

Significant Initiatives undertaken by the Indirect Taxes Committee during the current year

1. Activities relating to Union Budget, 2015 -16

➤ Budget Viewing Session at Head Office, New Delhi

A Budget Viewing Session was organised by the Committee jointly with Direct Taxes Committee and Committee on International Taxation on 28th February, 2015 at the Head Office, New Delhi which was attended by Council Members and other eminent members invited for the same. After the budget was presented by the Finance Minister, members discussed various proposals contained in the Finance Bill, 2015 and the highlights of the Budget Proposals were hosted on the website on the same day.

➤ Live Webcast on Budget Proposals

The Committee organised a live webcast on Budget Proposals contained in Union Budget 2015-16 on 28th February, 2015 wherein highlights of the Budget Proposals were discussed. President, Vice-President, ICAI, Chairmen, Indirect Taxes Committee, Direct Taxes Committee and Committee on International Taxation & other eminent experts addressed members during the webcasts and presented their views in respect of Budget Proposals.

➤ Post Budget Memorandum, 2015 - Indirect Taxes

The Committee has submitted its Post Budget Memorandum, 2015 on Indirect Taxes to the Government on 27th March, 2015. The Memorandum contains suggestions for removing the practical difficulties which may arise in implementing budget proposals.

2. Publication

Compliances of Service Tax in Banking Sector - Revision

The Committee has revised its publication "Compliance of Service Tax in Banking Sector". It inter-alia, contains Questionnaire for Service Tax Audit of Banks, which would be helpful for the members in checking the compliance of service tax in Banking Sector.

3. Programmes / Seminars / Conferences/Workshops

With a view to update the members and assist them to continue to enjoy the edge over other professional, the committee has been regularly organising various

seminar and conferences. During the year, following seminar and conferences have been organised by the Committee:

S. No.	Date	Seminar/ Conference/ Workshop	City
1.	12 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Patna
2.	12 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Erode
3.	16 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Jalandhar
4.	17 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Chandigarh
5.	21 st February, 2015	Programme on GST	Jamnagar
6.	24 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Gurgaon
7.	26 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Ajmer
8.	26 th February, 2015	Programme on GST	Agra
9.	28 th February, 2015	Budget Viewing Session	Delhi
10.	1 st March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Ghaziabad
11.	4 th March, 2015	Programme on GST	Muzaffarnagar
12.	6 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Tirupur
13.	7 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Jalgaon
14.	7 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget & GST	Rourkela
15.	9 th March, 2015	Programme on GST	Tirupati
16.	12 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Guwahati
17.	14 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Bharatpur
18.	14 th March, 2015	Programme on Union Budget 2015 - 16	Kishangarh
19.	20 th March, 2015	Workshop on Finance Bill 2015 and GST	Sangrur

20.	21 st March, 2015	Programme on GST	Shimla
21.	21 st March, 2015	One Day Seminar on Changes in Rajasthan Vat Act & Rule	Pali
22.	22 nd March, 2015	Programme on GST	Pune
23.	4 th April, 2015	Workshop on GST	Indore
24.	11 th April, 2015	Training Programme on GST for Council Members	Hyderabad

4. Training for Government Officers

➤ CBEC Kit

The Committee has developed CBEC Kit to facilitate the Excise and Service Tax Commissionerates to understand the need, objective and benefit of the training programme organised for their officials as an initiative to partner the Government in Nation Building. The Kit contains brief of training programme, its objective and Background Material.

➤ Training Programme on Service Tax for Officials of Excise/Service Tax Commissionerate

With a view to help the Government in its capacity building and partner them in Nation Building, the Committee has been regularly organising training programmes for officials of Excise and Service Tax Commissionerate. Since February, 2015, the Committee has organised the training programmes for the following Commissionerates and NACEN:

Sl. No.	Commissionerate	Date	Venue
1.	Thiruvananthapuram Commissionerate	18 th and 19 th February, 2015	I.C.E. Bhavan, Press Club Road, Thiruvananthapuram
2.	NACEN, Chennai	7 th to 9 th April, 2015	NACEN, Regional Training Institute, ATC Road, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai

Such training programme will go a long way in strengthening the association of ICAI and Department.

5. Live Webcasts

The Indirect Taxes Committee has organised following webinars as a nationwide outreach programme for members:

Date	Topics	Faculty
28 th February, 2015	Tax Proposals of Union Budget, 2015-16 <i>(Jointly organised jointly by Direct and Indirect Taxes Committee along with Committee on International Taxation)</i>	President, Vice-President, ICAI, Chairmen, Indirect Taxes Committee, Direct Taxes Committee and Committee on International Taxation & other eminent experts
19 th March, 2015	Indirect Tax Proposal contained in Union Budget, 2015-16	CA. Atul Gupta
17 th April, 2015	Service Tax issue under Construction industries including Renting of immovable property	CA. A. Saiprasad