

# BCICAI - Keeping CA channels of knowledge live

“Like the lawyers did during the freedom struggle, I urge the CAs to take the lead in the journey towards India’s economic growth,” said Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi as he launched the updated curriculum for Chartered Accountancy course on July 1, 2017, which is celebrated as CA Day. His words resonated around the world, where chapters of the ICAI strive to keep the connection strong with their parent body and keep Chartered Accountant members updated and abreast of developments and trends in the financial world.

“PM Modi’s speech came on the day of implementation of the Goods and Service Tax (GST) in India and was a particularly relevant reminder of the important role CAs play in the progress of all countries,” said Bahrain Chapter Chairperson CA Uday Shanbhag, “As the new Executive committee takes the reins of BCICAI, we are drawing up plans to align our vision with the ICAI and the expectations expressed by PM Modi. As finance professionals based overseas, we also have a strong commitment to support the progress and development of the Kingdom of Bahrain.”

Members of BCICAI are very highly placed – they are CEOs, CFOs, professionals in the service industry and business owners and CA Shanbhag says they add value to organisations and provide the vision to re-engineer their company’s work structure to overcome challenges.

“CAs serve as transformative guides



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in their companies and we at BCICAI will continue to equite them with all the new information and knowledge about evolving finance scenarios such as GST in India and VAT in the GCC. From these will rise opportunities that CAs will undoubtedly seize for their organisations and for themselves.”

The BCICAI Executive Committee for 2017-'18 finds itself filling big boots – after all, the previous committee led the Bahrain Chapter to a rare pinnacle and won the Best Overseas Chapter of the ICAI for 2016 in Category II (out of 30 chapters globally). CA Shanbhag and his team are full of ideas on taking forward this legacy and have drawn up a busy calendar of social and educational events, with the most anticipated International Conference to be held on

1st and 2nd December 2017 under the theme 'Transforming Possibilities into Reality'.

“We want to make awareness about the profession by reaching out to parents and students. This will help to popularize CA course as a vibrant study option for student,” said CA Shanbhag, “We would love to hear from people wanting to become members and also encourage people to share their special knowledge and skills with us through our regular monthly meetings so that the community is enriched.”

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**15<sup>th</sup> August**  
**INDEPENDENCE DAY**



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