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Dear Professional Colleagues,

Goods and Services Tax (GST) is a reality today. The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) compliments Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in making the dream of One Nation, One Tax, One Market come true. The Goods and Services Tax is India's biggest tax-reform till date and shall redefine indirect taxation in india. GST will be a boon for business and industry as it is going to pave a new way of tax regime in the country by providing easy compliance, uniformity of tax rates and structures.

I am glad to inform you that ICSI has launched a **ICSI GST App** for public at large today which will enable users to get latest news, articles, regulations and various publications on GST by ICSI. An event list tab will keep you updated about the events on GST organised by ICSI across India. Discussion Forum, a feature in the App will be updated soon where you will be able to discuss your queries relating to GST with experts of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India. The App is presently available on android platform and can be downloaded from Play Store. Within few days it will also be available on IOS platform.

With a view to equip Company Secretaries with the skills and develop competency in the area of GST, ICSI in association with NIFM, Faridabad, an autonomous Institution of Ministry of Finance, Government of India has launched an **Online Certificate Course on GST** for its members. The course gives a comprehensive insight into the principles of GST as well as other nuances of the new indirect tax regime. The registration for this course on GST can be done at www.icsi.edu.

The ICSI has always supported Government of India in all its growth initiatives. The entire fraternity of Company Secretaries stands united and prepared to extend their contribution towards ensuring the successful transition and implementation of Goods and Services Tax Act.

With kind regards

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