



THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA
EASTERN INDIA REGIONAL COUNCIL
7, ANANDILAL PODDAR SARANI (Russell Street),
KOLKATA – 700 071

ANNOUNCEMENT
Talent Search Branch Level Debate

The Talent Search - Branch Level Debate for the C.A. Students will be held on Thursday, the **10th August 2023** from **10:00am** at the Institute's Premises (R. Singhi Hall), 7, Anandilal Poddar Sarani (Russell Street), Kolkata – 700071.

Topics at Branch Level:

1. "The Ethics of Tax Planning: Striking a Balance between Avoidance and Evasion."
2. "Big Data Analytics: A Game-Changer for Auditing and Financial Analysis?"
3. "The Rise of Decentralized Finance (DeFi): Will Traditional Banking Become Obsolete?"
4. Are CCTV cameras in public places effective or just an invasion of privacy?
5. Existence of the Audit Expectation Gap and Its Impact on Stakeholders
6. "The Role of Auditors in Promoting Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)."

Eligibility Criteria:

- **Students who are registered for Final and undergoing articleship and students pursuing Intermediate Course are eligible to participate in the Competition.**
- **Students who have completed articleship are not eligible to participate.**
- **Students registered for Foundation Course are not eligible to participate.**

Students willing to participate may apply in writing /E-mail from their registered E-Mail ID to eicasaevents@icai.in with cc to amit.paul@icai.in. & erobos@icai.in

1. Debate will be '**For**/'**Against**' motion related to topic chosen from amongst the topics given by SSEB (Board of Studies- Operations).
2. The medium of Debate Competition would be held in English language only.
3. Competition would not be held for a particular topic if an even number of students did not register **For** & **Against** a particular topic.
4. Total Time allotment to each pair shall be **10 minutes**-
 - a. 3 Minutes + 3 minutes (Presentation For & Against on each topic)
 - b. 2 Minutes + 2 Minutes (Rebuttal Round/Counter-argument) by pair of each topic.
5. During Rebuttal Round, the judges' decision to allow/disallow the speaker to speak will be final.
6. One Participant from **For** and one participant from **Against** side will be chosen as winners from Final Round.
7. The Top Two Winners (**One 'For'** and **One 'Against' the motion**) at Branch Level will be contesting at Regional Level.

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1.	Lucidity of language	10 Marks
2.	Style of delivery	10 Marks
3.	Capacity to engage the attention of the audience	10 Marks
4.	Precision of expression	10 Marks
5.	Depth of coverage of the subject matter including reference to latest developments in the concerned area	30 Marks
6.	Application of Presence of Mind during Rebuttal/Judges Question round	20 Marks
7.	Adherence to time limit	10 Marks

Total

100 Marks

**PROFORMA APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION
IN Talent Search (BRANCH Level)
(Debate CONTEST)
AT EIRC AUDITORIUM, KOLKATA
On 10th August , 2023 , Thursday (10am)**

1. Name of the student :
2. Registration No. :
3. Gender : Male / Female (Put Tick Mark)
4. Course of Study : IPCC / Final (Put Tick Mark)
5. Address :
6. Articleship Completion Date:
7. Mobile No.
8. Mail Id :
9. Topic List
 10. "The Ethics of Tax Planning: Striking a Balance between Avoidance and Evasion."
 11. "Big Data Analytics: A Game-Changer for Auditing and Financial Analysis?"
 12. "The Rise of Decentralized Finance (DeFi): Will Traditional Banking Become Obsolete?"
 13. Are CCTV cameras in public places effective or just an invasion of privacy?
 14. Existence of the Audit Expectation Gap and Its Impact on Stakeholders
 15. "The Role of Auditors in Promoting Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)."

(Signature of the student)

Eligibility

Students registered for Intermediate Course

Or

Students registered for Final Course and are undergoing articleship training

Students who have completed their Articleship are not eligible to participate.