### **HISTORY OF SALEM BRANCH**

### Position of Accountancy Profession in pre independent period

The Companies Act, 1913 passed in pre-independent India, prescribed various books which had to be maintained by a Company registered under that Act. It also required the appointment of a formal Auditor with prescribed qualifications to audit such records. In order to act as an auditor, a person had to acquire a restricted certificate from the local Government upon such conditions as may be prescribed. The holder of a restricted certificate was allowed to practice only within the province and in the language specified in the restricted certificate. *In 1918, a course called Government Diploma in Accountancy was launched in Sydenham College of Commerce and Economics of Bombay (now known as Mumbai)*. On passing this diploma and completion of three years of articled training under an approved accountant, a person was held eligible for grant of an unrestricted certificate. This certificate entitling the holder to practice as an auditor throughout India. Later on, the issue of restricted certificates was discontinued in the year 1920.

In the year 1930, it was decided that the Government of India should maintain a register called the Register of Accountants. Any person whose name was entered in such register was called a Registered Accountant.

Later on a board called the Indian Accountancy Board was established to advise the Governor General of India on accountancy and the qualifications for auditors. However it was felt that the accountancy profession was largely unregulated, and this caused much confusion as regards the qualifications of auditors.

### Post-independence stance of the Government

In the year 1948, just after independence in 1947, an expert committee was created to look into the matter. This expert committee recommended that a separate autonomous association of accountants should be formed to regulate the profession. The Government of India accepted the recommendation and passed the Chartered Accountants Act in 1949, even before India became a Republic. Under Section 3 of the said Act, ICAI was established as a Body Corporate with perpetual succession and a Common Seal.

Unlike most other commonwealth countries, the word "Chartered" does not refer to a Royal Charter, since India is a Republic. At the time of passing the Chartered Accountants Act, various titles used for similar professionals in other countries were considered, such as Certified Public Accountant. However, many accountants had already acquired membership of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and other Chartered Institutes of Great Britain and were practicing as Chartered Accountants. This had created some sort of brand value. This designation inherited a public impression that Chartered Accountants had better qualifications than Registered Accountants. Hence the accountants were very stern in their stand that, the Indian accountancy professionals should be designated only as Chartered Accountants. After much debate in the Indian Constituent Assembly, the term, "Chartered" was accepted. When the

Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1949, the term "Chartered Accountant" superseded the title of Registered Accountant. This day is celebrated as Chartered Accountants day every year.

### Pioneers of the profession from Salem

CA. G. Ranganathan, Past Chairman of Salem branch, remembers the early stalwarts namely M/s. N.C.Rajagopal & Co., had offices at Erode and Salem. Mr. M.S. Krishnasamy of M/s. M.S. Krishnasamy and Jagannathan, Mr. U.R. Ganapathy of Erode, M/s. Rajamani and Sankaran of Tanjore and Salem were the earliest members.

Mr. V.V. Soundararajan after qualifying joined M/s. G. Sankara Iyer and later started of his own.

Mr. G. Sankara Iyer of M/s. Rajamani and Sankaran took over Salem office and Mr. Rajamani Iyer retained Tanjore office.

Mr. K.S. Iyer (Srinivasa Iyer) joined M/s. N.C. Rajagopal & Co., and started of his own later.

Mr. N.V. Subramaniam joined U.R. Ganapathy & Co., and after training started of his own.

Mr. P. Natarajan after training with Mr. G. Sankara Iyer started his own.

Mr. R. Ramasamy was with M/s. M.S. Krishnasamy and Jagannathan and started his own.

Mr. S.V. Kesavan was with Mr. G. Sankara Iyer and started his own later.

Mr. Rajaratnam Chettiar started his own with Branch at Madras and later he settled down at Madras.

These were the earlier auditors who were GDAs (Government Diploma in Accountancy) and RAs (Registered Accountants).

CA. K.R. Sarangapani was the first to become Chartered Accountant from Salem.

#### Salem District Chartered Accountants Association – 1961

In 1961, 10 years earlier to the formation of branch in Salem, the concept of regional branches was not even in the stage of embryo in Central or Regional level. The Chartered Accountants of Salem took the very first step for this in Salem.

CA. K.R. Sarangapani

A society called **Salem District Chartered Accountants Association** was formed in the year 1961 and duly got registered under the Societies Registration Act.

G. Sankara Iyer was its First President. V.V. Soundarrajan & P. Natarajan were Vice Presidents. G. Ranganathan was the Secretary

It was inaugurated by the then president of ICAI, CA. P. Brahmayya alongside other senior Chartered Accountants, CA. M.S. Srinivasa Iyengar, Central Council Members CA. D. Rangasamy,

CA. V. Soundarrajan, with SIRC Secretary CA. Shankar and other members CA. G. Narayanasamy and CA. P.B. Vijayaragavan.

This Society is the forerunner in many of the activities, organised lot of seminars with speakers from Madras, Bangalore and other places who were very famous during that time.

The Society organised a regional seminar at that time and invited the then Minister of State. During the function a representation was made to the minister that Salem Income Tax office with 12 officers, required an inspecting Assistant Commissioner. Immediately, on the floor, he announced that a new office is sanctioned and to be governed by the inspecting Assistant Commissioner from Madras. Salem became a self-regulated body of the Income Tax Department, from then.

There is also another significant work done by this Society. During 1968, Sec. 40A(3) was brought in statute book - wherein any payment over Rs. 2,500 in cash was disallowed- big blow to assessees engaged in agriculture and trading. The society members CA. K. Sivaramakrishnan, CA. B. Jagadeesan, CA. G. Ranganathan, CA. Varadarajan, P.S. Parthasarathy (ITP) with the aid of Mr. R.T. Parthasarathy, then sitting MP from Salem, made a representation to the Finance Ministry to redress the situation in which agriculturists and traders, who does not have a bank account, facing a huge blow. Subsequently, with help of other parliamentarians, a meeting with the then Finance Minister Mr. Y.B. Chavan was arranged in Delhi. The representation was heard and the Finance Minister called the Chairman of CBDT and checked the rule and its impediments. At once, the rule 60BJ was brought into book which relieved the agriculturists and traders from clutch of the previous section.

Even before having a branch, this is how the members from Salem took up issues with the help of the Society and its members.

#### 1971-1996

In all these years, only one member from Salem was elected to Regional Council and became its Chairman, CA. K. Sivaramakrishnan during 1971.

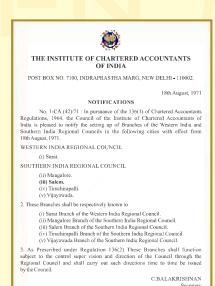
Even though our district lacked requisite number of members to form a branch, he roped in Erode along and in 1971, SIRC sanctioned the request for opening a branch.

**CA. V.V. Soundararajan became the first** Chairman of Salem branch of SIRC of ICAI.



CA. K. Sivaramakrishnan





The first seminar was held in masonic lodge with the topic - "Sale" under ST Act. CA. S. Venugopal and CA. G. Ranganathan jointly presented the papers.

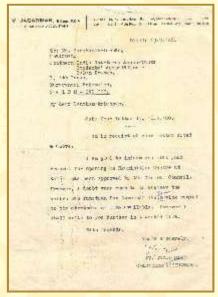
Simultaneously, strenuous efforts were put in by CA. N. Santhanakrishnan, CA. P.R. Soundararajan along with other members to form the students' wing in Salem. Eventually, the Salem Branch of SICASA was formed on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 1972.

At that time, Salem did not have an examination centre. At least 50 students were required for an examination centre. CA. N. Santhanakrishnan obtained signatures of more than 50 students who were agreeing to appear for the exams at Salem. The Institute rejected it. Their contention was that the list included some students' names who have appeared for the latest exams and if they pass, they could not be considered.

CA. N. Santhanakrishnan waited for the results to be declared and then, he prepared a fresh list with eligible candidates signing the petition. He sent the list to the Institute and it was rejected again. It was informed that the examination centres were announced along with the results and no new centre could be added. Agitated by these, CA. N. Santhanakrishnan tendered his resignation from the Managing Committee explaining the circumstances.

After some time he received a letter from a Central Council Member that a centre would be opened at Salem, though not in the immediate next examination. Sanction of an examination centre to Salem proved beneficial in many ways. About 150 students appeared for the first time centre.

#### Letter announcing the opening of Examination Centre at Salem





The branch operated in rented building(s) for over 20 years – in Town Railway Station Road, Gandhi Road and Sundaram hospital Building.

CA. N. Santhanakrishnan addressing the members in the taxation seminar organized by SIRC of ICAI & Hosted by Salem Branch of ICAI, held at National Hotel in 1982

On 24<sup>th</sup> February 1991, a National Seminar on Taxation and Commerce was initiated by the University Liaison Committee, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and organised by the Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI and Department of Commerce, Madras University PG Extension Centre, GCE Campus, Salem. The Technical Sessions were handled by Dr. K. Gopalakrishnan, Professor and Head, Department of Commerce, Annamalai University, Mrs. R. Rajeswari, Head of the Department of Commerce, Sri Sarada College for Women, Salem and CA. S. Vijayaraghavan, Chartered Accountant, Chennai.

During the Chairmanship of CA. G. Ranganathan (1991-95), with huge contributions from members and by mobilising funds from generous clients, Salem branch purchased a plot in the name of the Institute. On 8<sup>th</sup> December 1994, CA. N.C. Sundararajan, President-ICAI (1992-93) laid the foundation stone for the branch building. It was the very first time that, apart from Delhi and Regional Councils, a property was purchased in name of Institute. After construction of the building, it was handed over to the Institute.



Salem Branch Building in progress



### 1996-1997

This as the Silver Jubilee Year of Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI. CA Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at Yercaud on Sunday (7<sup>th</sup> July 1996). Members with their family participated in games and entertainment programmes.

Salem Branch was recognised with an award at the Regional Conference held at Cochin on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November, 1996, for the commendable activities carried out under SICASA for the year 1995. CA. Pl. Arumugam was the then SICASA Chairman.

SIRC organised a residential seminar on Taxation at Yercaud on 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> January, 1997, hosted by Salem Branch.

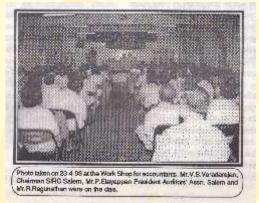
#### 1997-1998

A Moot Tribunal was organised on 9<sup>th</sup> May 1997.

A VDIS Cricket match was conducted on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1997 at Little Flower School Play Ground. Mrs. Rajamani, Commissioner of Income Tax inaugurated the match between Income Tax employees and tax payers. IT employees won the match.

#### 1998-2001

Annual Seminar Scheme was introduced for the first time. This scheme enabled the members to pay a one-time fee to participate in all the programmes held by the branch. 60 member enrolled and benefited by the programme.



Workshop for Accountants (later termed as Tax Clinic) on Income Tax was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1998 for the first time with more than 300 delegates.



1998 was the Golden Jubilee Year of the Institute. The branch held various activities to mark the occasion.

CA. N. Santhanakrishnan addressed the gathering in the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Institute.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 1998, CA. Rahul Roy, President of the Institute visited Salem and opened the new building, under the presidentship of Hon'ble Thiru. Veerapandi. S. Arumugam, Minister for Agriculture Govt. of Tamilnadu. Dr. G. Soodamani, Worshipful Mayor of Salem was also present at the event.







On 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> August, 1999, a residential seminar was held at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud. SIRC Chairman, CA. G. Ramaswamy was the Chief Guest.



Mr.V.S. Ramadurai Secretary thanking the Senior Members and Past Chairmen on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee Celebration of SIRC on 1-4-2001

#### 2001-2004

On 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2001, Golden Jubilee Year Library of Salem Branch was inaugurated. Special flag hoisting on that day. Golden Jubilee souvenir released.

Recognition from ICAI - Excellent Performance Certificate for the year 2001 for the Best Branch of Regional Council.

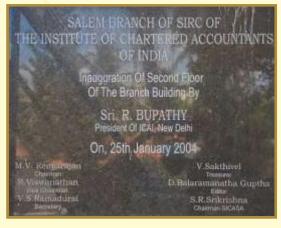
On 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2002, a resid<mark>ential</mark> seminar was organised at Kolli Hills.

Special Guest Dr. M.S. Udayamoorthy delivered a thought provoking and inspiring speech.



On 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2002, a residential seminar in association with Revenue Bar Association was conducted at Yercaud. Sri. P.K. Kashyap, IRS, Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and Sri. K. Ramesh, Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem were the Chief Guests. Sri. M.S. Mathivanan, Industrialist from Komarapalayam was the Guest of Honour.

On 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> July 2003, a CPE residential seminar in association with Association of Chartered Accountants, Chennai was conducted at Yercaud.

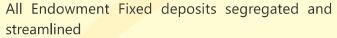


The new hall in the second floor was inaugurated on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2004 by CA. R. Bupathy, Past President of ICAI.

CA. S. R. Srikrishna, Chartered Accountant from Salem secured All India First Rank in ISA examinations held in September, 2003.

#### 2004-2005

For the first time, a two days' Modular Training Programme on Internal Audit was conducted at Hotel Cenneys Gateway with prominent speakers on 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2004.





Made period of branch chairmanship ONE YEAR to give opportunity for youngsters to be in branch management.

Salem branch received "Highly Commended Performance Certificate" for the year 2004 in the annual competition for the best branch of regional council at National Level.

#### 2005-2006

On 17<sup>th</sup> March 2005, a meeting with income Tax officials was organised on TDS Compliance. Sri S. Gopalakrishna, IRS, Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem, Sri. K. Ramesh, IRS, Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem, Sri R. Renganathan, IRS, Joint Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and Sri R.M. Shanmuga Sundaram, ITO, TDS Circle, Salem participated & answered the queries on TDS compliance.



On 30<sup>th</sup> April 2005, a separate cabin for the Branch Chairman with in the branch premises was opened by CA.G. Ramaswamy, Past SIRC Chairman.

On 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2005, a seminar was conducted on "Corporate Laws - Simplified Exit Scheme -2005". Sri. S. Chandrasekaran, Registrar of Companies, Coimbatore presided the function.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2005 Accountants Meet was

conducted. A Handbook on Taxation in Tamil was released for the benefit of accountants.

A residential seminar was held at Yercaud on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2005 inaugurated by CA. M. Kandasamy, Vice Chairman, SIRC.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### Usage of Letters 'CA.' (instead of 'C.A.')

With a view to enhance the brand image of the profession, the Council at its 254th meeting held in August, 2005 decided that members of the Institute may use the letters 'CA.' (insted of 'C.A.') as prefix to their names. The Council is of the View that use of letter CA, as prefix to the name of a member would not give any impression that it is the initials of the member. The members may accordingly use CA, as prefix to their names.

Source: www.icai.org

D u r i n g a function on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2005, the Branch Members' Directory with photographs was released by the Past Chairman of Salem branch, CA. S.V. Kesavan. This was the first time such a

directory was released.

Salem Branch of Southern India
Regional Council of
The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Members' Directory
2005

On 28<sup>th</sup> December 2005, a meeting was organised with the Income Tax Department on eTDS / eTCS compliance. Sri S. Gopalakrishna, IRS, CIT, Salem, Sri D.K. Singh, IRS, CIT(A), Salem, Sri C.R. Janardhan, IRS, Additional CIT, Salem and Sri R.M. Shanmuga Sundaram, ITO, TDS, Salem participated in the meeting.

#### 2006-2007

On 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2006, First ever Annual Conference of the Branch with the theme "Catalyzing Proactive Role" was held at Hotel Cenneys Gateway. The then President of ICAI CA. T.N. Manoharan inaugurated the Conference. CA. G. Ramaswamy, Central Council Member, CA. M. Kandasamy Chairman - SIRC, felicitated the Conference. Country's top most taxation expert CA. Pinakin D. Desai, Past Chairman, Bombay Chartered Accountants Society, CA. Jayanth Gokhale travelled all the way from Mumbai to address the gathering. Other key participants were CA. S.A. Murali Prasad of SAM Consultancy, Dr. S. Ravichandran, Company Secretary, Coimbatore. 208 Members participated in the Conference. Since then, the Annual Conference has become a regular event in the Salem Branch's Calendar.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2006, an Accountants Meet was conducted at Deiveegam Kalyana Mandapam. More than 375 delegated participated in the programme. A handbook in Tamil explaining the provisions of various Acts was released in the programme.

On 4<sup>th</sup> September 2006, a Mega Career Guidance Programme was organized at Sona College Auditorium. CA. V. Murali, Chairman, Board of Studies and Central Council Member delivered Keynote address. About 900 Students from 25 Schools and 2 Colleges and Teaching Community from the Institutions participated in the event.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2006, a special awareness Programme for Trading / Business Community was conducted in Tamil Language at Hotel Cenneys Gateway. Tamil Nadu Vanikar Sangam, Salem Dharmapuri Chambers of Commerce, Salem Productivity Council lent wholehearted support to the branch's efforts. About 277 Members from Business Community from Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri participated in the Business Meet. 36 members from CA fraternity participated.

#### 2007-2008

This was the first time the branch managing committee members were elected by conducting elections. Till then, the managing committee members were appointed by consensus. 8 members contested for the 6 member managing committee. The new committee was installed on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2007.



A Regional Residential Seminar was held at Yercaud on 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29th April, 2007. It was the first time SIRC organised a Residential Seminar giving the opportunity to a branch to host such an event. Salem Branch successfully conducted the event, drawing appreciation from all the participants. From then, Yercaud Residential Seminar has become a regular feature in SIRC's itinerary.

A Handbook on Taxation in Tamil was released in the Accountants Meet on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2007, helping the accountants and small tax payers in tax compliances.

A two days Residential seminar was held on  $10^{th}$  &  $11^{th}$  August, 2007 at Jayam Engineering College, Dharmapuri with 54 members.

A Computer training center was inaugurated at our branch on 18th August 2007 by SIRC Chairman CA. K.S. Madhavamurthy.

Full Day Annual Conference for students for the first time was held on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2007.

Second Annual Conference was held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2008 with 142 participants at Hotel Salem Castle. SIRC Chairman CA. K.S. Madhavamurthy, inaugurated the conference.



The newly constructed II Floor Annexe Building was inaugurated by ICAI Past President (2006-2007) CA. T.N. Manoharan on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2008.

A Mega Career Guidance Programme was held at Sona College Auditorium. CA. T.N. Manoharan Past President, ICAI addressed the gathering. More than 900 students from various schools and colleges in and round Salem participated in the programme.

A full-fledged Computer Center was inaugurated on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2008 by Central Council Member CA. G. Ramaswamy.

Branch website was launched on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2008. www.salemicai.org

For the first time, Live Panel Discussion on Union Budget 2008 in CTN TV was held on 29<sup>th</sup> February 2008. CA. N. Santhankrishnan, CA. R. Suresh, CA. V.S. Ashok Kumar and Mr. M. Paramasivam (CEO, SRC Projects P Ltd., Salem) were the panelists.

The Branch won "Best Branch Award" at National level.

### 2008-2009

A Goodwill meet was organised with the income Tax Department on 13th March 2008. Dr. P.K. Srihari, IRS, Additional CIT, Range I & II, Salem met and interacted with our members.

Second Regional Residential Seminar was held at Yercaud on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> April 2008 and was inaugurated by SIRC Chairman CA. P. Rajendrakumar.

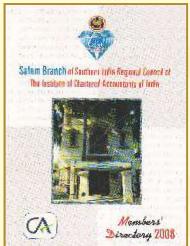
A Full day workshop on Construction Industry at Hotel Salem Castle was held on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2008. SIRC Chairman CA. P. Rajendrakumar inaugurated the programme.

Accountants Meet was held on 20th June, 2008 at Deiveegam Kalyana Mandapam.

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of ICAI was organised on 11th & 12th July, 2008. The honourable minister for Agriculture, Government of Tamilnadu, Shri. Veerapandi S.Arumugam was the Chief Guest. Worshipful Mayor of Salem Smt. Rekha Priyadarshini, Members of the Tamilnadu Legislative Assembly, Sri R. Rajendran & Sri A. Rajendran, SIRC Chairman CA. P. Rajendrakumar, SIRC Members CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran & CA. K. Shanmuga Sundaram were also present. In that function, the honourable Minister announced that the street which houses the Salem Branch Building will be named as "ICAI Street" and in Tamil as "தணிக்கையாளர் சாலை"

A Residential Seminar was held at Hotel Landmark, Yelagiri Hills, jointly with Tirupur Branch of SIRC on  $19^{th}$  &  $20^{th}$  December, 2008 with 85 delegates. Chief Guest - CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member - SIRC of ICAI.

A Full day workshop on Office Automation & MS Excel Tools at Muthayammal Engineering College, Rasipuram was held for members.



Being the Diamond Jubilee Year of SIRC of ICAI, the third Annual Conference was celebrated as Diamond Jubilee Conference & was conducted on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2009 at Hotel Cenneys Gateway with 185 delegates. Chief Guest - CA. G. Ramaswamy, Central Council Member, ICAI. An Updated Members Directory was released in full colour in the function.

For the very first time and in the history of ICAI, the road where our branch is located was named as "ICAI Street" and was inaugurated on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2009. Smt. Rekha Priyadarshini, Worshipful Mayor of Salem Corporation & Shri. A. Rajendran, MLA inaugurated the function in the presence of CA. G. Ramaswamy, Central Council Member and CA. P. Rajendra Kumar, Chairman - SIRC. It is noteworthy to mention that Salem is the only branch to get municipal property tax waiver as educational institution.





Letter from Salem Corporation naming the street as "ICAI STREET"



Letter from Salem Corporation granting exemption from Property Tax



Salem Branch won "Highly Commended Performance Shield" award for the year 2008 under Medium Size Branch category Branch at National level.

#### 2009-2010

The new committee was installed on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009, in the presence of CA. G. Ramaswamy, Central Council Member, ICAI.

Regional Residential Seminar at Hotel Shevoroys, Yercaud was held on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

CA. M. Devaraja Reddy, Chairman - SIRC inaugurated the seminar. Chief Guest - CA. M.V. Rengarajan, Past Chairman, Salem Branch of ICAI.

A first ever National Workshop on Direct Taxes organised by The Direct Taxes Committee of the ICAI and hosted by Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI was held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2009 at Hotel Cenneys Gateway, Salem. Chief Guests: CA. Ved Jain, Past Pesident, ICAI & CA. G. Ramaswamy, Central Council Member, ICAI

On 8<sup>th</sup> July 2009 a live telecast discussion on union budget on local TV channel was held. CA. N. Santhanakrishnan & CA. R. Suresh participated in the programme.

A first ever 2 days residential seminar for students was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July @ Jayam College of Engineering, Dharmapuri.

The accountants meet was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October @ Deiveegam Kalyana Mandapam.

A 3 Days residential seminar was organized @ Nallathambi Resorts, Kolhi Hills on 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

The first ever WSG Conference was held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2010. Chief Guest: Smt. Rekha Priyadarshini, Worshipful Mayor of Salem Corporation. Guest of Honour: Smt. Lalitha, I.A.S., Assistant Collector, Salem.

The Fourth Annual conference was held on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 at PG Auditorium, Sona College of Technology, Salem.

Salem won the Best Branch Award for the year 2009 under Medium Size Branch category at National level.

#### 2010-2011

Installation of the new committee was held on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2010. A Special Meeting to felicitate Padma Shri. CA. T.N. Manoharan, was also held on the same day. CA. P. Rajendra Kumar, Central Council Member was the Guest of Honour.

Fourth Yercaud RRC 30<sup>th</sup> April, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2010 at Hotel Shevaroys was inaugurated by the SIRC Chiarman.

On 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 a full day Mock Tribunal under Income Tax was conducted. CA. V. Jagadeesan, Chennai, Shri. K. Ravi, Senior Advocate, Chennai, CA. S. Ramachandran, Coimbatore and Sri. G. Baskar, Senior Advocate, Coimbatore participated.

The Accountants Meet was held 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 at Sona Collge of Technology Auditorium. Chief Guest: Sri. R. VayanaPerumal, JCCT, Salem.

Students Sub Regional Residential conference was held on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 for the first time at Paavai engineering college.

All Tamilnadu & Pondicherry Chartered Accountants Conference was held on 28th August, 2010 at Hotel Cenneys Gateway, Salem. Chief Guest: Dr. K. Arthanari, M.S., Managing Director, Sri Gokulam Hospitals Private Limited, Salem. Guests of Honour: CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, Chairman - SIRC, CA. Kamlesh Vikamsey, Past President, ICAI & Dr. R.K. Kakkar, IRS, Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem. Around 350 delegates attended the conference.

An International Study Tour to Dubai, Sharjah & Abudhabi was organised from 12<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2010.



A special meeting - Meeting with the Parliamentarian - with Shri. S. Semmalai, Member, Lok Sabha was organised on 20th November, 2010 at the Branch premises. The Honourable parliamentarian promised to bring a Private Bill (Individual Member Bill) for the welfare of the Chartered Accountants.

Later in 2013, he introduced the bill (Bill No.153 of 2013) in the Parliament. It was taken for discussion, but before becoming law, the tenure of the member expired and the bill became null. Just like the welfare fund created for Advocates, it was planned to have a welfare fund for the Chartered Accountants. If it have been passed, as proposed by the Salem branch, it would have been helpful to the whole Chartered Accountants' fraternity.



M.P. SHRI. S. SEMMALAI, SALEM CONSTITUENCY

EXTRACT SPEECH OF Honorable M.P. SHRI. S. SEMMALAI, OF SALEM CONSTITUENCY on 7.3.2013 in parliament in support of our professional members with the request of Salem branch.

Shri. S. Semmalai, (Salem); Thank you very much Mr. Chairman. Sir, for giving me this opportunity to speak on an urgent matter of public importance.

I would like to bring the attention of the union Government and in particular of the honorable Finance Minister, A long pending demand of the members of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

We are in the midst of the discussion of this year's General budget. Revenue mobilization is the main focus of Budget. Chartered Accountants play a vital role; and they assist the Government in revenue generation.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is rendering yeomen service in the nation building. Of the total annual average tax collection, nearly 95 percent is due to the sincere efforts of these Chartered Accountants. They help both the assessee and the Government in a Transparent and honest manner. They are around two lakh individual members only.

Sir, Their long pending demand is for the creation of the Chartered Accountants Welfare Corpus fund on the line as in the case of Advocate's profession. It will help in the incapacitated and deceased member's families. At present, the Institute manage benevolent fund, to which individual members make contributions. Through this, they get the financial help to some extent only.

Sir, this fund requires more financial support from the Government. So the Government, which is the biggest beneficiary of the act of the Chartered Accountants, should reciprocate by contributing to the fund. I think there is every justification in their demand for the creation of such corpus fund.

I would, therefore, humbly request the hon. Finance minister to make provisions for the creation of such corpus fund and annual contribution to the fund towards this noble cause. Thank you.

Two Days Residential Seminar at Hotel LandMark, Yelagiri was held on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2010. Shri. Gyan Chand Jain, I.R.S., Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Trichy was the Chief Guest. Dr. R.K. Kakkar, I.R.S., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and Dr. P.K. Srihari, I.R.S., Additional Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem ware the Guests of Honour.

On 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2010, a digital library facility equipped with a computer & internet facility and a printer was installed in the library hall. Subscriptions were also made for online reports of Direct & Indirect Taxes and Corporate laws. The facility was inaugurated by the SIRC Chairman, CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil in the presence of CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, SICASA Chairman.

Upon the direction of the Institute, Salem Branch organised the India Corporate Week Programme on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2010 in association with Salem Chapter of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India at Hotel Grand Estancia, Salem. Shri. C. Valliappa, Chairman, Sona College of Technology, Salem & Valliappa Group of Companies, Bengaluru was the Chief Guest.

On 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011, ICAI President CA. Amarjit Chopra, ICAI Vice President CA. G. Ramaswamy, SIRC Chairman CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, SIRC Vice Chairman, CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram made their official visit to our branch. It was a rare occasion to have all the members who are at the helm of affairs at the same time.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual conference was held on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2011 @ Sona College Auditorium.

Salem Branch was adjudged as the Best Branch at National Level for the year 2010 under Mid-Size Category.

#### 2011-2012

Installation on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2011 in the presence of CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram, Chairman - SIRC, CA. S. Mura<mark>li, Secretary - SIRC & CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member - SIRC attended the function.</mark>

On 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011, a live panel discussion on Union Budget on local TV Channel to the public was done. Addressed by Salem members, CA. N. Santhanakrishnan & CA. I. Sivakumar.

Salem Branch hosted the Fifth Regional Residential Seminar 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud. SIRC Chairman, CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram was the Chief Guest. CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, Treasurer, SIRC of ICAI and CA. P.R. Aruloli & CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Members - SIRC were the Guests of Honour.

Accountants Meet on 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2011 at Vanniyakula Chathiriyar Thirumana Mandapam.

An Awareness Programme on TDS & TCS was held on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2011 at Hotel GRT Grand Estancia, Salem in association with the Income Tax Department. Shri. S.G. Joshi, IRS., Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Trichy inaugurated the event. Shri. E. Sankaran, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax (TDS), Chennai & Shri. M. Ravindra Sai, IRS, Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem were the Chief Guests. Dr. P.K. Srihari, Additional commissioner of Income Tax (TDS), Salem chaired the Panel discussion. More than 400 delegates participated in the event.

National Seminar on Service Tax organised by ICAI and hosted by Salem Branch on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2011 at ICAI Bhawan, Salem.

Salem Branch organized a Study Tour to Andaman Islands from 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2011.

Womens' conference was held on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011. SIRC Chairman, CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram was the Chief Guest. CA. S. Murali, Secretary - SIRC was the Guest of Honour.

Exclusive website for Salem SICASA - www.salemsicasa.org was launched by SIRC Chairman, CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2011.

On 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2011, a two days Residential Seminar on "Real Estate Transactions" was held at Nallathambi Resorts, Kolli hills.

Joint Sub Regional Residential Conference "Gnana Vicharana" was held at Hotel Srinath, Tirupathi along with Coimbatore, Erode, Tirupur & Tirupathi branches of SIRC on 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2012.

Sixth Annual Conference was held on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Chief Guest - CA. G. Ramaswamy, President, ICAI. Guests of Honour - CA. K. Shanmukhasundaram, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI & CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member - SIRC.

Best Branch (Midsize Category) at National level.

#### 2012-2013

Sangamam series - VOICE OF SALEM - Joint programme with THE HINDU at Sona College Auditorium on union Budget on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2012.

A Regional Investor Awareness Programme was held Jointly with ICSI, ICWAI, SEBI, MSE under the Theme "Securities Market and the Common Man" @ GRT Estancia, Salem on 31st March 2012. Mr. R.K. Padmanabhan, Executive Director, SEBI, Mumbai, Mr. S. Venkateswaran, Director, MSE & Mr. V. Nagappan, Director, MSE Participated & Cleared the queries of the audience

RRC on 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2012 at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud. CA. K. Viswanath, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI was the Chief Guest. Guests of Honour - CA. P. Rajendra Kumar, Central Council Member - ICAI, CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Vice Chairman, SIRC of ICAI and CA. P.R. Suresh, Treasurer, SIRC of ICAI.

Goodwill Meet - Tax Awareness Programme - under the aegis of Direct Tax Committee, ICAI was held on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2012. Dr. P.K. Srihari, Additional Commissioner of Income Tax (TDS), Salem was the Chief Guest.

Sangamam series - A Joint seminar on Direct & Indirect Taxes with All India Tax Practitioners Association (South Zone), Hyderabad was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2012. Dr. P.K. Srihari, Additional Commissioner of Income Tax (TDS), Salem was the Chief Guest.

Accountants Meet - Bridge was held at Gujarathi Thirumana Mandapam, Salem on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2012. Dr. S. Soundappan, the Worshipful Mayor of Salem Corporation was the Chief Guest.

AIGIS – Seminar under the aegis of Management Accounting Committee, SIRC was held on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2012. CA. P.R. Aruloli, Regional Council Member & Chairman of Management Accounting Committee of SIRC of ICAI was the Chief Guest.

Sangamam series - Joint CPE seminar with Salem Chapter of ICSI on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2012. It was a religious tour to Pillayarpatti and nine other temples situated in that area. Chartered Accountants and Company secretaries along with their families participated in the programme.

Sangamam series - Joint 3 days Residential Seminar at Vandiperiyar, Kerala along with Coimbatore & Erode branches on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2012.

Sangamam series - Joint One day Conference along with Coimbatore, Palghat, Tirupur & Erode

branches on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2012 at Hotel Le Meridian, Coimbatore. Chief Guest - CA. G. Ramasamy, Past President, ICAI.

The Womens CA Seminar was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2012. Dr. R. Kasturibai, Dean Faculty Development, Paavai Educational Institutions was the Chief Guest. Mrs. Girija Narayanan, Reader in Economics (Retd), Sri Sarada College for Women was the Guest of Honour.

Two days Residential Seminar was held at Hotel Landmark, Yelagiri Hills on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2012. Shri. S. Sendamarai Kannan, Chief Commissioner of Income Tax - I & CCA, Chennai was the Chief Guest.

Seventh Annual Seminar was held on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2013 at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. CA. K. Viswanath, Chairman - SIRC was the Chief Guest. Sri. B. Arulappa, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and CA. G. Ramasamy, Past President, ICAI were the Guests of Honour.

#### 2013-2014

Installation on 23rd March, 2013 in the presence of Chief Guest CA. K Raghu, Vice President – ICAI and Guests of Honour, CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI, CA. P.R. Aruloli, Secretary, SIRC of ICAI and CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member – SIRC of ICAI.

Regional Residential Seminar was held at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud on 26th, 27th & 28th April, 2013. Chief Guest - CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Guests of Honour - CA. G. Sekar, Central Council Member - ICAI, CA. P.R. Suresh, Vice Chairman, SIRC of ICAI, CA. P.R. Aruloli, Seretary, SIRC of ICAI & CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Treasurer, SIRC of ICAI.

Accountants Meet was held at Deiveegam Kalyana Mandapam on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2013. Dr. S. Soundappan, the Worshipful Mayor of Salem Corporation was the Chief Guest.

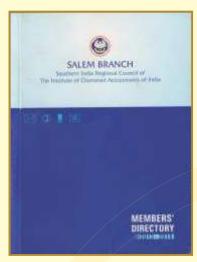
Two days seminar on enabling Service Tax practice organised by Indirect Tax Committee on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2013 was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Mr. S. Faheen Ahmed, IRS., Commissioner of Central Excise & Sevice Tax, Salem was the Chief Guest.

Sangamam series - Joint One day Conference along with Coimbatore, Palghat, Tirupur & Erode branches on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2013 hosted by Coimbatore Branch

Womens' Seminar was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013. Smt. Sujatha Jayaraj, IRS., Divisional Railway Manager, Salem was the Chief Guest.

Regional Residential Seminar at Bull & Bush Resorts, Hasanur on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2013. Chief Guest - CA. P.R. Suresh, Vice Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Guest of Honour - CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member - SIRC of ICAI.

Interactive session with Assistant Commissioner of Central Excise and Customs with respect to Voluntary Compliance Encouragement Scheme, 2013 on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2013. Chief Guest - Mrs. Sangeetha Nehru, Assistant Commissioner of Central Excise, Salem - I Division.



Eighth Annual Seminar was held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at Hotel Park Plaza, Salem. CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI was the Chief Guest. CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Member – SIRC of ICAI and Sri. B. Arulappa, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem were the Guests of Honour.

**Updated Members Directory was released.** 

Highly Commendable Performance Award at National level under small size branches category.

#### 2014-2015

The Regional Residential Seminar was held on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud. Sri. B. Arulappa, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem was the Chief Guest. For the first time, parallel sessions for accompanying spouses were arranged.

An International Study Tour to Thailand was organised by Salem Branch of ICAI from 22<sup>nd</sup> May to 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2014.

Accountants Meet was held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

3 days Regional Residential Seminar was held at Nallathambi Resorts, Kolli hills on 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2014. CA. P.R. Aruloli, Member, SIRC of ICAI was the Chief Guest.

The Women's seminar was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Smt. Sheila Parthasarathy, deputy Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem Circle was the Chief Guest. Smt. Archana Manojkumar, Secretary - Dhirajajlal Gandhi College of Technology was the Guest of Honour.

First SICASA Regional Conference was held on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2014. Sri. B. Arulappa, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem was the Chief Guest. Sri. H. Raja, National Secretary, Bharathiya Janatha Party was the Guest of Honour. CA. A.V. Arun was the then SICASA Chairman.

Ninth Annual seminar on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 at Hotel Cenneys Gateway. CA. G. Ramasamy, Past President, ICAI was the Chief Guest. Guest of Honour – CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI.

Opened ITT lab with 25 systems at branch on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2015

Opened e reading room on 24th January, 2015

Opened a reading room at Namakkal for the students of Trinity Academy Matriculation Hr. Sec. School on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2015.

Best Branch & Best Branch of SICASA at National & Regional levels.

#### 2015-2016

Installation on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2015. Chief Guest CA. P.R. Aruloli, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Special Invitee - CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Past Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Guest of Honour - CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, Secretary, SIRC of ICAI.

The Regional Residential Seminar was held at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2015. The Seminar was inaugurated by the Chief Guest CA. P.R. Aruloli, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Sri. B. Arulappa, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem was the Special Invitee. CA. E. Phalguna Kumar, Secretary, SIRC of ICAI & CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Past Chairman, SIRC of ICAI were the Guests of Honour.

On 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2015 a Special programme on Insurance Awareness was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Shri. M. Mohana Perumal, Senior Divisional Manager, LIC of India, Salem division was the Chief Guest. Schemes under Life insurance, Health Insurance and Motor Insurance were elaborately discussed by subject specialists.

1st International Yoga Day was celebrated on 21st June, 2015 at Sri Ramalinga Vallalar Hr Sec School, Suramangalam, Salem. Chief Guest: Mr. K. Sridharan, Correspondent - Sri Ramalinga Vallalar Hr Sec School, Suramangalam, Salem. Guest of Honour: CA. M. Nithin, Regional Council Member, SIRC of ICAI. Special Invitee: CA. M.S. Ranganath, Past Chairman – SIRC of ICAI. Yoga Master: Mrs. Lalitha, Salem.

Accountants Meet was held on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Deiveegam Kalyana Mandapam. Dr. S. Soundappan, the Worshipful Mayor of Salem Corporation was the Chief Guest. CA. R. Suresh, Past Chairman Salem Branch of ICAI was the Guest of Honour.

Sangamam series – Joint one day CPE seminar with Salem Chapter of ICSI on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Shri. N. Ramanathan, Registrar of Companies, Coimbatore was the Chief Guest.

Women's seminar was held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2015. Smt. A. Gnanagowri, Chief Education Officer, Salem was the Chief Guest.

2 days Regional Residential Seminar at Yelagiri jointly with Erode on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2015. Chief Guests - Shri. M. Thirumalakumar, IRS., Principal commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and Shri. K. Parashivaiah, Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem. Guest of Honour - CA. R. Suresh, Past chairman, Salem Branch of ICAI.

Tenth Annual seminar on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 at Hotel Sivaraj Holiday Inn.

Best Branch & Best Branch of SICASA at National & Regional levels.

#### 2016-2017

Installation on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016.

9<sup>th</sup> Yercaud RRC jointly with Bengaluru, Coimbatore & Pondicherry Branches-29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April & 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2016. Chief Guest - Shri. K. Parashivaiah IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem. Special invitees - CA. K. Jalapathi, Treasurer, SIRC of ICAI and CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member - SIRC of ICAI.

3 days Residential Seminar at Kodaikanal jointly with Coimbatore, Erode & Tirupur Branches on  $8^{th}$ ,  $9^{th}$  &  $10^{th}$  July, 2016. Chief Guest - CA. K. Jalapathi, Treasurer, SIRC of ICAI.

On 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, a National Convention for Students was held for the first time by Salem Branch of SIRC & Salem SICASA. Chief Guest - Prof. Dr. M. Baskaran, Vice Chancellor, Tamilnadu Open University, Chennai. Guest of Honour - Mr. K. Moahan Venkatesan, Sr.Vice President, Sundaram Group. Special invitees - CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, Chairma, BOS, ICAI and CA. Babu K. Thevar, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI.

Joint one day seminar with CS & CMA on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

Tax Clinic for Public on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2016. Chief Guest - Honourable Deputy Mayor of Salem Corporation, Shri. M. Natesan.

International Tour to Bali & Indonesia form 25<sup>th</sup> November to 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

Panchabootha Conference on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2016

Taxation and Investment regime for Pradhan Manthri Gharib Kalyan Yojana - 2016 on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 at Hotel Cenneys Gateway. Shri. Ajit Kumar Srivatsava, IRS., Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, Tamilnadu & Pondicherry was the Chief Guest. Shri. M. Thirumalakumar, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem and Shri. M. Parashivaiah, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem were the Guests of Honour.

Inauguration of Waiting Room for CAs in Income Tax office on 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.

Eleventh Annual seminar on 18th February, 2017.

#### 2017-2018

On 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 the new committee was installed in the presence of Sri. Ragavan Srinivasan, Editor - The Hindu Business Line, Chennai as Chief Guest and Sri. T.C.A.G. Nagarajan, Principal (Retd), Sri Sowdeswari College, Salem as Guest of Honour.

On 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 Women's Day was celebrated. Smt. Alli, District Judge & Presiding Officer of Labour Court, Salem was the Chief Guest.

On 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2017, Salem Branch hosted the Regional Residential Seminar at Hotel TGI Star Holiday Resort, Yercaud. Shri. K. Parashivaiah, IRS., Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals), Salem was the Chief Guest. CA. Cotha S. Srinivas, chairman, SIRC of ICAI and CA. Dungar Chand U Jain, Secreatary, SIRC of ICAI were the special invitees.

In order to create awareness about the anticipated GST Act, the Indirect Tax Committee of SIRC of ICAI proposed to hold a series of seminars for the benefit of Chartered Accountants and students. Salem Branch hosted the chain seminars from 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 to 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. The Topics covered various aspects of GST law and practice.

ICAI instructed all the branches to set up "GST SAHAYATA DESK" to answer queries of Members and Public. In line with ICAI instructions Salem Branch started the help desk at the branch premises on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2017. CA. R. Suresh, Past Chairman, Salem Branch inaugurated the help desk. The following Committee of Members was formed to assist the members and public.

- 1. CA. V. Sudharsan, FCA, Salem
- 2. CA. A.V. Arun, FCA, Salem
- 3. CA. J.B. Prasanna, FCA, Salem
- 4. CA. S. Sureshkumar, FCA, Salem

An Interactive meeting with **Shri PON RADHAKRISHNAN**, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways was organised on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 at Branch Premises.

A "Tax clinic for public - exclusively for accountants" was held on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at Jairam Arts and Science College, Salem. Chief Guest: Shri. A.B. Sakthivel, M.L.A., Salem South Constituency. Guest of Honour: Shri. J. Rajendra Prasad, Chairman, Jairam College, Salem.

On 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 6<sup>th</sup> Panchabootha Co<mark>nference was held at Coim</mark>batore. Salem Branch was one among the joint organisers.

Upon a communication received from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) wherein it was advised to organize a Pledge taking Ceremony to commemorate the "3<sup>rd</sup> Constitution Day", on November 27, 2017 a meeting was held to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar.

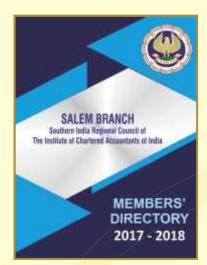
A Joint One day CPE Seminar "**IKKIAM**" was held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at ICAI Bhawan, Salem in association with the Salem Chapter of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India.

On 27<sup>th</sup> December 2017, Womens' Seminar on "Women Empowerment and Capacity Building" was held ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Chief Guest: G.Muthulakshmi, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Salem. Guest of Honour: CA. Hemavathi Ramachandran, Regional Council Member, SIRC of ICAI.

"GANAPATHY HOMAM" was performed on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018 inaugurating the renovated First Floor (Conference Hall).

Twelfth Annual Seminar was held at Hotel Windsor Castle on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. Chief Guest: CA. Cotha Srinivas, Chairman - SIRC of ICAI. Guest of Honour: CA. Dungar Chand U Jain, Secretary, SIRC of ICAI.

**Updated Members Directory was released.** 



#### 2018-2019

On 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 the new committee was installed in the presence of CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, Central Council Member, ICAI as Chief Guest CA. M.P. Vijay Kumar, Central Council Member, ICAI as Guest of Honour, CA. V.P. Nagarajan, Past Chairman, Dubai Chapter of ICAI as Special Guest and CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member, SIRC of ICAI as Special Invitee.

On 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, Women's Day was celebrated. Mr. J. Rajendra Prasad, Correspondent, Jairam Arts & Science College was the Chief Guest. CA. Sudha Vasudevan and Dr. Abirami Vadivel Kumar were the Special Guests.

The eleventh Regional Residential Seminar was held on 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 at Hotel Shevaroys, Yercaud jointly hosted by Salem & Erode Branches of ICAI. CA. G. Sekar, Central Council Member, ICAI was the Chief Guest. CA. Adusumalli Venkateswara Rao, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI was the Special guest.

Sub Regional Conference of SIRC of ICAI was held at Coimbatore branch of SIRC of ICAI on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018, which is organised by SIRC, hosted by Coimbatore branch jointly with Salem, Tirupur, Madurai and Erode branches of SIRC of ICAI.

Income tax department, Salem organised an outreach program along with Salem branch of SIRC of ICAI for the benefit of general public at A.V.R. Kalayana Mandapam, Salem on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2018. Shri. Lakshminarayanan, IRS., Additional Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem was the Chief Guest. Shri. Suresh Rao, IRS., Joint Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem was the Guest of Honour.

Indirect tax committee of SIRC of ICAI and Salem branch of SIRC of ICAI jointly organised "Advanced course on GST- Season 4" on 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

On 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018, Womens' Seminar was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Chief Guest: Smt. Lakshmi Siddharthan, TMS Hospitals, Salem.

Thirteenth Annual Seminar was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2019. Chief Guest: Smt. G. Vijaya, Judge, Family Court, Salem. Guest of Honour: CA. P.V. Rajarajeswaran, Past Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Special Guest: CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member, SIRC of ICAI.

#### 2019-2020

On 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2019 the new committee was installed in the presence of Chief Guest CA. G. Ramaswamy, Past President, ICAI, Guest of Honour CA. G. Ranganathan, Past Chairman, Salem

Branch of ICAI and Special Guest, CA. Gopal Krishna Raju, Member - SIRC of ICAI. This was the first ever all women managing committee of a branch, in the history of ICAI.

On 9<sup>th</sup> March 2019, Womens Seminar was celebrated with Smt. P. Venkada Priya, IAS., Director of Sericulture, Salem as the Chief Guest.

On 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019, an Investor Awareness Programme was held at Sona College of Technology under the aegis of Investor Education & Protection Fund. The programme was organised by the Committee on Capital Markets & Investor Protection of ICAI and hosted by Salem Branch of ICAI. Shri. M.R. Bhat, Regional Director, Southern Region - Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Chennai was the Chief Guest. Shri. C.S. Govindarajan, Joint Director, Southern Region - Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Chennai was the Guest of Honour. Shri. C. Valliappa, Chairman - Sona Group of Educational institutions, Salem was the Special Guest. This was the first ever time that a Regional Director of MCA addressed an investor awareness programme in Salem.

On 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019, the Salem Branch of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, the Salem Chapter of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and the Salem Chapter of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India jointly organised an Interaction Programme "Sangamam" @ ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Shri. M.R. Bhat, Regional Director, Southern Region - Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Chennai was the Chief Guest. Shri. C.S. Govindarajan, Joint Director, Southern Region - Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Chennai was the Guest of Honour. Shri. C. Valliappa, Chairman - Sona Group of Educational institutions, Salem was the Special Guest.

From 26<sup>th</sup> April to 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2019, the Regional Residential Seminar was held at TGI Star Holiday Resort, Yercaud. Organised by SIRC of ICAI and jointly hosted by Salem & Tiruchirappalli Branches of SIRC of ICAI. Chief Guest CA. Rajendra Kumar. P, Central Council Member - ICAI. Guest of honour CA. Jomon K George, Chairman - SIRC of ICAI. Special Guest CA. Jalapathi. K, Secretary - SIRC of ICAI.

On 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019 a Tax Clinic - GST Seminar for Accountants was held at Salem Tamil Sangam Auditorium. Around 300 delegates attended the programme.

On 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019 a GST Outreach Programme was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Chief Guest - Smt. A.S. Meenalochani, I.R.S. Additional Commissioner of GST & Central Excise.

On 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019, International Day of yoga was celebrated. Ms. Sreeja, Sreeyogakshetra, Salem talked on the importance of Yoga and demonstrated few Yoga Asanas. She offered to train yoga to the CA members and weekly yoga classes were organised therefrom to all members and their families free of cost.

On 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019 a Tax Clinic - Income Tax Seminar for Accountants was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem. Around 150 delegates attended the programme.

On 17<sup>th</sup> August 2019, Salem Branch hosted the Sub Regional Conference for the first ever time at

Hotel Cenneys Gateway, Salem. The President of ICAI, CA. Prafulla Chhajed was the Chief Guest. CA. Jomon K George, SIRC Chairman was the Guest of Honour.

Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI along with the Office of the Commissioner of GST & Central Excise & Salem City Chamber of Commerce conducted an "Out Reach Programme with Trade" on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019 at ICAI Bhawan. Chief Guest - Smt. A.S. Meenalochani, I.R.S. Additional Commissioner of GST & Central Excise.

On 25<sup>th</sup> January 2020, Fourteenth Annual Seminar was held at ICAI Bhawan in the presence of Chief Guest Sri. R.S. Ramasamy, Metropole Homes, Secretary, Tamil Nadu Cricket Association and Guest of Honour CA. K. Jalapathi, Secretary, SIRC of ICAI.

#### 2020-2021

On 29<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 new committee installation was held at ICAI Bhawan in the presence of CA. R. Bupathy, Past President, ICAI, CA. M.P. Vijayakumar, Central Council Member, CA. K. Jalapathi, Vice Chairman, SIRC of ICAI.

On 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020, an Outreach Programme was held at ICAI Bhawan, Salem in the presence of Chief Guest Shri. Narender Gour, IRS, Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Trichy and Guest of Honour Shri. G.R. Reddy, IRS, Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem.

On 7<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Women's Seminar was held on ICAI Bhawan in the presence of Chief Guest Dr. Sarala Gopalan, IAS (Retd.), Coimbatore, Former Secretary to Govt of India, Ministry of HRD, Department of Women & Child Development, Guest of Honour CA. Shweta Pathak, Vice Chairperson - NIRC (2019-20), Member-NIRC (2020-21).

On 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020 7<sup>th</sup> Panchabootha Conference was held in virtual mode. Chief Guest CA. Amarjit Chopra, Past President, ICAI, Guest of Honour CA. G. Ramasamy, Past President, ICAI.

On 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020, Golden Jubilee celebrations was held in Virtual Mode

Day 1 - Chief Guest CA. Atul Kumar Gupta, Honourable President of ICAI, Guest of Honour CA. Nihar Niranjan Jambusaria, Honourable Vice President of ICAI.

Day 2 - Felicitations by CA. G. Sekar, Central Council Member, ICAI and CA. D. Prasanna Kumar, Central Council Member, ICAI

Day 3 – Felicitations by CA. Babu Abraham Kallivayalil, Central Council Member, ICAI and CA. Dayaniwas Sharma, Central Council Member, ICAI

On 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020 Gandhi Jayanti "150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi" was celebrated in "Nesakarangal" by providing kits to School children by Managing Committee Members.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020 Joint Virtual CPE Meeting with GST & Indirect Tax Committee was held at Virtual Mode (Zoom) by - CA. Shaikh Abdul Samad Ahmad.

Salem Branch of SIRC & Salem Branch of SICASA getting Best Branch Award 1<sup>st</sup> prize in 2020.

#### 2021-2022

On 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021, the new committee was installed in the presence of CA. Dungar Chand U Jain, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI. Guest of Honour - Dr. S. Sathya, B.V.Sc., MBA, AGM (Planning), AAVIN, Chennai.

On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2021 Womens Seminar was held at ICAI Bhawan. Chief Guest - CA. A.B. Geetha, Regional Council Member, SIRC of ICAI.

On 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 Virtual CPE Programme on International MSME Day Celebrations. Chief Guest - Sri. K. Susil kumar, Regional Appraisal Head, TIIC, Trichy. Guest of Honour - Sri B.N.S. Prakash Rao, Senior VP, Plant Head (Salem Works), JSW Steels Ltd., Special address by - Er. K. Mariappan, Vice President TANSTIA, President SADISSTIA, Dr. C. Ramanigopal, President, Salem Productivity Council & Sri. Karthi Kandappan, Treasurer, Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Salem

On 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 Virtual CA Day Celebration Programmes:

- Virtual Annual General Body Meeting
- Flag Hosting (Managing Committee Members Only)
- Plantation of Sapling, Charities,
- Feliciation of Golden and Silver Jubilarians
- Eve -5pm "Nala<mark>m T</mark>harum Nag<mark>aichuvai" Vitual Mode by</mark> Pulavar. M.Ramalingam

On 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 Webinar on Breaking Barriers rise of Women CAs in Corporate World was held on Virtual mode Hosted by Jabalpur, Jalandhar, Salem and Solapur Branches of ICAI. Chief Guest - Smt. Smriti Zubil Irani Hon'ble Union Minister for Women & Child Development. CA. Nihar N. Jambusaria, Hon'ble President, ICAI and CA. Dr. Debashis Mitra, Hon'ble Vice President, ICAI.

On 14th to 18th August 2021 Golden Jubilee Celebration

- On 14<sup>th</sup> August 2021 Goodwill Cup Cricket tournament was held between Salem branch of SIRC of ICAI and Income Tax Department at Ramalinga vallalar Higher Secondary School, Old Suramangalam, Salem in the presence of Chief Guest Mr. B. Lakshminarayanan, IRS., Additional Commissioner of Income Tax, Salem & Erode and Guest of Honour CA. A. V. Arun, Past Chairman, Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI
- On 15<sup>th</sup> August Independence day celebration and Flag hosting, Unveiling the portrait of Late CA. K. Sivaramakrishnan, SIRC Chairman (1970-1971) from Salem by CA. G. Ranganathan, Past Chairman of Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI at ICAI Bhawan.
- On 16<sup>th</sup> August Virtual CPE Seminar held on Zoom by CA. V. Sudharsan, Salem, CA. B. Ganesh Prabhu, Chennai & CA. V. Shankara Narayanan, Chennai.

- On 17<sup>th</sup> August Virtual CPE Seminar held on Zoom by CA. N. Santhanakrishnan, Salem and CA. Dr. Gopal Krishna Raju, Salem.
- On 18<sup>th</sup> August Golden Jubilee Day Celebrations, Special Address by CA. Dr. Debashis Mitra, Honourable Vice President, ICAI, Keynote Address by CA. Nihar N. Jambusaria, Honourable President, ICAI

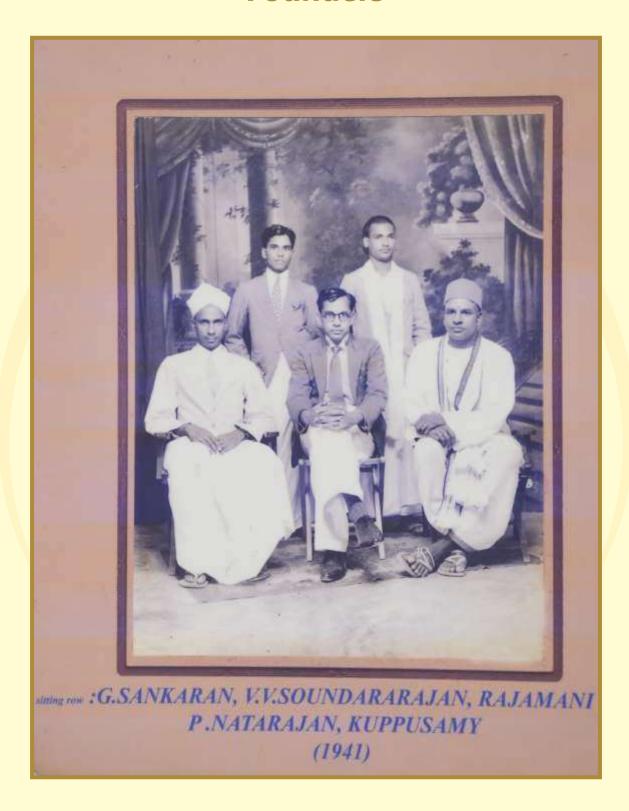
Releasing of Golden Jubilee Commemorative Stamp of Salem Branch of SIRC of ICAI.

Felicitation by CA. K. Jalapathi, Chairman, SIRC of ICAI,

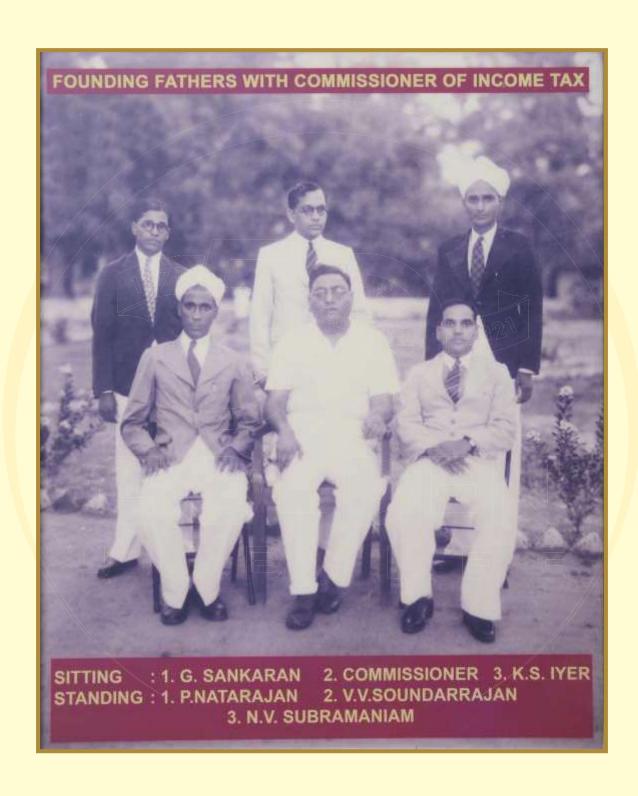
Special Felicitation on Golden Jubilee by Dr. V. Anantha Nageswaran, Member (Part time), Economic Advisory council to the Prime Minister of India.



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# CA. K. SIVARAMAKRISHNAN

SIRC Chairman (1970-1971) from Salem

- ✓ CA. K. Sivaramakrishnan was a fellow member of ICAL
- ✓ He was a partner in M/s. G. Sankaran & Co., Chartered Accountants, Salem
- ✓ He was a member of SIRC for two consecutive terms between 1967–1970 and 1970–1973
- ✓ He held the following positions in SIRC
   Treasurer (1967–1968), Secretary (1968–1969)
   Vice Chairman (1969–1970), Chairman (1970–1971)
- ✓ When he was Chairman of SIRC, the Salem Branch was formed
  (Date of formation 18<sup>th</sup> August 1971)