

Mr. T. N. Manoharan

President

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Mr. T.N. Manoharan, FCA, Chennai, has been elected as the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), the Apex Body of the profession of Chartered Accountants in India, for a period of one year commencing from 5th February, 2006. He hails from a freedom fighter's family with agriculture background. He is a post graduate in commerce from Sri Venkateswara University and a law graduate from Madras University.

A member of the ICAI with 23 years of standing, Mr. Manoharan was elected to the Council of ICAI for the first time in 2001 and thereafter in 2004. He has served in all standing committees and various non-standing committees of the ICAI. During his association with the ICAI, he pioneered the bringing out of Peer Review Manual. He took initiative to bring out the Guidance Notes on Certification for Transfer Pricing and for Minimum Alternate Tax. He was instrumental in bringing out the revised edition of 'Issues on Tax Audit'.

Mr. Manoharan was the convenor of Working group constituted at the instance of Government of India for formulating recommendations for amendment in the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949.

Mr. Manoharan represented the ICAI at the meetings of the International Innovative Network (INN), UK; Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), USA and International Standards of Accounting and Reporting (ISAR) of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Geneva.

Mr. Manoharan is presently chairman of ICAI Accounting Research Foundation. He is Chairman of the Centre of Excellence on Education, training and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) of the South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA - an Apex Body of SAARC). Mr. Manoharan is a member of the International Accounting Education Standards Board of International Federation of Accountants (IFAC).

Mr. Manoharan was a visiting faculty at renowned professional Institutions and Business Schools. Besides being Chairman at technical sessions, Paper Writer and Key Note speaker at various conferences/seminars/workshops organised by professional bodies in India and abroad, he is also a prolific writer. He has authored many books on Direct Taxation. He has contributed articles in leading newspapers and journals.