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## CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNIQUE



CA SACHIN MINIYAR

#### CHAIRPERSON, PUNE BRANCH OF WICASA OF ICAI

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! As we bid adieu to the past year and welcome the possibilities of a brand new

chapter, I extend my warmest wishes to each member of our dynamic community.

The journey of a Chartered Accountant student is no less than a thrilling expedition, filled with peaks of knowledge, valleys of challenges, and bridges of friendship that connect us all. As we set our sights on the horizon of 2024, I find myself brimming with excitement for the adventures that await us.

This year, let's infuse a dose of creativity into our academic pursuits. Whether it's finding inventive ways to study or expressing complex concepts through art, let your creative genius shine. Who says debits and credits can't be a masterpiece?

Let's embark on a mission to spread joy through random acts of kindness within our community. Whether it's sharing study notes, olering words of encouragement, or surprising a fellow member with a virtual high-five, let's create ripples of positivity.

Let's make 2024 the year we redefine what it means to be in a CA community. Here's to embracing challenges, celebrating victories, and crafting a memorable year together!

Best regards, CA Sachin Miniyar Chairperson WICASA Pune

## JOINT SECRETARY'S COMMUNIQUE



## MR. OMKAR PHAPAL JOINT SECRETARY, PUNE BRANCH OF WICASA OF ICAI

**Happy New Year, Fellow CA Students!** 

As we embark on this promising new year, let's kickstart it with renewed vigor and enthusiasm. It's time to set ambitious goals, chart our path, and push our boundaries to achieve our dreams. Remember, success is not merely a destination; it's about relishing the journey. So, let's embrace the challenges ahead, enjoy the learning process, and grow stronger with each step towards our aspirations.

#### **Pune WICASA's Successful National Conference**

We are thrilled to share the resounding success of the recent National Conference hosted by Pune WICASA. This event was a testament to the dedication and passion of every participant, the invaluable insights from our esteemed guests, the unwavering support from our incredible team, and the relentless commitment of our volunteers—the pillars of this remarkable gathering.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for making this conference a grand success. Your enthusiasm, engagement, and contributions were instrumental in creating an enriching and memorable experience for all involved.

Let's carry this momentum forward as we continue our journey towards excellence. Together, let's aim higher, push harder, and celebrate every milestone on our path to success.

Best regards, Omkar Phapal Joint Secretary, Pune WICASA



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My Journey from Pages to Podium-Presenting a Paper to 2000 Minds.

It was the day of 23rd December 2023 when the National Conference for CA students was organized. The crowd was overwhelming. The aura and the ambiance radiated a magical quality, effortlessly pouring knowledge into the eager minds of young enthusiasts.

My mantra to success: Plan-Prepare-Present.

#### The Planning Phase:

The journey began when the announcement to participate in presenting the paper surfaced, and I thought of giving it a try. I selected the topic-"Opportunities in Offshore Accounting". I started researching it outlining the purpose, scope, and key messages I wanted to deliver, and prepared a Word file and PowerPoint Presentation. I submitted my paper on 4th December 2023. I kept reminding myself-"Don't think about the result, just do your Duty and Enjoy the journey."

After two weeks i.e. on 16th December 2023, I received an email from Pune WICASA about my selection. I was happy that my paper got selected out of countless masses that would have applied from all over India.

My first step involved setting clear objectives and defining the target audience to tailor my presentation accordingly. Even Anticipating potential challenges and having contingency plans in place added an extra layer of preparedness.

#### The Preparation Phase:

With the plan in place, the next phase was the exhaustive preparation that would turn my ideas on paper into a compelling narrative. Rehearsing the presentation multiple times helped refine the delivery and enhance my confidence.

I had to manage the preparation for presentation along with the industrial training work which was challenging yet exhilarating as it was the journey that pushed me to explore the depths of my capabilities and discover the strength that resides within.

#### The Presentation Phase:

As the day of the presentation approached, I embraced the culmination of my efforts with a sense of excitement and anticipation. Stepping onto the podium before 2000 minds was a thrilling moment, and my mantra—Plan-Prepare-Present—echoed in my mind.

My only motive was to deliver the knowledge that I persist and pass on to the audience as knowledge is the ultimate truth. As I completed the delivery of my presentation, the applause from the audience was overpowering. When I reflect on this journey, I carry forward the lessons learned, knowing that success lies not just in the destination but in the thoughtful and intentional steps taken along the way.



## KASTURI SURESH PALLOD WRO0723921

#### **EXPERIENCE AT DNYANCON2023**

Dnyancon2023? Naam toh suna hi hoga! Yes, you guessed it right. Dnyancon2023 means National Conference of CA Students held in Pune organised by Pune branch of WIRC and WICASA of ICAI which was based on theme "ज्ञानगम्य" means' ज्ञानं परमं सत्यं 'that is 'Knowledge is the ultimate truth'

Let us understand what does the Conference mean? Conference is a formal meeting of people who shares the common interest and which takes place over more than a day wherein people gather to talk about ideas and share the knowledge. So, we did in our Conference of CA Students.

Happiness is meeting people we look up to.

In this conference held at Pune on 23rd and 24thDecember 2023 everyone witnessed esteemed guest speakers such as Dr.Radhakrishnan Pillai sir who is an acclaimed author of 22 books on Chanakya and whose insights promise to enlighten and inspire everyone out there. Also, CA Sakchi Jain, CA Sumit Mehta, Karan lohiya presented at the conference where in they discussed on 'How to Monetize your Financial Expertise trough social media' to which every CA student can relate. Also, there were many Motivational Speakers presented at National Conference of CA students like CA Charanjot Singh Nanda sir and many other inspiring personalities. Nothing is more exciting than meeting such people , hearing their stories and being inspired.

The other part of the story which I would be sharing

with you all is my experience as a Volunteer at Dnyancon2023.

Several days passed away but cannot get over this wonderful event. What a day! What an experience! As a volunteer I got to learn so many things which cannot be taught in any of the institutions. This National Conference of CA Students taught me "TEAM"-Together Everyone Achieves More. From managing the crowd till guests, close interaction with paper presenters, understanding in true sense what hospitality does really mean it gave me all. Respecting everyone's opinion and perspective is a skill which can be developed in such beautiful events like conferences. Also, networking plays a crucial role in career building. Got to meet so many people who became good friends now.

Grateful to Pune WICASA for giving me an opportunity to volunteer such a blockbuster event. It is surely helping me to become a better person. Would like to end here by expressing my feelings in form of a Shayari

जिंदगी मैं इंतजार नहीं कोशिश कीजीए जनाब, क्यूकी इंतजार करने वालों को उतना ही मीलता है जितना कोशिश करने वाले छोड देते हैं।



### VARDA DESHMUKH WRO0772146

#### **VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE**

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be part of the management team of one of the largest CA conferences in India?

That's exactly what I did when I volunteered at the 'Dnyangamya' National CA students Conference held at Pune on 23rd and 24th of December. The conference was organized by Pune WICASA of ICAI jointly with the Western Indian Regional Council (WIRC) of the ICAI.

Having been a spectator at the Megaconference organised by the Pimpri Chinchwad Branch of ICAI, I was keen to explore the behind-the-scenes aspects of managing such a huge event. As a previous attendee of the Megaconference, I wanted to challenge myself by joining the management team and seeing how they pulled off such a successful event. And little did I know that this wish of mine would get fulfilled sooner than I thought.

Even though it was not possible for me to be a part of all the activities, I got a close look at how various situations are managed. I was able to observe how the core committee members efficiently handled circumstances under pressure.

Key takeaways for me as a volunteer:

 Communication skills: I had the opportunity to engage with diverse people and perspectives. This challenged me to express myself better and overcome my ambivert tendencies.

- Decision making: There were instances where I was required to make quick decisions based on the circumstances.
- Listening skills: I followed the instructions given to me with attention and accuracy. I also listened to the feedback and suggestions from others with an open mind.
- Crowd Management: As a huge crowd attended the conference, it was necessary to manage the crowd efficiently and avoid any mishaps.
- Process Analysis: Various processes like registration, kit packing and distribution, dais management, catering, hospitality of the guest speakers and paper presenters were required to be carried out to make the event a success. Me being an Internal Audit enthusiast, I was able to analyse the processes and infer whether they were carried out perfectly or required any optimization.
- Observation: I enjoyed learning new things from the speakers, presenters, and fellow volunteers during the two days.

Most importantly, I was able to work with a new set of amazing people while volunteering.

This has been one of the best experiences I've had and I'm looking forward to having many others.

It is true that when life gives us lemons, we'll have to make a lemonade, but life also provides us with opportunities. We just need to identify them, seize them and make the best out of them!

What do you think?



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## GLIMPSE OF PAST EVENTS (DECEMBER 2023)

23rd December 2023

### **DAY 1 – NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2023**



## **DAY 2 – NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2023**



## **HUMAN MOSAIC**

24th December 2023

CA @ 75



## GYAAN KI BAAT, GYANIYON KE SAATH INTERACTION WITH RANKERS

30th December 2023



