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# CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

**CA SHINE P. JOSEPH**  
**CHAIRMAN**

Dear Professional Colleagues,

As the year draws to a close, it's a good time to reflect on the past year and set goals for the upcoming year. In the personal end-of-year review, you can reflect on your personal goals, accomplishments, and areas for improvement in the past year.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all their efforts throughout the year. The success of our institution is built on the efforts of our members, and in this past year, we have enjoyed many successes. Thank you for the commitment that each one of you has shown us.

We've come through a year that was filled with both challenges and victories. How reassuring it's been to know that we can count on all of you regardless of what faces us. On behalf of ICAI Kottayam Branch, please allow me to extend my personal and genuine appreciation to each and every one of you for your valuable contributions to this organization. Working with you this past year has been a pleasure, and we're proud to have you all with us.

The end of the year is a poignant time for reflection and contemplation. As the final pages of the calendar turn, we often find ourselves looking back at the months gone by, pondering the lessons learnt, the challenges faced, and the memories made.

It's a period that brings a mix of emotions—gratitude for what was, nostalgia for what has passed, and anticipation for what is yet to come.

The month of December was very productive and filled with many activities at the Kottayam Branch. We conducted a one-day workshop on how to automate your accounting using Zoho Books' by Mr. Gopinath M and Mr. Syed Naazer with 6 hours of CPE credit.

On 12th December 2024, we conducted a CPE seminar on Accounting Standards, AS-16 Borrowing Cost, AS-18 Related Party Transactions, and AS-29 Provisions & Contingencies by CA. Amal Paul, Ernakulam, with 3 hours of CPE credit.

We celebrate Christmas on 19th December 2024 along with a CPE seminar on the consequences of non-compliance with provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961 (Religious and Charitable Trust/Institution).

A public awareness event about the Vividad Se Vishwas Scheme 2024 was organised by the Income Tax Department and the ICAI Kottayam chapter on December 19.

On 31st December 2024, we conducted our last CPE seminar of the year 2024 on 'Unravelling the complexities of SA: A Holistic Approach' by CA. Amal Paul, Ernakulam.

We also conducted a career counselling programme for students of the Kottayam educational district at MD Seminary HSS Kottayam during this month.

Our student organisation, SICASA, held several exam revision sessions. On December 15, they hosted a session for students to learn how to ace the CA exam. CA Allen Alex led the event, and

the students found the program to be very beneficial.

The deadline for completing CPE hours for the year 2024 has been extended from December 31, 2024, to February 28, 2025. Please take advantage of this chance to complete the required number of hours.

We are happy to announce that we completed 87 hours of CPE this year, which was a fantastic accomplishment.

Additionally, I want to congratulate all of the winners of the ICAI Central

Council and Regional Council elections, particularly CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil (Central Council) and CA. Deepa Varghese (Regional Council).

Additionally, I would like to congratulate the recently qualified chartered accountants and wish them luck in their future careers as chartered accountants.

"I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning,

living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world."

-Neil Gaiman-

I Wish you all a prosperous and peaceful New Year 2025, hope that you all had a wonderful Xmas and New Year Celebrations.

Jai Hind, Jai ICAI

**CA Shine P Joseph**  
**Chairman**

## One Day Workshop on How to Automate your accounting using Zoho Books





## CPE Seminar on Accounting Standards



## CPE Seminar





## Income Tax- Vivad Se Vishwas Scheme



## Career Counselling Programme

