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Monthly News Briefing from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB)

53rd Annual Meeting of ICAB

The 53rd Annual Meeting of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) was held on 1 November 2025 in hybrid mode at the ICAB Auditorium, Dhaka, chaired by NKA Mobin FCA, President, ICAB.

A total of 321 members (123 in person and 198 online) attended, exceeding the quorum requirement. The CEO, ICAB welcomed the members, followed by prayers offered for 12 deceased members and for the wellbeing of members and the Institute.

The President formally called the meeting to order in compliance with the ICAB Bye-laws, 1973, and presented an overview of key developments. He highlighted successful pre-electoral reforms, record voter participation in Council elections, and initiatives to protect professional interests in the Finance Bill.

Key post-election initiatives included dissemination of five President's Communications, holding three Town Hall Meetings, engagement with regulators on bank audit regulations, participation in the FRC–World Bank A&A Summit, restructuring of Vice President portfolios and committees, strengthening of quality assurance (FRMPR/QAD), progress on single enlistment with the FRC, and formation of committees on DVS and management empowerment.

The President confirmed alignment of the Council and President's terms with the financial year and the Annual Report corresponding the same period.

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Editorial Note from
Chairman – Editorial Board

Dear Readers,

ICAB's monthly news bulletin showcases the extensive range of activities undertaken throughout the month. These initiatives are driven by the dedicated efforts of various committees, task forces, and sub-committees working diligently behind the scenes. Alongside them, the Institute's management team has been proactively identifying areas for improvement and addressing gaps through targeted training programs. They maintain close liaison, cooperation, and coordination with media, key regulators, and government bodies such as the Financial Reporting Council, Bangladesh Bank, National Board of Revenue, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission, and the Ministry of Finance.

Whenever necessary, ICAB collaborates with different organizations and regulators to support the establishment and implementation of a rational, high-quality regulatory environment that promotes the sustainable development of the profession, business, and the nation at large. In line with this objective, the Institute organized several workshops and training programs during the month for members and stakeholders, aimed at ensuring adherence to professional and regulatory best practices and standards in accounting and auditing. These activities included awareness-building programs, meetings with government and regulatory bodies, training initiatives, and human resource development efforts. A virtual webinar on professional issues was also organized to enhance members' understanding of recent developments.

Further details of these and many other initiatives are presented in this issue of the bulletin. Dear readers, this bulletin serves as a platform to showcase the Institute's continuous efforts toward the development of our profession. We encourage you to stay connected with the newsletter and share your valuable feedback to help make this publication even more informative and engaging.

Ala Uddin FCA

ICAB Webinar Highlights Key Changes Under IFRS 18

The International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) 18, the new global standard for the presentation and disclosure of financial statements, will become effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027, with early adoption permitted. Under the new standard, entities will be required to restate comparative information retrospectively and explain how previously reported figures have been reformatted under the revised structure.

The standard is designed to enhance the clarity, comparability, and usefulness of General Purpose Financial Statements, ensuring that financial information more faithfully represents an entity's assets, liabilities, equity, income, and expenses. While IFRS 18 primarily applies to profit-oriented entities, public-sector and non-profit organizations may adapt the terminology to suit their reporting needs. The standard may also affect the presentation of members' or unit-holders' interests for mutual funds and cooperatives, though management's financial review remains outside its scope.

These technical aspects of IFRS 18 were discussed at a webinar titled "IFRS 18: Presentation and Disclosure – Transition from IAS 1," organized by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) on 6 November 2025. The session was chaired by Md. Rokonuzzaman FCA, Vice President of ICAB and Partner at ACNABIN, Chartered Accountants.

ICAB President NKA Mobin FCA delivered the welcome address. Distinguished panelists included Sk. Ashik Iqbal FCA, Partner at Nurul Faruk Hasan & Co., Chartered Accountants, and Shah Md. Mohin Uddin FCA, Senior Partner at Hasan Mohin, Chartered Accountants. Kamrul Hasan Siddiqui FCA, Chief Financial Officer of KDS Garments Division, presented the keynote paper, while Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA, Chief Operating Officer (COO), moderated the question-and-answer session.

In his address, ICAB President NKA Mobin FCA said, IFRS 18 clearly defines three key categories in the statement of profit or loss—operating, investing, and financing—thereby enhancing the clarity of an entity's financial performance. The standard introduces standardized subtotals such as "operating profit" and "profit before financing and income taxes," ensuring greater uniformity in presentation across entities. He added that IFRS 18 strengthens aggregation and disaggregation requirements, calling for more meaningful breakdowns of income and expenses both in the primary financial statements and in the notes.

He further noted that the standard introduces improved disclosures on Management-Defined Performance

Measures (MPMs), enhancing transparency around alternative performance indicators used by management. Overall, IFRS 18 represents a significant advancement from IAS 1, aiming to make financial statements more comparable and decision-useful for investors, regulators, and other stakeholders, he stated.

The adoption of IFRS 18, he emphasized, will require careful alignment among preparers, auditors, and regulators and is directly relevant to professional practice and the quality of financial reporting in Bangladesh. ICAB President reaffirmed ICAB's commitment to supporting its members through targeted training programs, implementation guidance, and technical discussions. A dedicated sub-committee of ICAB's Technical and Research Committee is currently working on IFRS 18, and the Institute will continue to collaborate with national regulators, audit firms, and accounting educators to ensure smooth and consistent application of the standard, further added.

The keynote presenter, Kamrul Hasan Siddiqui FCA, noted that IFRS 18 retains several features of IAS 1, including primary financial statement formats, comparative information requirements, and current versus non-current classification. However, he highlighted major changes introduced by the new standard, particularly the revised structure of the income statement, which requires income and expenses to be grouped into operating, investing, and financing categories.

He explained that investments accounted for under the equity method can no longer be included in the operating category, although eligible entities may opt to switch to fair value measurement upon first-time adoption. Foreign exchange gains and losses must be classified in the same category as the related underlying item; where this is impractical or costly, they may be presented as a separate line item within the operating category.

A key reform under IFRS 18 is the mandatory presentation of operating expense analysis on the face of the income statement, using either a function-based, nature-based, or mixed approach. Where a function-based or mixed presentation is adopted, a nature-wise breakdown must be disclosed in the notes. The standard also formalizes the use of Management-Defined Performance Measures, requiring consistency, reconciliation, and enhanced disclosures.

Participants were advised to begin preparations early by revising reporting structures, training finance teams, updating ERP systems, and engaging proactively with auditors, investors, and regulators. IFRS 18 is expected to bring significant changes to the presentation of profit or loss and to substantially enhance transparency in corporate reporting.

The program concluded with closing remarks by Md. Moniruzzaman FCA, Vice President of ICAB.

ICAB Meets CA ANZ Leadership to Deepen Collaboration

ICAB held a high-level bilateral meeting with Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) to discuss the renewal of the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and explore strategic opportunities to strengthen professional mobility between the two bodies on 12 November 2025 at Mexico City.

Key Objective: The primary focus of the meeting was the renewal of the ICAB-CA ANZ MOU, scheduled for June 2026, with particular attention to enhancing mutual membership pathways and supporting global recognition for members of both institutes.

Review of Current Arrangements: Participants noted that the current eligibility criteria limit pathway access to ICAB members residing in Australia. This geographic restriction was recognized as a major obstacle to maximizing the full scope of mutual recognition.

Proposal for Global Access: ICAB proposed extending eligibility to all ICAB members globally, regardless of their location. The proposal-initiated by ICAB COO Mr. Mahbub Ahmed Siddique-received strong endorsement from ICAB President Mr. NKA Mobin, who highlighted its importance in enhancing international mobility, career growth, and professional visibility for Bangladeshi accountants worldwide. Both sides acknowledged that this expansion would also enrich the CA ANZ membership base with globally experienced professionals.

Outcome and Next Steps: CA ANZ CEO Ms. Ainslie van Onselen confirmed that the proposal for global pathway expansion has been formally submitted to the CA ANZ Board for detailed evaluation. Both institutions expressed confidence in a positive review and agreed to maintain close engagement as the proposal advances through internal governance processes.

Conclusion: The meeting concluded on a constructive and forward-looking note, reaffirming the shared commitment of ICAB and CA ANZ to promoting professional development, strengthening cross-border mobility, and enhancing global recognition for their members.

The proposed widening of membership pathways is expected to serve as a significant milestone in reinforcing the strategic partnership between the two institutes within the international accounting community.

President's Communication

Dear Fellow Members and Colleagues,

Assalamu Alaikum and Greetings to you all.

Dear Members,

By this time you would have known that the Institute has undergone massive reform initiatives. Reform of the ICAB is essential to ensure the profession remains credible, relevant, and aligned with the public interest. In a rapidly changing economic and regulatory environment, the Institute must continuously strengthen its governance, transparency, and accountability. Strong and sound leadership practices, clear decision-making processes, and strong ethical oversight are fundamental to building trust in the profession.

Among others, equally important is reform in education and training, at the same time regulatory and disciplinary mechanisms must be robust, independent, and timely to uphold professional integrity. We believe, transformation can enhance efficiency in examinations, member services, and quality assurance processes.

Ultimately, ICAB should be inclusive, forward-looking, and closely engaged with regulators and policymakers, by positioning Chartered Accountants as key contributors to sustainable economic growth and good governance.

Now, I would like to update you on the key activities of the month which are outlined below in chronological, detailed, and narrative form:

01 November 2025: The 53rd Annual Meeting was held in hybrid mode at the ICAB Auditorium, Dhaka, chaired by me. A total of 321 members attended the Annual Meeting (123 in-person and 198 online), exceeding the quorum requirement. The meeting highlighted pre- and post-election reforms, including committee restructuring, alignment of Vice President portfolios, and formation of committees on Digital & Virtual Services (DVS) and management empowerment. Members were briefed on quality assurance enhancements through FRMPR/QAD, ongoing regulatory engagements, and initiatives to safeguard professional interests, including recommendations and suggestions on the Finance Bill. I also confirmed the alignment of Council and President's terms with the financial year and outlined strategic priorities for ICAB's future development.

03 November 2025: A grand reception was organised to honour Ms. Parveen Mahmud, recipient of the SAFA Lifetime Woman Leadership Award 2025, recognising her lifelong contributions to the profession, corporate governance, and women's leadership in finance. The program, organised by the ICAB Gender Inclusion and Leadership Committee, was attended among others by former Presidents, Council Members, general members, and prominent civil society leaders and dignified personalities. The event felicitated her pivotal role in drafting ICAB's upcoming Legacy Book and her contribution to advancing women in finance.

06 November 2025: ICAB organised a webinar titled "IFRS 18: Presentation and Disclosure – Transition from IAS 1" to discuss the technical aspects of the new global standard effective from 1 January 2027. Chaired by Mr. Md. Rokonuzzaman FCA, Vice President, ICAB. The session covered retrospective restatement of comparative information, enhanced disclosure requirements, and implications for financial statement presentation. I delivered address of welcome. The

Panelists included Mr. Sk. Ashik Iqbal FCA and Mr. Shah Md. Mohin Uddin FCA, with keynote remarks made by Mr. Kamrul Hasan Siddiqui FCA. The webinar concluded having a moderated Q&A session, with closing remarks made by Mr. Md. Moniruzzaman FCA, Vice President, ICAB.

07 November 2025: ICAB successfully organised the first-ever Accounting Day Run 2025 at Hatirjheel, Dhaka, under the theme "Fitness Meets Accounting". The event attracted over 1,800 participants, including 300 Chartered Accountants, 600 CA students, and a few international participants. Activities included a 7.5 km competitive run and a 1 km fun run for children and families. Special guests, including educator Mr. Ayman Sadiq and Ironman athlete Mr. Shamsuzzaman Arafat, motivated participants, fostering health, unity, and professional spirit.

08 November 2025: A reception was accorded to newly qualified Chartered Accountants (November–December 2024 and March–April 2025) at CA Bhaban, Dhaka. The program, hosted by the Members Affairs & Practice Management Committee (MAPMC), welcomed new members into the profession, emphasising ethics, professional standards, and career growth. Vice Presidents, Council Members, and DRC representatives attended the event. I delivered address of welcome, while ICAB Vice Presidents and Council Members were also present.

8–9 November 2025: A two-day workshop was organized at CA Bhaban, Dhaka, focusing on practical audit challenges, risk assessment, and key audit areas. Participants included ICAB members and professionals from other organisations, and sessions were led by Mr. Mohammad Gias Uddin ACA and Mr. Jahidul Ahasan ACA.

09 November 2025: ICAB held a workshop titled "From Clock to Culture: Managing Time and People Effectively" at The Avenue Hotel & Suites, Chattogram. The session emphasised productivity, leadership, and organisational culture. The program's Keynote speaker was Mr. Akhter Matin Chawdhury FCA, while Guest of Honor was Ms. Fatima Mary Sidotam, Dean of Students, Asian University for Women; The session was Chaired by Mr. Muhammad Shariful Islam Shiplu FCA.

10 November 2025: ICAB organized an International Accounting Day Rally at Agrabad Commercial Area, Chattogram, attended by members, students, and media personel, where the Guest of Honor was Mr. Johirul Islam FCA, Council Member and Past Vice President, ICAB.

On the same day, ICAB got engaged with the UK Financial Reporting Council (FRC) in London to understand the UK audit regulatory framework, risk-based supervision, and structured engagement with ICAEW, while apprising the Council of Bangladesh's audit oversight reforms.

11 November 2025: A technical session was organised at ICAB, Dhaka, for 48 participants, led by Mr. Abdullah-Al Mamun FCA, Director, Audit & Consultancy, ACNABIN. The training focused on going concern assessment, subsequent events, and written representations, strengthening members' technical competencies.

12 November 2025: In Mexico City, ICAB got itself engaged with Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ) to discuss renewal of the MoU scheduled for June 2026, expansion of membership pathways for ICAB members worldwide, and global recognition initiatives.

12–13 November 2025: ICAB actively participated in IFAC meetings in Mexico City, contributing to global decision-making, ensuring SMO compliance, and aligning ICAB's strategic roadmap with IFAC's 2026–2030 direction. ICAB COO Mr. Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA was nominated to the IFAC Professional Accountancy Organization Development & Advisory Group (PAODAG) for the 2026–2028 term, enhancing ICAB's global influence.

13 November 2025: ICAB explored phased collaboration with ACCA on ethics, AI, and sustainability initiatives; discussed ICAB–CPA membership pathways for exam exemption based on syllabus alignment; and strengthened partnerships with IFAC to enhance professional development and global engagement.

14 & 21 November 2025: Training sessions on "Smart Work with MS Excel: Data Management, Automation and Efficiency" were conducted at the ICAB Chattogram Regional Office by Mr. Mohammed Shah Alam ACA, with the efforts of enhancing members' digital and analytical capabilities.

17 November 2025: ICAB met UK members and CA Worldwide to discuss global mobility, strategic alignment, training and exam centres, and membership pathways. The meetings focused on strengthening international partnerships, enhancing visibility, and aligning local strategy with global CA initiatives.

18 November 2025: ICAB and CIPFA UK re-signed a Memorandum of Understanding at CIPFA's London office. The collaboration focuses on advancing public financial management, education and training pathways, forensic accounting, and initiatives to prevent corruption.

26–27 November 2025: ICAB provided technical support for a training program on basic accounting for journalists, improving financial literacy, reporting quality, and public awareness of accounting issues.

27 November 2025: A specialised session was conducted on interim reporting requirements under Bangladesh Bank's Bank-Company External Auditing Rules, 2024, for 54 participants, led by Manik Majumder FCA, First Vice President, Bank Asia PLC.

29 November 2025: ICAB organised a training session on using the work of internal auditors and audit experts, led by Abdullah-Al Mamun FCA, strengthening members' skills in complex audit engagements.

Such activities reflect ICAB's commitment to reform, international collaboration, professional excellence, and public service. These activities also demonstrate ICAB's leadership in shaping the accounting profession in Bangladesh and enhancing its visibility and influence globally.

With best regards,

N K A Mobin FCA
President, ICAB

ICAB Engages with FRC, UK

ICAB Engages with FRC, UK to Strengthen Audit Regulation Framework in Bangladesh at FRC UK at the FRC Office in London on 10 November 2025.

Objective: Understand the UK's audit regulatory model and explore ways to strengthen audit oversight in Bangladesh.

Key discussion points: Discussions covered the FRC UK's mandate, risk-based supervision, and its structured relationship with ICAEW.

Insights will support ICAB's engagement with FRC Bangladesh to promote a proportionate, transparent, and internationally aligned regulatory framework.

FRC UK highlighted key features of its model: clear PIE definition, principles-based and proportionate standard-setting, and a risk-based inspection regime.

Emphasis was placed on the "supervision of supervisors" approach, where FRC oversees how professional bodies like ICAEW regulate their members.

ICAB identified priority areas for Bangladesh: refined PIE definition, risk-based inspections, statutory clarity, and a collaborative regulatory ecosystem.

The engagement is an important step toward aligning Bangladesh's audit regulatory environment with global best practices and strengthening public trust.

ICAB, CIPFA Reaffirm Commitment to Advancing High-Quality PSFM

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA), UK, and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) reaffirmed their commitment to advancing high-quality public financial management by re-signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 18 November 2025 at the CIPFA Office in London.

This renewed collaboration underscores the shared vision of promoting excellence, integrity, and innovation across the profession. During the meeting, both Institutes discussed several key areas shaping the future of public finance, including:

- Expanding pathways into the profession through enhanced education and training and facilitate membership recognition.
- The evolving intersection of the public and private sectors, including the role of state-owned enterprises.
- To jointly work for development of PSFM areas in Bangladesh.
- Forensic accounting and initiatives aimed at preventing corruption.

ICAB President NKA Mobin FCA, Vice Presidents Suraiya Zannath FCA and Md. Rokonuzzaman FCA, and Chief Operating Officer Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA represented ICAB at the event. CIPFA CEO Owen Mapley, Chief Operating Officer Anna Blackman, Senior Lead – International Partnership Steve Watkin, and Head of Qualification and Membership Anna Howard welcomed the ICAB delegation and actively took part in the discussion.

Together, the leadership of both Institutes look forward to driving impactful change and strengthening the profession globally.

Meeting with ICAB UK Chapter

To address operational, strategic, and membership issues, aiming to strengthen collaboration and align global strategies with UK member needs held on 17 November 2025 in London.

Discussion Summary: Formal recognition of UK practice/training rights and an urgent decision on the London exam centre are needed.

Proposals included: overseas Council representation, restoring memberships, reinstating ICAEW pathways, and reforming the UK funding model.

Enhancing student support, expanding training sectors, and strengthening ICAEW collaboration for global mobility were emphasized.

Key outcomes: ICAB will carefully review issues, take follow-up actions on key points, especially on issues which have significance for the profession, regulation and members at large

ICAB would discuss with ICAEW in future regarding audit recognition

The meeting set a clear agenda to boost global mobility and support for Bangladeshi CAs worldwide.

Meeting with ACCA

To discuss ICAB-ACCA relations and strengthen collaboration for the benefit of both institutes, their members, and the profession at large held on 13 November 2025 at Mexico City.

Discussion Summary: ICAB and ACCA explored a phased strategic alliance, pending full ICAB member consultation and approval. Key joint initiatives were identified, focusing on Ethics conferences for AI and Sustainability. Any formal agreement requires thorough internal ICAB membership approval before proceeding.

Key outcomes: Agreed to explore a structured, phased partnership and identify actionable joint initiatives for professional development. ICAB will conduct internal member consultations on the principles of formal collaboration. Successfully reopened dialogue with a shared, member-centric commitment to advancing the profession.

Meeting with IFAC CEO

To strengthen the ICAB-IFAC relationship through discussing strategic alignment, future collaboration opportunities, and ICAB's contributions to the global profession held on 13 November 2025 at Mexico City.

Discussion Summary: ICAB reaffirmed commitment to IFAC standards and its reform strategy. ICAB seeks IFAC support; its COO appointed to a key IFAC advisory group. Mutual collaboration emphasized, with IFAC CEO invited to a future ICAB event.

Key outcomes: ICAB commits to IFAC collaboration on strategic reforms and partnership development. ICAB's COO joins a key IFAC group (PAODAG) for a three-year period from January 2026, enabling direct global contribution in addition to ICAB and IFAC.

A formal invitation for the IFAC CEO to an ICAB event will follow.

ICAB, ICAEW Facilitate Membership Pathways and Joint Educational Initiatives- Signed extension of MoU

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) formally signed the Extension Agreement to the existing ICAEW–ICAB Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) recently at Chartered Accountants' Hall, Moorgate Place, London, UK. The renewed agreement strengthens the long-standing collaboration between the two bodies and ensures the continued validity of the mutual recognition and cooperation framework that facilitates membership pathways and joint educational initiatives.

During the signing ceremony, ICAB President NKA Mobin FCA highlighted the historic partnership between ICAB and ICAEW and expressed ICAB's firm commitment to deepening collaboration in strategic areas, including artificial intelligence, ESG reporting, and audit software integration. ICAEW President Derek Blair reaffirmed ICAEW's dedication to supporting ICAB in capacity building and professional development, emphasising the need for both bodies to adapt to global transformation in the accountancy profession.

A technical knowledge-sharing session was also held focusing on key areas of audit quality assurance, including audit monitoring cycles and risk-based visit approaches, the implementation of ISQM 1, file review methodologies, and follow-up processes for non-compliance. ICAB delegates expressed interest in adopting comparable monitoring frameworks to further strengthen audit quality and regulatory oversight in Bangladesh. Both institutions agreed to explore future cooperation in training and capacity building for ICAB's monitoring and disciplinary functions.

The delegation also discussed ICAEW's recently launched Next Generation ACA qualification, designed to equip future accountants with expertise in data analytics, technology, and specialist learning pathways. ICAB explored opportunities to integrate elements of the curriculum into its own qualification framework and examined options for ICAB members to obtain ICAEW auditing rights, including requirements for supervised experience and examinations.

The renewed partnership is expected to reinforce professional mobility, enhance audit quality, and contribute to the development of a more future-ready accountancy profession in Bangladesh and beyond.

ICAB was represented by President NKA Mobin FCA, Vice Presidents Suraiya Zannath FCA and Md. Rokonuzzaman FCA, ICAB UK Chapter Chairman AKM Fazlur Rahman FCA, and Chief Operating Officer Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA. ICAEW representatives included President Derek Blair, Senior International Business Development Manager Daniel Westley, Head of Audit (Quality Assurance Department) Nick Reynolds, and Director of Qualifications and Training Shaun Robertson.

IFAC Council & Global Connect

To elevate ICAB's international standing by securing its president's active IFAC participation, ensuring vigilant SMO compliance, and exploring favorable mutual qualification recognitions on 12-13 November 2025 at Mexico City.

Purpose of Attendance: Strategic Influence: Enabled direct voting on key IFAC initiatives, including the 2026–2030 Strategic Plan and membership admissions, ensuring Bangladesh's voice in global accounting governance.

Knowledge & Capacity Building: Provided critical insights into emerging areas like sustainability assurance, AI in audit, and public sector standards, directly informing ICAB's future development programs.

Network Expansion: Strengthened strategic partnerships with IFAC leadership and global bodies through bilateral meetings, paving the way for new MOUs and enhanced member mobility.

Key Outcomes: Gained strategic insights to align ICAB's 2026–2030 roadmap with IFAC's global direction.

Enhanced ICAB's global visibility as a proactive and influential professional body.

Secured actionable next steps for strategy integration, member engagement, and partnership advancement.

Reception Accorded to Newly Qualified CAs

The smiling faces, among others pictured were the newly qualified Chartered Accountants at a programme 'Reception to the Newly Qualified Chartered Accountants (November-December 2024 and March-April 2025) organised by the Members Affairs & Practice Management Committee (MAPMC) of the Council-ICAB on 08 November 2025 at CA Bhaban, Dhaka.

ICAB President N K A Mobin FCA, Vice Presidents, Council Members, DRC Chairman & other mambers among others were present on the occasion.

Meeting with CA Worldwide

To align ICAB's strategy with CA Worldwide, strengthen global partnerships, and enhance its visibility and influence within the worldwide CA community held on 17 November 2025 inLondon.

Discussion Summary: Technology, AI, and digital strategies were key themes for future-proofing the profession and enhancing engagement.

Strategic alignment with CAW's strategies was confirmed, adapting them to the local Bangladesh context.

ICAB strengthened global partnerships and MOUs, focusing on member value, unified branding, and collaborative 2026 priorities.

Key outcomes: ICAB will align its strategy with CAW global goals and integrate CAW's global research, ED&I, and technology initiatives.

It will advance MOUs with key institutes (ICAEW, CA ANZ, CA Ireland) and explore specific joint projects in branding and digital transformation.

Active participation in CAW 2026 events, like the Dubai meeting, will maintain ICAB's influential global role and disseminate insights internally.

Meeting with CPA Australia

This meeting reviewed the ICAB-CPA Membership Pathways Agreement to restructure and reduce required exams for ICAB members, based on curriculum alignment held on 13 November 2025 at Mexico City.

Discussion Summary: ICAB proposed reducing its member pathway either directly or from four CPA exams to one (Strategic Management Accounting), based on syllabus mapping showing significant overlap.

CPA Australia acknowledged the request but noted internal curriculum changes, requesting the detailed ICAB report for review.

Both parties committed to further discussion, with CPA Australia to provide updates following its internal assessment.

Key outcomes: ICAB COO to WhatsApp CPA Australia's CEO the syllabus comparison immediately, then submit formally after reviewing updates.

CPA Australia to conduct an internal review and then formally communicate its decision to ICAB.

Both parties recognized the mutual benefits of updating the agreement to enhance professional mobility.

Meeting with CA Ireland

To explore signing an MOU and Membership Pathways Agreement between ICAB and Chartered Accountants Ireland to enhance global member opportunities held on 17 November 2025 in London.

Discussion Summary: ICAB proposed a new MOU and membership pathways agreement with CA Ireland to strengthen international ties.

CA Ireland expressed interest but emphasized the need for formal internal review and due process before any agreement.

Both parties are optimistic about finalizing a formal agreement, potentially at an upcoming event in the UAE in April 2026.

Key outcomes: ICAB will share documents for review and CA Ireland will evaluate internally per due diligence.

Ongoing communication will explore near-future MOU and membership pathway agreements.

This step strengthens collaboration, aiming to enhance global mobility and recognition.

ICAB Delegates Visit ICA Pakistan
for Strengthening Collaboration

A delegation from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB), led by its President NKA Mobin FCA, met with senior officials of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (ICAP) in November 2025 at the ICAP office. The ICAB delegation included Md. Moniruzzaman FCA, Vice President of ICAB, and Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA, Chief Operating Officer of ICAB.

During the meeting, the ICAB delegation held in-depth discussions with Muhammad Irfan Ghaziani FCA, Executive Director (Examination), and Shumaila Halo FCA, Director and Head of the Initial Professional Development (IPD) Department of ICAP. The discussions focused on ICAP's education and examination framework, its effectiveness, and future readiness in line with evolving global professional requirements. ICAP also delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining its own education and examination system, facilitating knowledge sharing and comparative insights.

Additionally, the ICAB delegation met with Sheikh Bilal Shams FCA, CISA, Director and Head of the Quality Assurance Department (QAD) of ICAP, along with Syed Muzammil Ali ACA, ACCA, APFA, Senior Manager, Quality Assurance. The meeting covered detailed discussions on ICAP's quality assurance framework, QAD operational processes, activities, and regulatory authority, highlighting best practices in maintaining professional standards and audit quality.

The meetings reinforced professional cooperation between ICAB and ICAP and contributed to mutual learning in education, examination, and quality assurance systems.

ICAB Leadership Attends SAFA Board and Committee Meetings in Pakistan

ICAB President NKA Mobin FCA, accompanied by SAFA Vice President and ICAB Past President Md. Humayun Kabir FCA, and SAFA Assistant Executive Secretary and ICAB Chief Operating Officer Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA, participated in the SAFA Board Meeting held in Pakistan in November 2027. The meeting brought together senior leadership of SAFA member bodies from across South Asia to review ongoing initiatives, assess progress, and set strategic directions for regional professional development.

In addition to the SAFA Board Meeting, a series of SAFA committee meetings were held, covering key thematic and sectoral areas. Following in-depth deliberations, the respective chairmen of the committees presented recommendations and detailed action plans with a focus on both country-level implementation and regional collaboration. The committees included the SAFA Accounting Standards Committee, which discussed harmonisation of financial reporting practices and regional cooperation on IFRS adoption; the SAFA Women Leadership Committee, which emphasised strengthening female leadership and inclusion within the accounting profession; and the SAFA Government and Public Sector Enterprises Accountants Committee, which focused on enhancing public financial management and accountability.

International Accounting Day 2025 at Ctg

A rally titled "International Accounting Day 2025" was held on 10 November 2025 at the Agrabad Commercial Area, Chattogram. Johirul Islam FCA, Council Member–ICAB and Partner, A. Quasem & Co., Chartered Accountants, attended as the Guest of Honor. Various members, students, guests, and representatives from the print media also participated in the program.

Admission as Associate

The following members have been admitted as Associate of the Institute with effect from the date mentioned against their names:

Name — **Effective Date**

Md. Ekram Hosen ACA (2425) — **13 October 2025**
House # 13, Avenue @ 02, Block # D
Mirpur-12, Dhaka

Md. Abdul Hannan ACA (2426) — **13 October 2025**
JA-166, T&T Road, Wireless
Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212

Md. Fajlul Karim ACA (2427) — **23 October 2025**
Senior Manager (F&A)
Kollol Group of Companies
199 Tejgaon I/A, (1st Floor)
Dhaka-1212

Mohammad Abdur Rahim ACA (2428) — **23 October 2025**
Ja-53, Parul Kuthir, (5th Floor)
Gudaraghat, Badda, Dhaka

Illius Sharkar ACA (2429) — **27 October 2025**
Associate Manager
Rahman Rahman Huq
Chartered Accountans
9 & 5 Mohakhali Ca/A
Dhaka-1212

Name — **Effective Date**

Masuda Sultana ACA (2430) — **30 October 2025**
Shopno Nibash, 19/1, Block-E, Road-2
Future Town Project
40 Free Avenue, Mohammadpur
Dhaka-1207

Permission to train Articled Students

The following members have been permitted to train Articled Students with effect from the date mentioned against their names:

Name — **Effective Date**

Bijan Bhowmick FCA (1804) — **11 September 2025**
Partner
J Mandal & Co., Chartered Accountants
Eastern Mansion (10th Floor)
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Dhaka-1000

Md Golam Kibria FCA (796) — **17 September 2025**
Proprietor
MG Kibria & Co., Chartered Accountants
Akik Mahal (1st Floor), 3/7, Naya Paltan
Box-Culvert Road
Dhaka-1000

Shah Md. Mohin Uddin FCA (1645) — **28 September 2025**
Senior Partner
Hasan Mohin, Chartered Accountants
Sheltech Rubynur (Level-12)
115 Senpara, Mirpur-10
Dhaka-1216

Md. Golam Mostafa FCA (1301) — **15 October 2025**
Partner
S. K. Barua & Co.
Chartered Accountants
House # 184 (Ground Floor & Second Floor)
Road # 02, New DOHS, Mohakhali
Dhaka-1206

Md Hasan Habib Iman FCA (1672) — **19 October 2025**
Proprietor
Iman Hasan, Chartered Accountants
Suite-1103, Level-11, 28 Dilkusha C/A
Dhaka-1000

Name **Effective Date**

Tanvirul Islam Mahim ACA (2241) **20 October 2025**
Partner
M Rashid Zaman & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Borak Unique Heights
117 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue
Flat 9C (8th Floor), Ramna, Dhaka

Shahadat Hosen FCA (1389) **7 October 2025**
Partner (Branch In-Charge)
Fouz Ilahi & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Agrabad Center (4th Floor)
2470/A, Sk. Mujib Road
Chowmuhani, Chattogram

Shaikh Ashafuzzaman FCA (951) **30 October 2025**
Partner
Ali Zahir Ashraf & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Ali Bhaban, (8th Floor)
9 Rajuk Avenue, Motijheel C/A
Dhaka-1000

Permission to Join as Partner

Mohammad Moniruzzaman FCA (1637) has been permitted to form a partnership and start practice under the name and style of:

Name **Effective Date**
Islam Siraj & Co. **16 October 2025**
Chartered Accountants
Al Mizan Center
Holding No. 11-7/J-1, (4th Floor)
Free School Street, Kathalbagan
PS-Kalabagan, Dhaka-1205

The other partner of the firm: Md. Sirajul Islam FCA (1212).

Md. Badrul Islam ACA (2160) has been permitted to form a partnership and start practice under the name and style of:

Name **Effective Date**
T. Hussain & Co. **22 October 2025**
Chartered Accountants
H B Tower (1st Floor & 4th Floor)
23/G/1, Free School Street (Panthapath)
Kalabagan, Dhaka-1205

The other partners of the firm: Tofazzul Hussain FCA (536), Gobinda Chandra Das FCA (882), Mohammad Abu Kawsar FCA (1497), Mohammad Sirajul Islam FCA (1053) and Md. Sayed Hassan FCA (1849).

Kazi Mostafa Alam FCA (448) and **Md. Ershad Hossain Chowdhury ACA (2190)** have been permitted to form a partnership and start practice under the name and style of:

Name **Effective Date**
Rahman Mostafa Alam & Co. **01 November 2025**
Chartered Accountants
Paramount Heights (7th Floor, D2 & C1)
65/2/1, Box Culvert Road
Purana Paltan
Dhaka-1000

The other partners of the firm: Md Mustafizur Rahman FCA (218), Mohammad Mofizul Haque Rinku FCA (1204), Md. Shakhawat Hossain FCA (1930) and Fatama Khatun ACA (2131).

Sajib Howlader ACA (2058) have been permitted to form a partnership and start practice under the name and style of:

Name **Effective Date**
Akhtar Amir & Co. **30 September 2025**
Chartered Accountants
18/1, Masjid Goli (6th Floor)
Naya Paltan, Dhaka-1000

The other partners of the firm: Mohd Amir Ali FCA (508) and Md. Akizur Rahman FCA (1534).

Permission to Start Practice

The following members have been permitted to Start Practice as Public Accountants with effect from the date mentioned against their names:

Name **Effective Date**
Mohammad Moniruzzaman FCA (1637) **16 October 2025**
Partner
Islam Siraj & Co., Chartered Accountants
Al Mizan Center, Holding No. 11-7/J-1, (4th Floor)
Free School Street, Kathalbagan
PS-Kalabagan, Dhaka-1205

Md. Badrul Islam ACA (2160) **22 October 2025**
Partner
T. Hussain & Co.
Chartered Accountants
H B Tower (1st Floor & 4th Floor)
23/G/1, Free School Street (Panthapath)
Kalabagan, Dhaka-1205

Kazi Mostafa Alam FCA (448) **01 November 2025**
Partner
Rahman Mostafa Alam & Co., Chartered Accountants
Paramount Heights (7th Floor, D2 & C1)
65/2/1, Box Culvert Road
Purana Paltan, Dhaka-1000

Name	Effective Date
Md. Ershad Hossain Chowdhury ACA (2190) Partner Rahman Mostafa Alam & Co. Chartered Accountants Al-Madina Tower (6th Floor) 88/89 Agrabad C/A, Chattogram-4100	**01 November 2025**
Sajib Howlader ACA (2058) Partner Akhtar Amir & Co. Chartered Accountants 18/1, Masjid Goli (6th Floor) Nayapaltan, Dhaka-1000	**30 September 2025**
Khaled Mohammad Munirul Muktadir FCA (1332) Proprietor Khaled Muktadir & Co. Chartered Accountants Apt # 9, House # 28, Prominent Housing Shek-er-Tek, Road # 03 Adabor, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207	**09 October 2025**
Md Mudabbir Hussain FCA (744) Proprietor Mudabbir Hussian & Co. Chartered Accountants, Jahangir Tower (4th Floor), 10 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue Karwan Bazar, Dhaka-1215	**07 September 2025**

Change of Address of Principal Office

Name & New Address	Effective Date
Shameem Khaled Salahuddin & Co. Chartered Accountants Wins Court, House: 08, Road: 14 (New) Level-5, Dhanmondi-Dhaka-1209	**09 October 2025**
Ahsan Zamir & Co. Chartered Accountants House # 278 (2nd Floor), Lane # 19 New DOHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1206	**23 October 2025**
M Hannan & Co. Chartered Accountants Abdur Rouf Tower, (4th Floor) 15 Bijoynagar, Dhaka-1000	**27 October 2025**
G. Mostafa & MMC Chartered Accountants Azhar Comfort Complex 6th Floor, GA 130A, Pragati Sarani Middle Badda, Gulshan, Dhaka-1212	**28 October 2025**

Change of Firm's Name

Name and Address	Effective Date
H. Asraf K. Abhijit & Co. Chartered Accountants (Formerly K. Abhijit & Co., Chartered Accountants) Green City Regency Plot # 26 & 27 C/A Bir Uttam, Shamsul Alam Road (11th Floor) Type-A, Kakrail, Dhaka-1000	**01 October 2025**

Permission for Formation of a Proprietorship Firm

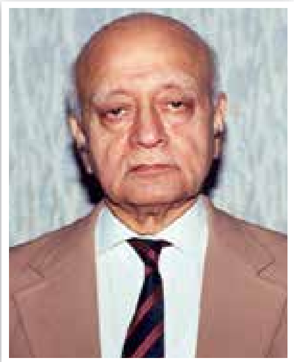
Khaled Mohammad Munirul Muktadir FCA (1332) has been permitted for Formation of a Proprietorship Firm and continue practice under the name and style of:

Name	Effective Date
Khaled Muktadir & Co. Chartered Accountants Apt. # 9, House # 28 Prominent Housing, Shek-er-Tek, Road # 03 Adabor, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207	**09 October 2025**

Md Mudabbir Hussain FCA (744) has been permitted for Formation of a Proprietorship Firm and continue practice under the name and style of:

Name	Effective Date
Mudabbir Hussain & Co. Chartered Accountants Jahangir Tower (4th Floor) 10 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue Karwan Bazar, Dhaka-1215	**07 September 2025**

Obituary



Mr. Md Matiul Islam FCA (Enrollment No. 694), First Finance Secretary of GoB, and Chairman, Industrial and Infrastructure Development Finance Company Limited passed away on 20 November 2025 at. 01:30 am at his daughter's house, Gulshan, Dhaka due to old age complications (Inna Lillahe Wa Inna Illahe Rajeun).

On behalf of the Institute, President-ICAB N K A Mobin FCA expressed deep condolence to the bereaved family and prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul.

Campus News

ICAB Academic Campus News

The session (Sept-Nov-2025, 24th Batch) for Certificate Level Students which was started from 04-Sept-2025, already concluded on 30-Nov-2025 (keeping some special arrangements on Fri & Sat/days). There were 1,139 students joining with 56 teachers for the session. All students are the fresh candidates for the Certificate Level exam, Session: December-2025 (4th Quarter), to be held from 07-Dec-2025.

Meanwhile. the classes of Professional Level (21th Batch, Students-569, Terachers-28) has been started from 25-Nov-2025, and the session will be closed by 28-Feb-2026.

Besides, the classes of Advanced Level (Session: Nov-Dec-2025, 18th Batch, Students-57, Terachers-10) which was started from 13-Oct-2025, will now be closed on 07-Dec-2025. Here all students will appear at the exam, Session: December-2025 (3rd Quarter), to be commenced on 17-Dec-2025.

The Pre-articleship Training Course (PATC) for CA students (23rd batch) on "Audit & Assurance" (AA) & "English Language" (EL) which was started from 05-Nov-2025 (with 300 students; and 05 teachers of EL & 14 teachers of AA), will now be ended on 07-Dec-2025. Thereafter, its next 24th batch (for the prospective students' physical training course) will begin from 10-Dec-2025, at ICAB- Academic Premises.

However, Class Management Department is ready with its preparation for organizing its all the courses (regular, flexible & special classes of Professional & Advanced Levels physically at academic venues, CA Bhaban, 1st floor & 4th floor; and Certificate Level sessions through online system) all over the year, as instructed by the Board of Studies (BoS) of the Institute for the benefit of the students. The concerned students are joining there merrily and completing all the classes effectively.

In the meantime, the Articleship Management Department has been registered articled students 270 and 460 of PAS (pre-articleship students) within the month of November-2025. The "Knowledge Sharing Session (KSS)" for Newly Registered Students (49th Batch) already organized in the month of November 26, 27 & 30, 2025.

Furthermore, the Study Materials Department and ICAB-Central Library are utilizing services keeping with upgradation as maintained by the directives of government and also decisions of ICAB management time to time through on line and offline systems. Study manuals & books are now available at Books' Sale Centre. Students are coming pleasantly there, and users receiving dedicated services from the Library, too.

The Students' Counseling and Placement Department (SCPD) has already planned to hold a-Student Awareness and Motivational Programs titled "Start Chartered Accountancy, When You Study in College/University with the 4-Departments' of Govt. B M College, Barishal, by the 3rd week of December, 2025. Furthermore, Pre-Articled Students (PAS) program communication with the different universities, colleges and English medium schools are running, and registration is open for all the concerned students. By the way, Exemption/ Waiver related addendum on earlier Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony is going to be opened with the different universities and ICAB, after the 2nd week of December 2025. This department also intends to meet and share academic views with the International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT), Uttara Model Town, Dhaka within the 1st week of January 2026.

The above programs and activities have been organized by the Head of Education & Students' Affairs Division (ESAD) and a team of 5 departments concern, under the supervision of the Chief Executive Officer(CEO)-ICAB, with the guidance and consent of the and Vice President (E&T), Chairman of the Board of Studies (BoS) and the President of ICAB.

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Announcement

(Classes of Next Session)

The students' enrolment for Certificate Level classes (regular new-25th batch, Session: December 2025 - February 2026) has been started from 07-Sept-2025. The last date for application of classes is 25-Nov-2025.The session will commence on 10 December 2025.

Source: ICAB Campus

Status of Student Registration for CA Qualification

Particular	Number of Students in November '25	Total Number of Students in 2025
Articleship	270	2,163
Pre-Articleship (Ongoing)	388	2,061
Pre-Articleship (Special Offer)	70	434
Pre-Articleship (ACMA and ACCA)	02	56
Total	**730**	**4,714**

ICAB Honors Parveen Mahmud for receiving SAFA Lifetime Woman Leadership Award

ICAB has hosted a grand reception to honor Parveen Mahmud, recipient of the SAFA Lifetime Woman Leadership Award 2025.

The event held on November 3 at CA Bhaban brought together ICAB former presidents, council members, and members, including women chartered accountants. Prominent civil society and business leaders also joined the celebration.

Speakers and attendees lauded Mahmud's lifelong contribution to the accounting profession, her pioneering leadership, and her commitment to advancing women's participation in finance and corporate governance.

ICAB President N K A Mobin FCA commended Mahmud's outstanding service to the Institute and her pivotal role in drafting ICAB's upcoming Legacy Book, which chronicles the Institute's journey since its inception. "Its publication will stand as recognition of her dedication and contribution to the profession," he said.

Suraiya Zannath, Vice President (Strategy and Stakeholder Collaboration & Coordination) of ICAB, described Mahmud as "a fearless and indomitable professional who continues to inspire all".

She added, "Her (Parveen Mahmud) commitment to the profession and to society is exemplary. This award is a well-deserved recognition, though each of her many roles could merit a celebration on its own."

Rasheda K. Chowdhury, educationist and former Adviser to the Caretaker Government, hailed Mahmud as "a bearer of her family's legacy of leadership," noting her continued inspiration to young generations.

Professor Lakshman R. Watawala, president of the Institute of Certified Management Accountants of Sri Lanka (CMA Sri Lanka) who joined the programme virtually, said that Parveen Mahmud has played a significant role in advancing the professional development of female Chartered Accountants in Bangladesh.

He added that her contributions in the fields of accounting, business, NGOs, and other sectors are both remarkable and still much needed.

The programme was organised by the ICAB Gender Inclusion and Leadership Committee, chaired by Zareen Mahmud Hosein FCA, Council Member, ICAB.

Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA becomes Member of IFAC PAODAG

Mr. Mahbub Ahmed Siddique FCA (Enrolment No. 1020), ICAB Chief Operating Officer as nominated by ICAB has been selected by the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) as a Member of Professional Accountancy Organization Development & Advisory Group (PAODAG) for the 2026-2028 term following a rigorous selection process competing globally by IFAC Nominating Committee.

His role, include the opportunity to provide strategic guidance and practical support to professional accountancy organizations (PAOs) worldwide and help professionals become stronger, more sustainable, and better equipped to serve the public interest. This appointment reflects global recognition of his individual excellence, expertise, and professional experience, while also elevating ICAB's standing on the international platforms.

He is also ICAB nominated director at SAFA Foundation and Marketing Director at Chartered Accountants Worldwide.

Besides his regular role in ICAB, currently Mr. Siddique is serving as Assistant Executive Secretary of the South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA) for the year 2025 which is nominated by the ICAB. He shall take over as Executive Secretary of SAFA for the year 2026.

Activities of ICAB's Divisional Office

Drive to increase Students' Enrollment

Rajshahi Office

- Twenty-nine new students have registered in (25th batch) under PAS program;
- Ninety-three students in Certificate Level have enrolled for the class (25th batch);
- Twenty students in Professional Level have enrolled for the class (21th Batch);
- Four students claimed exemption of some examination papers at CL.

Mymensingh Office

- Sixteen new students have registered (25th Batch) under PAS program;
- Thirty-four new students in Certificate Level have enrolled for the class (25th batch);
- Two students in Professional Level have enrolled for the class (25th batch);
- Eighty-three visitors came to the regional office and enquired about CA.

Khulna Office

- Seventeen new students have registered in (25th batch) under PAS program;
- Forty-two new students in Certificate Level have enrolled for the class (25th batch);
- Three new students in Professional Level have enrolled for the class (21st batch);
- Ninety-two visitors came to the office to get information about CA.

Rangpur Office

- Thirty-one new students have registered in (25th batch) under PAS program;
- Eighty-four new students in Certificate Level have enrolled for the class (25th batch);
- Eighty-two visitors came to the office to get information about CA.

Sylhet Office

- Six new students have registered under PAS program;
- Fifteen new students in Certificate Level have enrolled for the class (25th Batch) and one student in Professional Level has enrolled for the class (21st batch);
- Ten visitors came to the regional office and enquired about CA.

Update of Quard-E-Hasana Fund as of October 2025

Loan Recipients of the Quard-E-Hasana Fund and their study levels of CA Examinations.

Level of Examinations		No. of Recipients
Certificate Level	26	136
Professional Level	103	
Advance Level	4	
CA Qualified	3	

- Total loan Recipients of the fund is – 136, amongst whom 62 students are currently receiving the monthly instalments, 18 students have received one-time loan, 25 students are repaying the loan in instalments regularly to the Fund, 16 students are still enjoying the 6 months' grace period (as per Quard-E-Hasana Management Policy) to start the repayment of the loan, and 15 students fully paid back the loan amount.
- Monthly loan installment is being disbursed- Tk. 5,33,000/- in November 2025
- Total disbursement amount of Tk. 1,20,05,500/- as on 30th November 2025
- Total recovery of the loan Tk. 18,51,000/- as on 30th November 2025
- Total No. of students repaying the loan 40 (Forty), as per their commitment, 100% loan have been recovered up to November 2025
- After disbursement of installment in November 2025, total commitment amount of Tk. 29,19,500/- to 62 students (running) up to January 2028.
- Account's Balance as on November 2025 Tk. 24,57,945/-

Total beneficiaries of Quard-E-Hasana Fund Qualified as CAs – 03(Three).

ICAB Provides Technical Support to Training on Basic Accounting for Journalists

ICAB Provides Technical Support to Training on Basic Accounting for Journalists from 26-27 November 2025

Objectives: The initiative aimed to enhance financial literacy among media professionals and improve the quality of economic and business reporting in Bangladesh.

ICAB experts delivered sessions covering core accounting principles, financial statements, and key reporting standards.

The training helped journalists strengthen their ability to analyze financial information and interpret economic data for the public.

ICAB reaffirmed its commitment to supporting capacity-building programmes that promote transparency, informed journalism, and improved financial awareness across sectors.

From Clock to Culture: Managing Time and People Effectively

A workshop titled “From Clock to Culture: Managing Time and People Effectively” was held on 9 November 2025 at the Grand Hall of The Avenue Hotel & Suites, Chattogram. The event featured Akhter Matin Chawdhury FCA, Partner at MABS & J Partners, Chartered Accountants, as the keynote speaker. Fatima Mary Sidotam, Dean of Students at the Asian University for Women, graced the occasion as the Guest of Honor, while Muhammad Shariful Islam Shiplu FCA, General Manager–Finance & Accounts, M. M. Ispahani Limited, served as the Session Chairman.

Smart Work with MS Excel: Data Management Automation and Efficiency

A training program titled “Smart Work With MS Excel: Data Management, Automation and Efficiency” was held on 14 & 21 November 2025 at the Conference Hall of the ICAB–Chattogram Regional Office. The sessions were conducted by Mohammed Shah Alam ACA, M. Shah Alam & Co., Chartered Accountants.

Accounting Day Run 2025 at Hatirjheel

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh successfully organised the first-ever ‘Accounting Day Run 2025’ on 7 November 2025 at Hatirjheel, Dhaka, to mark International Accounting Day with the inspiring theme ‘Fitness Meets Accounting.’

The Dhaka Regional Committee of ICAB hosted this signature event with over 1,800 participants, including 300 Chartered Accountants, 600 CA students, and others. Featuring a 7.5 km competitive run and a 1 km fun run for kids and moms, the event fostered health, unity, and professional excellence.

The event featured a 7.5 km run and a 1 km fun run with a red-carpet finish, medals, and breakfast, drawing participants from across Bangladesh and abroad, including France, Canada, India, Malaysia, and Sierra Leone.

Adding to the festivity, popular educator Ayman Sadiq and Ironman athlete Shamsuzzaman Arafat joined the event, inspiring participants with their energy and words of encouragement.

The event was graced by the presence of ICAB Past President Muhammed Farhad Hussain FCA, AF Nesaruddin FCA, ICAB Council Members, DRC chairman Mahmudur Rahman FCA, Event Director and Council Member Asifur Rahman FCA, Event Convenor Sk Md Tarikul Islam FCA, Event Chairman Maksodur Rahman FCA, DRC Member Kamruzzaman FCA and other esteemed members of the DRC.

Runners competed in categories such as CA Elite, CA Amateur, CA Students, and General Participants, with Champion, 1st Runner-Up, and 2nd Runner-Up winners in each group receiving attractive prizes and crests.

The Accounting Day Run 2025 is expected to become an annual flagship event, reflecting ICAB’s commitment to holistic development, balancing career, community, and health.

Training and Workshop News

Significant Audit Areas

ICAB organised the workshop on 'Significant Audit Areas’ on 08, 09 November 2025 at ICAB Training Room, CA Bhaban, Dhaka. A total of 23 ICAB members and other organisations participated in the training. The resource persons of the training were Mohammad Gias Uddin ACA, Deputy Director (Audit & Advisory Services), A Wahab & Co., Chartered Accountants and Jahidul Ahasan ACA, Deputy Director, Howladar Yunus & Co., Chartered Accountants.

Going Concern, Subsequent Events and Written Representations

ICAB organised the training on ‘Going Concern, Subsequent Events and Written Representations’ on 11 November 2025 at ICAB Training Room, CA Bhaban, Dhaka. A total of 48 ICAB members and other organisations participated in the training session. The resource person of the training was Abdullah-Al Mamun FCA, Director, Audit & Consultancy, ACNABIN, Chartered Accountants.

Bank Audit Procedures-Interim Reporting Requirements

ICAB organised the training on ‘Bank Audit Procedures-Interim Reporting Requirements under the Bangladesh Bank, Bank-Company External Auditing Rules, 2024' on 27 November 2025 at ICAB Training Room, CA Bhaban, Dhaka. A total of 54 ICAB members and other organisations participated in the training session. The resource person of the training was Manik Majumder FCA, First Vice President (FVP), Group Finance & Accounts Division, Bank Asia PLC.

Audit of Group Financial Statements

ICAB organised the training on 'Audit of Group Financial Statements and Using the Work of Internal Auditors and Auditor's Expert’ on 29 November 2025 at ICAB Training Room, CA Bhaban, Dhaka. A total of 25 ICAB members and other organisations participated in the training session. The resource person of the training was Abdullah-Al Mamun FCA, Director, Audit & Consultancy, ACNABIN, Chartered Accountants.

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