members willing to avail the advantage of technological advancement in the area of practice management are recommended to signup themselves with Simplifypractice.com using below link.

<https://nepal.simplifypractice.com/SignUp/Index>

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Empanelment of Faculties and Resource Persons**

The Institute has re-published a -notice requesting Expression of Interest (EoI) from faculties and resource persons for various activities being organized from the Institute hiring expert services of the Professionals. For this purpose, the Institute has developed an online Multipurpose Empanelment Form (MPEF), which is available in the website of the Institute <https://en.ican.org.np/en/> or can be accessed directly from the link <https://mpef.ican.org.np/>.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Submission of Online Examination Form for CA Membership Examination, March 2022**

The Institute has issued a notice regarding Submission of Online Examination Form for CA Membership Examination, March 2022. The online form can be submitted from 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 till 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 with payment of normal fees and till 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2022 with payment of late fees. For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Submission of AT Examination Form**

The Institute has issued a notice regarding submission of Accounting Technician (AT) Examination Form for AT Examination March, 2022. The examination form can be submitted from 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 till 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 with payment of normal fees and till 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2022 with payment of late fees.

The examination form can be downloaded from below link:

<https://en.ican.org.np/uploads/downloads/files/3/1c27e310a1eba3845096af5b4a2b1f14.pdf>

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Notice Regarding UDIN**

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nepal issued a notice related to authenticity and use of Unique Document Identification Number (UDIN) by the members for general, awareness among public. For further details, [please click here](#).

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Online Training on NAS for MEs**

The Institute has issued a notice regarding online training on Preparation of Financial Statements of Micro Entities (MEs) in Compliance with Nepal Accounting Standards (NAS) to be conducted from 04<sup>th</sup> to 06<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 from 04:00- 07:00PM. Members interested to participant in this online training are advised to confirm their participation by logging into below link:

Registration Link: <https://event.webinarjam.com/register/65/mgy95bzm>

For further details, [please click here](#).

## **NATIONAL NEWS AND UPDATES**

### **Unified Directives to D Class Micro Finance Financial Institutions, 2078**

Nepal Rastra Bank has issued Unified Directives to Micro Finance Financial Institutions, 2078 incorporating the Circular issued till 07<sup>th</sup> Mangsir, 2078 and Unified Directives. For more details, [please click here](#).

### **Circular for Amendment in Unified Directives to Micro Finance Financial Institutions, 2078**

Nepal Rastra Bank has issued circular to D Class Micro Finance Financial Institutions regarding amendments made in the Unified Directives to Micro Finance Financial Institutions, 2078. For further details, [please click here](#) and [here](#).

### **Circular for Amendment in Unified Directives to A, B and C Class Bank and Financial Institutions, 2078**

Nepal Rastra Bank has issued circular to A, B and C Class Bank and Financial Institutions regarding amendments made in the Unified Directive, 2078. For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Amendment in Guidelines related to granting approval for Companies providing only Hire Purchase Loan, 2070 (Second Amendment, 2075)**

Nepal Rastra Bank has issued amendment in guidelines related policies, procedures and other provision for providing approval to companies providing only hire purchase loan, 2070 (Second Amendment, 2078). The notice along with the guidelines can be accessed from the website of Nepal Rastra Bank. For further details, [please click here](#).

## **INTERNATIONAL NEWS, EVENTS AND UPDATES**

### **IAASB Releases Conforming and Consequential Amendments Aligning Existing IAASB Standards to New, Revised Quality Management Standards**

The International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB) has released further [conforming and consequential amendments](#) to the IAASB's standards resulting from the [new and revised quality management standards](#), which were released in December 2020. The conforming amendments remove actual or perceived inconsistencies between the IAASB's suite of standards and the quality management

standards. This allows the IAASB's full suite of standards operate in conjunction with each other and without confusion, which is especially crucial given the importance of firm-level quality management to the consistent performance of quality engagements. The conforming amendments to the IAASB's International Standards become effective as of 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **IAASB Digital Technology Market Scan: API Access**

The IAASB's Disruptive Technology team has issued second market scan based on their previous work, including the Innovation Report created with Founders Intelligence and discussed at the January 2021 IAASB meeting and will issue a Market Scan focusing on topics from the report approximately every two months. Market Scans will consist of exciting trends, including new developments, corporate and start-up innovation, noteworthy investments and what it all might mean for the IAASB.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **IESBA Staff Releases FAQs On Revised Fee-Related Provisions of IESBA Code**

The Staff of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA) has released a set of [frequently asked questions \(FAQs\)](#) on the recently revised [fee-related provisions](#) of [The International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants \(including International Independence Standards\) \(the Code\)\\*](#). The FAQs have been informed by the extensive discussions and consultations with a wide range of stakeholder groups and the IESBA's own deliberations during the development and finalization of the standard.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **IPSASB Issues Improvements to IPSAS, 2021**

The International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board® (IPSASB®) has issued [Improvements to IPSAS, 2021](#). The pronouncement was approved by the IPSASB in December 2021. [Improvements to IPSAS, 2021](#) includes minor improvements to IPSAS to address issues raised by stakeholders and minor amendments sourced from recent IFRS improvements and narrow scope projects.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **IPSASB Issues IPSAS 43, Leases**

The International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board® (IPSASB®) has issued [International Public Sector Accounting Standard® \(IPSAS®\) 43, Leases](#). IPSAS 43 is based on International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS®) 16, Leases, developed by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB®). For lessees, IPSAS 43 introduces a right-of-use model that replaces the risks and rewards incidental to ownership model in IPSAS 13, Leases. For lessors, IPSAS 43 substantially carries forward the risks and rewards incidental to ownership model in IPSAS 13. IPSAS 43 has an effective date of January 1, 2025. Earlier application is permitted in certain circumstances.

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Going concern—a focus on disclosure**

The IFRS Foundation has published educational material on Going concern—a focus on disclosure. The education material can be accessed by clicking in the link below:

<https://www.ifrs.org/content/dam/ifrs/news/2021/going-concern-jan2021.pdf>

### **Tentative Agenda Decision and comment letters: Principal versus Agent: Software Reseller IFRS 15**

The IFRS Interpretations Committee (Committee) discussed the following matter and tentatively decided not to add a standard-setting project to the work plan. The Committee will reconsider this tentative decision,

including the reasons for not adding a standard-setting project, at a future meeting. The Committee invites comments on the tentative agenda decision. All comments will be on the public record and posted on our website unless a respondent requests confidentiality and we grant that request. We do not normally grant such requests unless they are supported by good reason, for example, commercial confidence.

The deadline for commenting on the tentative agenda decision is 8 February 2022. The Committee will consider all comments received in writing by that date; agenda papers analyzing comments received will include analysis only of comments received by that date. The deadline for commenting on the tentative agenda decision is 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2022

For Login/Register to submit the comment letter, [please click here](#).

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Exposure Draft and comment letters: Non-current Liabilities with Covenants**

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has proposed amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements to improve the information companies provide about long-term debt with covenants. The comment letter period is open until 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2022.

To Access the Exposure Draft, [please click here](#).

For Login/Register to submit the comment letter, [please click here](#).

For further details, [please click here](#).

### **Exposure Draft and comment letters: Supplier Finance Arrangements**

The International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) has proposed to amend IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows and IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures. The proposed disclosure-only amendments are intended to complement the requirements in IFRS accounting standards that apply to supplier finance arrangements. The comment letter period is open until 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.

To Access the Exposure Draft, [please click here](#).

For Login/Register to submit the comment letter, [please click here](#).

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