



From the Desk of Chairperson

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“Knowledge gives humility; from humility comes worthiness; from worthiness, wealth; from wealth, righteousness; and from righteousness, happiness.”

Dear Professional Colleagues and Students,

At the outset, I extend my warm greetings to all members and students on the joyous occasion of Holi. May this vibrant festival usher in renewed energy, harmony, and prosperity for you and your families.

February 2026 has been a month marked by consolidation, capacity building, and strategic strengthening of our institutional framework.

We commenced the month with the Seminar on Union Budget 2026, which witnessed an encouraging participation of around four hundred members. The deliberations provided comprehensive insights into fiscal policy measures, tax rationalisation proposals, and their consequential implications on corporate governance frameworks and compliance architecture.

This was followed by the two-day Gyan Vriddhi Programme on “Corporate Actions: Technicalities, Practical Aspects & Tax Implications”, which offered members a structured platform to deliberate upon regulatory intersections, procedural discipline, documentation standards, and the practical complexities inherent in corporate transactions.

On the student development front, multiple batches of CLDP (Phase I), Executive Development Programmes, Three Days Orientation Programmes, and Student Induction Programmes were conducted successfully. The scale and consistency of participation reflect the growing seriousness among students to build professional competence through structured training pathways. Our approach continues to emphasise conceptual clarity, application-oriented learning, and ethical governance standards.

A key highlight of the month was the Academic Connect initiative. A focused programme on the Companies Act, 2013 was organised at Kurukshetra University, fostering meaningful dialogue between academia and the profession. The session addressed corporate regulatory frameworks, board governance responsibilities, compliance systems, and emerging professional opportunities. Such engagements strengthen institutional collaboration and create early awareness about the pivotal role of Company Secretaries in Corporate Governance.

Career Awareness Programmes were also conducted across reputed schools and colleges in Delhi and Kurukshetra, further expanding outreach and sensitising young minds towards governance-oriented career pathways.

Institutionally, February also marked important structural initiatives. **The Editorial Board of the Newsletter has been constituted to ensure enhanced content quality, professional depth, and structured editorial oversight.** This step reflects our commitment to making the Newsletter a robust knowledge resource for members and students.

Further, to streamline and strengthen operational efficiency and outreach, initiatives have been undertaken towards:

- Formation of a Judgement Squads across the Northern Region To analyse key judicial pronouncements relevant to Corporate and Securities Laws.
- Constitution of a Student Outreach Squads across the Northern Region- To intensify engagement with educational institutions and aspiring students.
- Invitation of nominations for empanelment of faculty members for CLDP and Executive Development Programmes to ensure quality delivery and domain expertise.
- Calling for nominations for various Functional Committees of NIRC, encouraging broader member participation in institutional governance. Preference shall be given to members associated with CSBF, and efforts will be made to ensure that at least one-third of the committee members are women, reflecting the commitment towards gender equality and alignment with Sustainable Development Goal 5.

These initiatives are aligned with our objective of participative leadership, knowledge dissemination, and structured institutional development.

I place on record my sincere appreciation for the dedicated efforts of the Managing Committee Members, faculty and the Secretariat team whose coordinated contributions have ensured the successful execution of these programmes and initiatives.

As we conclude a productive February, I encourage all members and students to sustain this momentum by actively engaging in NIRC's forthcoming programmes and institutional initiatives. Your continued participation and collaboration are vital to strengthening our professional community. Let us remain steadfast in upholding the highest standards of professionalism, Governance excellence, and ethical leadership, and collectively contribute to the progressive growth of the profession and the nation.

With warm regards,

**CS Santosh Pandey**

**Chairperson,**

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