

# CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNIQUE

Dear All,



*“Quality is not an act, it is a habit.” - Aristotle.*

I am sure you would have gone through **BSE Circular dated 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2012, on SME listing certification by practising company secretaries**. This is the result of the vision of and persistent persuasion with the capital market authorities by our central leadership. Personally I am of the belief that, SME certification is a big opportunity to us and am sure, we will avail fullest of this opportunity and at the same time rise up to the expectations of capital markets.

ICSI-WIRC has been organising its professional development programs with defined objectives and identified purpose, including that of **capacity building of members for emerging opportunities**. Pro-actively, ICSI-WIRC organised several sessions on SME listing during the year much before the BSE announcement about SME listing certification. ICSI-WIRC is organising another high-profile program on SME listing on 27<sup>th</sup> December at Aurangabad alongwith ASSOCHAM, CMIA (Chamber of Marathwada Industries & Agriculture) and BSE. Such programs should add immense value to the

professional development initiatives of ICSI-WIRC.

The sentiments at ICSI-WIRO are on roller coaster ride much before the X-mas and new-year celebrations. And this is because of multifarious initiatives getting rolled out one after the other. It lends me deep sense of pride and privilege to share that ICSI-WIRC pioneered several unprecedented activities and completed yet another successful month witnessing various new initiatives. Let me present some of the **highlights of major developments** at ICSI-WIRC since my last communiqué.

- ✓ **Revival of WIRO Library** : It provides me immense satisfaction sharing the completion of this long-pending project through revival of WIRO library. With the help of a special committee, we added several features including the following to our library :
  - Latest books, ICSI and WIRC publications
  - Online legal portals, viz Taxmann and Legal Pundits
  - Legal journals including Company Cases, SCL etc.
  - Magazines including Chartered Secretary, FOCUS, M&A Critique, Economist etc.
  - Dailies, annual reports, MSOP project reports and program backgrounders
  - Computers, ‘take note’ facility and borrow facility

While the formal inauguration of the revived library is slated later this month, meanwhile we have opened the membership scheme for our members and students. A nominal annual fee of Rs. 200 is fixed (minimum prescribed under the ICSI Regulations) to encourage wider section of members to avail of this useful facility.

- ✓ **Students’ Conference jointly with Goa and Surat Chapter** : In the series of students’ conferences being organised across the region, ICSI-WIRC organised three more such conference at Goa, Surat and Mumbai. Through this confluence of Knowledge with sense of career opportunities, WIRC students received most valuable tips on important topics like ‘How to Succeed in Exams’, “Career as a Company Secretary” and the like.
- ✓ **ICSI-WIRC Investor Awareness Quarter** : I am pleased to share that we had successfully organised, jointly with MCA and BSE, more than fifty investor awareness programmes in various parts of Maharashtra and Goa including remote areas. No-one, in my view, would have attempted such a mammoth task of organising large number of such programs, that too in remote areas.

I thank all those members and volunteers who are helping WIRO accomplishing this mammoth task of organising 100 such programs in a short span of 3 months, as desired by MCA. This initiative of ICSI-WIRC has brought laurels to our Profession.

- ✓ **1<sup>st</sup>-ever Inter-region Sports Meet :** ICSI-WIRC organised the first-ever inter-region sports meet where the other regions across the nation participated. One of the focus areas during the year has been 'Health, Sports & Culture' and towards that ICSI-WIRC have pioneered and organized the first-ever Inter-Region Sports Competition where CS members & students across the country have come to enthusiastically participate in various sports like Rock climbing, Hurdle race, Disk throw, Carrom, Chess and Table Tennis. Compliments to Surat Chapter to make this project a reality.
- ✓ **Four Regional Councils' Joint Program at Jalandhar, Punjab :** WIRC organised jointly with other four regional councils, a high profile program hosted by NIRC on SME at Jalandhar, on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2012 followed by an excursion on 16<sup>th</sup> December at some of the historic places including Jaliawala Bagh at Amritsar.
- ✓ **ICSI-WIRC MCA Annual Cricket Match Competition :** Friends, we have been organising cricket match with MCA annually and continuing with the tradition of WIRC, this year we are organising this prestigious annual event at one of the reputed playgrounds of Mumbai, viz. Hindu Gymkhana, Marine drive. By the time you would receive this FOCUS, this event would have been organised.
- ✓ **Change in WIRO Manpower :** This is to inform all members that Shri Sudipto Pal, Joint Director, WIRO has been transferred to CCGRT and Shri DVNS Sarma, Assistant Director is now leading the administration at WIRO. Members may please note his email id for coordination, [dvns.sarma@icsi.edu](mailto:dvns.sarma@icsi.edu).

Besides, several high-profile programs are being organised including the ones which are tabulated here (tentative). I appeal all members to participate in large numbers and make these initiatives successful.

Program	Date (Tentative)	Location
Seminar on SME jointly with Aurangabad Chapter, BSE and CMIA	27 <sup>th</sup> Dec, '12	Aurangabad
1 <sup>st</sup> Maharashtra State Conference	4 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan, '13	Sirdi
1 <sup>st</sup> Chatisgarh State Conference	6 <sup>th</sup> Jan, '13	Raipur
Annual Regional PCS Conference	9 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan, '13	Vadodara
1 <sup>st</sup> Goa State Conference	12 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan, '13	Goa

Friends, I convey my deep condolences on the sad demise of two of our senior members who led ICSI-WIRC successfully and supported wholeheartedly, S/Shri Nalin Shah and V Sithapathy. May the departed souls rest in peace and I pray almighty to provide courage to their family members to withstand this grave situation.

Please do write at [chairman.wirc@icsi.edu](mailto:chairman.wirc@icsi.edu) / [cschairman.wirc@gmail.com](mailto:cschairman.wirc@gmail.com) Your suggestions and inputs would help achieve the overall objectives towards our theme of the year 2012 - *"Educate, Empower & Execute"*.

Best Wishes and Season's Greetings,



Cordially -Mahavir Lunawat

December 16, 2012

### Requests...

- Become a member of ICSI Benevolent Fund (CSBF)
- Help in fund-raising initiatives of ICSI-WIRC
- Become a member of WIRC Professional Membership Scheme (PMS)