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To

The Vice-Chancellor/Principal/Director

Subject : Dissemination of publicity material for the CAG-ICSSR Research Article Competition – reg.

Sir/Madam

The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), in collaboration with the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), is organizing the CAG-ICSSR Research Article Competition as a nationwide research initiative for young scholars at both the State/UT Level and the National Level. Registration for the Competition has commenced from 01 June 2026.

Eligible participants under the Undergraduate/Postgraduate (UG/PG) and Doctoral categories may participate in the Competition at both the State/UT Level (based on State Audit Reports) and the National Level (based on Union Audit Reports). The last date for submission of Research Articles is **31 August 2026** for the State/UT Level Competition and **30 September 2026** for the National Level Competition.

The Competition invites research articles under the following themes:

- Fiscal Federalism and Governance
- Social Sector Spending
- Skilling, Employment and MSMEs
- Empowering Urban & Rural Local Bodies

The Competition is being conducted in two categories:

- Undergraduate/Postgraduate (UG/PG) Students
- Doctoral Scholars

Outstanding Research Articles will be recognized with attractive cash awards at both the State/UT and National Levels as under:

Prize	State/UT Level	National Level
First Prize	₹ 75,000	₹ 1,25,000
Second Prize	₹ 50,000	₹ 1,00,000
Third Prize	₹ 25,000	₹ 75,000

The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India has requested all field offices to undertake coordinated outreach activities for wider dissemination of the Competition by sharing the enclosed publicity material with Universities, Colleges, Research Institutions and other academic institutions. Institutions have also been requested to display the publicity material on their Notice Boards and disseminate it through their official communication channels and social media platforms for wider visibility among students and research scholars.

Accordingly, the enclosed publicity poster is forwarded for your kind consideration.

You are requested to kindly:

1. Display the enclosed publicity poster prominently on the Notice Board(s) of your institution.
2. Circulate the publicity material among faculty members, students and research scholars through your official e-mail groups and other communication channels.
3. Disseminate the publicity material through your institution's official website and social media platforms, wherever feasible.
4. Encourage eligible Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctoral students/research scholars to participate in the Competition.

The publicity videos may also be accessed through the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kGfpnG5MRVvSrH-DMGrbBA62h9fuQZGo>

Your esteemed institution's support in giving wide publicity to this prestigious national academic initiative will significantly contribute towards encouraging quality research and wider participation from the academic community.

Your kind cooperation in this regard shall be highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

Digitally signed by
Meenu Sharma

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