



25th ALL INDIA DEBATE COMPETITION-2026

RULES

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ Participation is restricted to the bonafide – registered students of the ICSI, including students who have passed the Professional Programme examinations, but are yet to enrol for CLDP.
- ✓ Students will be required to carry their Identity Cards of ICSI with them at the competition.
- ✓ Practicing Advocates, Chartered Accountants, Cost Accountants are not eligible to participate.

Pattern of the Competition:

The Debate Competition will be organised at three levels:

- ✓ Chapter Level Round
- ✓ Regional Level Round
- ✓ National Level Round

Registration Procedure & Selection:

- ✓ Students who are interested to take part in the competition may contact the officials of the relevant chapter for the preliminary round and submit the form to the concerned officials.
- ✓ The Winner (one student) and the runner up (one student) of the preliminary round at Chapter level would qualify to represent the respective chapter at the Regional Level Round to be held at their respective Regional Council Office.
- ✓ First, Second and Third Prize Winners of the Regional Round held at each Regional Council will participate in the National Round of the competition.
- ✓ First, Second and Third Prize Holders out of all the 12 participants in the national round shall be the national winners who shall be given the Cash Awards and Commendation Certificates.
- ✓ The Dress Code will be formal.
- ✓ Students have the option to speak either “for the motion” or “against the motion”.



Marking Criteria:

Marks may be awarded as per the following criteria out of the marks allocated against each category.

Sr. No	Marking Criteria	Marks
1	Contents/ substance	25
2	Oratory skills	25
3	Presentation skills	20
4	Clarity of thought	20
5	Confidence	10

The average of the marks awarded by all judges should be calculated. The average marks thus calculated shall be the final score for a particular Candidate on the basis of which who so ever has scored the highest will be declared winner, second & third highest scorers will be declared as first and second runner-up of the event.

Fee:

There will be no participation fee for the competition.

Time Limit

Each participant will be given a time limit not exceeding 10 minutes to speak on the subject.

A warning bell will be given after 8 minutes and a final bell after 10 minutes. If the participants exceed the allocated time than the marks will be deducted at the discretion of the judges. Cash Awards / Certificates:

Cash Awards:

To attract larger participation, it was decided to introduce cash awards as per the following details:

Chapter Level	Commendation Certificate	Commendation Certificate	Commendation Certificate
Regional Level	Cash Award of Rs.10,000/- + Commendation Certificate	Cash Award of Rs.6,000/- + Commendation Certificate	Cash Award of Rs.4,000/- + Commendation Certificate
National Level	Cash Award of Rs.20,000/- + Commendation Certificate	Cash Award of Rs.12,000/- + Commendation Certificate	Cash Award of Rs.8,000/- + Commendation Certificate



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Reimbursement of Travelling Expenses:

Travelling expenses of team of students for participating at various levels of Competitions will be borne by the respective Regional Councils / Chapters as per provisions given below:

- a. When Chapter's team is visiting their respective Regional Council to participate in the Regional Round, their travelling expenses will be borne by the concerned Chapter (i.e. to & fro bus fare or train fare of 3rd AC from the place of residence of student to the destination of Regional Round).
- b. Similarly, when winners of Regional Round are going to participate in the National Round then travelling expenses of students will be borne by the concerned Regional Council. (i.e. to & fro bus fare or train fare of 3rd AC from the place of residence of student to the destination of National Round).

Miscellaneous

1. The decision of the judges as regards the result of the competition will be the final and binding;
2. All participants are expected to maintain decorum in the hall where the event will be held;
3. The organizers reserve the right to take appropriate action for any unethical, unprofessional and immoral conduct;
4. The organizer's decision regarding interpretation of rules or any other matter related to competition will be final;
5. If there is any situation not contemplated in the rules, the decision of the Institute shall be final.



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Declaration Form (Chapter Level, Preliminary Round)

Passport Size
Photograph of
participant

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please register me for the **25th All India Debate Competition-2026** of ICSI.

The details of mine are as below:

Sr. No.	Name (IN Block Letter)	Registration Number	Stage of Course	Address	Mobile No. and E- mail ID

I have gone through the eligible criteria mentioned below and submitting the registration after satisfying the conditions that:

- I am a bonafide registered student of the ICSI
- Not Practicing as an Advocates/ Chartered Accountants / Cost Accountants
- Yet to complete CLDP

I agree to abide by the Rules of the 25th All India Debate Competition- 2026 and the decision of ICSI.

Yours Faithfully,

Signature

Date:

Place: