



IAA-START Colloquium

An Initiative of *Indian Accounting Association*

27th February, 2026

Time - 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM (IST)

Our Participating Journals

- Prof. Hooy Chee Wooi, Chief Editor, Asian Academy of Management Journal of Accounting and Finance, ISSN: 1823-4992, eISSN: 2180-4192, Q4 SCOPUS INDEXED, ABDC Ranking "C". Publisher: Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia.
- Dr. P. Bhanu Sireesha, Editor, IUP Journal of Accounting Research and Audit Practices, ISSN: 0972-690X, ABDC Ranking "C". Publisher: IUP Publications, India.
- D. Dharen Kumar Pandey, Chief Editor, International Journal of Accounting, Business and Finance, E-ISSN: 2583-2123. Publisher: Indian Accounting Association, Patna Branch
- Prof. Sanjay Bhayani, Chief Editor, Journal of Commerce and Accounting Research, ISSN: 2277-2146, ABDC Ranking "C", Publisher: Publishing India Group



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Last date for paper submission
February 24th, 2026



About IAA START

IAA START (Strengthening the Accounting Research Talent) Forum is an innovative research platform established under the auspices of the Indian Accounting Association (IAA) with a dedicated focus on promoting and facilitating high-quality research in accounting. Our mission is to create a collaborative environment where researchers, academicians, and publishers can come together to engage in meaningful dialogue, exchange groundbreaking ideas, and contribute to the development of accounting research and practice. At IAA START Forum, we are committed to bridging the gap between researchers & highly rated publishers and supporting impactful research in the field of accounting. Through colloquiums, workshops, conferences, and interactive sessions, we aim to provide resources and networking opportunities that empower researchers to address emerging challenges in accounting and influence future standards and policies. By championing these efforts, IAA START Forum aspires to become a trusted hub for accounting professionals and scholars globally, advancing both academic inquiry and practical innovation in the field of accounting research.

VISION

"Emerge as a leading platform for fostering innovation, collaboration, and excellence in accounting research."

MISSION

1. To create a collaborative environment for high-quality research in accounting and related disciplines.
2. To bridge the gap between researchers and publishers through colloquiums and interactive sessions.
3. To organize national and international level conferences, workshops, and events to share research insights.
4. To promote the professional development of researchers through mentorship and training programs.
5. To encourage the publication of impactful research that addresses emerging trends and challenges in accounting.

About Indian Accounting Association

The Indian Accounting Association is an interface between academicians, professional and practitioners from various universities, business, industry, and government. The main function of IAA is to promote and disseminate the knowledge of accounting and the related subjects in India and abroad. Further, it aims to undertake and encourage research in the field of accounting. Ever since its inception, the IAA has served as an important forum for raising the status of accounting both as a discipline and as an important tool for managerial decision making. The association was founded by academicians and professionals in accounting on March 15, 1969, and was inaugurated on February 14, 1970 by the then Accountant General of Uttar Pradesh at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. American Accounting Association now has a close relationship with IAA, and offers its membership at substantial concession to life members of Indian Accounting Association. At present, IAA has a network of 61 branches in India with more than 9200 life members, and a Research Foundation as an affiliate at Kolkata. It also brings out a biannual research journal 'Indian Journal of Accounting' in the months of June & December to give wider publicity to research findings. The Indian Accounting Association is the largest among similar associations in the world. The National Accounting Talent Search, an annual nationwide competition in accounting for youths organized by the IAA for over fifteen years, is unique among its kind on a global scale. The Association offers Life Membership and Annual Membership for Individuals and Institutions through its chapters across India.

IAA START Forum

Step 1: Registration

Eligibility: Participants with high-quality research papers are invited to register with IAA START.

Registration Fee:

Life Members of IAA: ₹200

Non-Life Members: ₹300

Process: Registration should be completed through the designated platform or form provided by IAA START.

Step 2: Publisher Outreach

IAA START will reach out to reputed publishers, journals, and indexed book publishers to invite them to participate in the upcoming colloquium.

A list of these publishers and journals will be shared with registered participants to provide transparency on publishing opportunities.

Step 3: Preliminary-Blind Peer Review

All submitted papers will undergo a preliminary-blind peer review process to ensure academic integrity and quality. IAA START will coordinate the review process and ensure timely communication with authors.

Step 4: Communication of Review Results

Upon completion of the peer review, authors will receive feedback reports detailing strengths and areas for improvement in their papers.

The review results, along with a list of papers including titles, research areas, and other relevant details, will also be shared with the potential publishers.

Step 5: Colloquium Presentation

Selected papers will have the opportunity to be presented at the colloquium. Each participant shall be given 15 minutes for presentation, with an additional 5 minutes for a Q&A session with the audience, including potential publishers.

Publishing Decisions: After presentation the papers may be selected for further process of publication by the editors participating in the colloquium. Decisions on publishing will be made exclusively by the publishers based on their criteria and standards, with no obligation on the part of IAA START.

Step 6: Final Publishing Decision

Authors whose papers are selected by publishers will be contacted directly by the respective journal editors or publishers. The selected publishers and authors will handle contract and publication arrangements independently.

Objective of the Research Colloquium

The Research Colloquium aims to showcase emerging research in accounting and allied areas, while fostering academic dialogue, collaboration, and innovation. It provides a platform for researchers to receive constructive feedback, enhance the quality of their work, and engage with peers and experts. By facilitating interaction with journal editors, the colloquium also offers potential publication opportunities, thereby supporting the advancement of impactful and rigorous accounting research.

Call for Papers

We invite original and high-quality research papers for presentation at the IAA START Forum Research Colloquium. Submissions are welcome in the form of conceptual, empirical, theoretical, or case-based studies that contribute meaningfully to the field of accounting and its allied areas.

Please ensure that your research papers cover the below-mentioned broad areas in order to avoid desk rejection. The areas are as follows:

Financial Accounting, Reporting, Management Accounting & Control, Auditing, Assurance & Forensic Accounting, Taxation & Fiscal Accounting, Governance, ESG & Sustainability Accounting, Accounting Information Systems, Public Sector Accounting, Non-profit Accounting, Accounting Education, Behavioural Accounting & International and Comparative Accounting.

Authors are required to submit an abstract of 300–350 words (with relevant keywords), and the full paper should not exceed 5,000 words. All submissions must follow APA 7th edition style, formatted in Times New Roman, 12-point font, with 1.5 line spacing. Submissions should be emailed to: iaa.startforum@gmail.com

Last Date for Full Paper: 24th February 2026

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