



INDIAN ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REPORT – 2025-26

I am indeed happy to present the Annual Report of the Indian Accounting Association (IAA) for the year 2025-26. The Association has continued its journey of growth, innovation, and academic excellence during the year. Through the collective efforts of its members, branches, office bearers, and committees, IAA has further strengthened its position as a leading academic body dedicated to the promotion and development of accounting education, research, and professional excellence in India.

The major achievements and activities of the Association during the year are highlighted below.

1. IAA WEBSITE UPGRADATION

The Association has continued to strengthen its digital presence through regular updating and enhancement of its website. The website provides several member-friendly facilities, including:

- Online membership registration and payment facility.
- Online generation of Membership Certificates.
- Online generation of Membership Identity Cards.
- Facility for updating membership details online.
- Online access to almost all issues of the *Indian Journal of Accounting* since 1984 with author and title search facility.
- Access to details of past All India Accounting Conferences.
- Information regarding past Presidents and Office Bearers.
- Details of Branch Secretaries.
- Online Membership Directory.
- Feedback and communication facilities for members.

These initiatives have significantly improved transparency, accessibility, and member engagement.

2. FUNCTIONING OF SUB-COMMITTEES

The Association has benefitted immensely from the active involvement of Past Presidents, Executive Committee Members, and senior members through various sub-committees constituted for specific purposes. The following committees have been functioning effectively during the year:

- Annual Report Preparation Committee
- Accounts and Audit Committee
- Foreign Collaborations Committee
- Professional Bodies Liaison Committee

- All India Conference Promotion Committee
- NATS Promotion Committee
- IAA E-Content Development Committee
- IAA Registration Renewal Committee
- Accounting Discipline Committee
- Model Curriculum Development Committee
- Academic Standard Development Committee
- Technical Session Chairman and Co-Chairman Selection Norms Development Committee

The recommendations and contributions of these committees have helped the Association in policy formulation, academic planning, and organizational development.

3. IAA FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS

IAA Foundation Day was celebrated on 15 March 2026 across various branches of the Association. Branches organized academic and professional activities to commemorate the occasion and to promote the objectives and vision of the Association among members, researchers, and students.

4. ACADEMIC INITIATIVES OF IAA

The Association continued to promote academic excellence through several innovative initiatives:

IAA National Accounting Talent Search (NATS)

The flagship programme of the Association continued successfully, providing a platform for students to demonstrate their accounting knowledge and analytical skills.

IAA Accathon

The initiative encouraged students and young professionals to engage in innovative accounting and business problem-solving activities.

IAA START Forum

The START Forum continued to provide quality publication opportunities to emerging researchers and academicians.

IAA Research Helpline

The Research Helpline served as a valuable support mechanism for young researchers by providing guidance and assistance in research-related activities.

IAA National Quiz Competition

The Quiz Competition generated interest among students in accounting and allied disciplines and contributed to enhancing academic engagement.

5. DEVELOPMENT OF ACADEMIC STANDARDS

During the year, norms relating to the selection of Technical Session Chairpersons and Co-Chairpersons for IAA Conferences were developed and approved. The Academic Standards Committee also submitted recommendations regarding the conduct and quality enhancement of academic activities at IAA conferences and other programmes.

These initiatives are expected to improve academic quality, consistency, and professionalism across all activities of the Association.

6. BRANCH ACTIVITIES AND ACADEMIC OUTREACH

The branches of IAA continued to play a significant role in advancing the objectives of the Association. A large number of academic events were organized across the country, including:

- National and International Webinars
- Faculty Development Programmes
- Workshops
- Lecture Series
- Research-Oriented Programmes
- Professional Development Activities

Many of these programmes were organized in collaboration with universities, educational institutions, and professional bodies, thereby expanding the academic reach and impact of the Association.

7. ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH

The year witnessed remarkable growth and consolidation of the Association.

- Life membership crossed the milestone of **9,150 members**.
- The Association expanded its network to **61 branches** across the country.
- The **IAA Corpus Fund** reached an all-time high of approximately **₹3.05 crore**.

Continuous interaction with Branch Secretaries, regular reporting of branch activities, and improved website-based reporting mechanisms have contributed significantly to organizational efficiency and accountability.

8. NATIONAL ACCOUNTING TALENT SEARCH (NATS)

The Association successfully conducted the **National Accounting Talent Search (NATS)** examination for the eighteenth consecutive year. The examination was conducted online, ensuring wider participation and operational efficiency.

The Association places on record its appreciation for the valuable contributions of the NATS Coordinators and their dedicated team members whose efforts ensured the smooth conduct of the examination.

9. INDIAN JOURNAL OF ACCOUNTING

The *Indian Journal of Accounting* continued to maintain high academic standards through a rigorous blind peer-review process. The online Journal Management System has facilitated efficient manuscript processing and publication management.

The Association appreciates the efforts of the Editorial Team for maintaining the quality and regularity of the Journal, thereby contributing to accounting research and scholarship.

10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The achievements of the Association during the year have been possible because of the dedicated efforts and cooperation of its members, branch office bearers, Executive Committee Members, Past Presidents, and well-wishers.

I express my sincere gratitude to the President, all Office Bearers, Executive Committee Members, Branch Secretaries, and members of the Association for their unwavering support and commitment. I also place on record my appreciation for the valuable guidance received from our Past Presidents and senior members.

I am confident that with the continued support of all stakeholders, the Indian Accounting Association will further strengthen its academic contributions and continue to serve the accounting profession with renewed vigour and excellence.

I place this Annual Report before the Executive Committee and the Annual General Meeting for their consideration and approval.

Thank you and wish you all happy and prosperous Deepawali.

16th September, 2026



Sanjay Bhayani
General Secretary