



**CA. Atul Kumar Gupta, Vice President, ICAI  
2019-20**

A man of refined thought-process, quick understanding and sharp vision, CA. Atul Kumar Gupta got elected Vice-President of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for the term 2019-20 on 12th February 2019. Having served the profession for about two decades, he had joined the Central Council in 2013. Then in 2019, he got elected Vice-President of the Institute for the term 2019-2020.

Respected for his strong organizational skills and deep insight in the affairs of profession, CA. Atul Kumar Gupta has contributed to the cause of profession from various professional perspectives in the past in the last two Council terms, i.e. 2013-16 and 2016-19. With his constant dedication and service to the profession, he will take the profession to greater heights, coming up to the expectations of stakeholders.

Being a Commerce and a Law graduate by education, CA. Gupta has developed a unique perspective to look into the matter. He has led the cause of profession through various committees of the Institute, serving as Chairman of Digital Accounting and Assurance Board, Board of Studies, IT Committee and Indirect Taxes Committee, among others.

CA. Atul Kumar Gupta is known and appreciated widely for his key contribution to the ICAI as facilitator of the Goods and Service Tax regime, particularly in its formative years. Under his leadership, the New Scheme of Education and Training that was benchmarked with the revised International Education Standards, was launched in 2017, with thorough revision of the content of the study materials of IPC and Final level courses. He has also been the Chairman of SAFA CPD Committee and Director of XBRL India and ICAI-Accounting Research Foundation (ARF) in the past. Through ICAI-ARF, he is credited for the promotion of the agenda of research in profession. After anchoring the ICAI-ARF team in the project of preparation of accrual-based financial statements of the North-Western Zonal Railways for the year 2014-15, CA. Gupta has mentored the team in the project of preparation of accrual-based financial statements of the Indian Railways for the years 2015-16 and 2016-17. Under his Chair in the year 2010-11, the Northern India Regional Council of the Institute got the *Best Regional Council* award.

As Vice-President of the Institute, CA. Gupta is now the Vice-Chairman of all Standing Committees including Executive, Finance and Examination Committees, besides being the ex-officio member of all Non-Standing Committees of the Institute and Joint Editor of the Institute's Journal, *The Chartered Accountant*.

With a vision to patiently and clearly responding to the issue of image and identity of accountancy profession in the country and abroad, CA. Atul Kumar Gupta has a very keen eye and understanding of the matter. With his deep insight for the affairs of profession, he has always kept the profession on priority. Representing the profession on national as well as international fronts, he has addressed numerous technical meetings and seminars/ conferences, and represented the Institute and its professional initiative in the past, including those at Association of Corporate

Treasurer, Chartered Institute of Taxation and Financial Reporting Council and ICAEW in London, American Accounting Association, Chartered Institute of Public Finance Accountancy, Manchester.

A man of grass-root understanding of the matters and respected for his down-to-earth approach to the issues at hand among his professional colleagues, CA Atul Kumar Gupta has a surpassing ability to deal with a variety of difficult situations. Having an exceptional ability to bring out a range of alternative solutions on the table in any given situation, he has to his credit successful closures of many a taskforce and time-bound non-standing groups and teams. With straightforward approach to profession, he has always been concerned about the expectations of his professional colleagues and their aspirations. Profusely interested in the brand Indian CA and ICAI in India and abroad, he has always loved to act as a bridge between the stakeholders and the Institute.

Being thoroughly conversant with the professional concerns and demands of his times, CA Gupta has authored many relevant books, including *GST Concept and Road Map* (with a foreword by Union Finance Minister), *Comprehensive Guide to Service Tax (14e)*, *Guide to CENVAT Credit Rules, 2004* and student's edition of *Guide to Service Tax*. He has also been a part of a recently-constituted Roundtable Meeting for *Empowering Youth from Education to Employment* that was chaired by Union HRD Minister.

An academic by temperament, CA Gupta has published numerous articles in leading newspapers, magazines and professional newsletters, and delivered lectures in about 1500 seminars and conferences.

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