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Dear CA Students,

Warm greetings to all of you!

July is an exciting month as it marks the culmination of your recent efforts and the beginning of new opportunities. With the announcement of results, remember that they are not just a measure of success but also a learning experience that shapes your professional journey.

For those who have achieved their goals, heartiest congratulations! Celebrate this milestone and gear up for the next phase of your career. For those who might not have met their expectations, take this as a stepping stone toward greater achievements. Every setback is a setup for a comeback, and perseverance is the key to success in this profession.

Reflecting on the past month, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated in and contributed to the success of the CA Marathon held in June. This event was a testament to your enthusiasm, dedication, and the spirit of togetherness that defines our community. The Marathon provided a platform for comprehensive learning and a boost of confidence ahead of the examinations. The energy and passion exhibited were truly inspiring.

As we step into July, let us carry forward this momentum. The month also brings new learning opportunities, with seminars, workshops, and professional events organized by ICAI. Make the most of these initiatives to enhance your skills and expand your network.

Let us continue to uphold the values of integrity, excellence, and dedication as we move forward in our journey. Remember, you are the future of the accountancy profession, and your contributions will shape the financial landscape of our nation.

Wishing you continued success in all your endeavors!

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Message





Dark Side of STOCK MARKET

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During the change in economy the people are move towards stock market this was appreciable and nation economy rising towards development While the stock market can be a great way to build wealth over the long term, there are also some potential downsides and risks that are often not talked about as much. Here are some of the “dark side” aspects of the stock market that are worth considering:

Volatility: The stock market can be highly volatile, with prices fluctuating rapidly in response to changes in economic conditions, corporate earnings, and other factors. This can create a lot of uncertainty and anxiety for investors, especially those who are new to the market.

Risk of loss: When you invest in the stock market, there is always the risk that you could lose some or all of your money. Even well-established companies can experience declines in stock prices, and no investment is completely immune to the possibility of loss.

News Based Decision: In today's modern era the news is also play a vital role to take decision investor easily relied on news and invest in market, they didn't know the difference between expected or actual performance of stock.

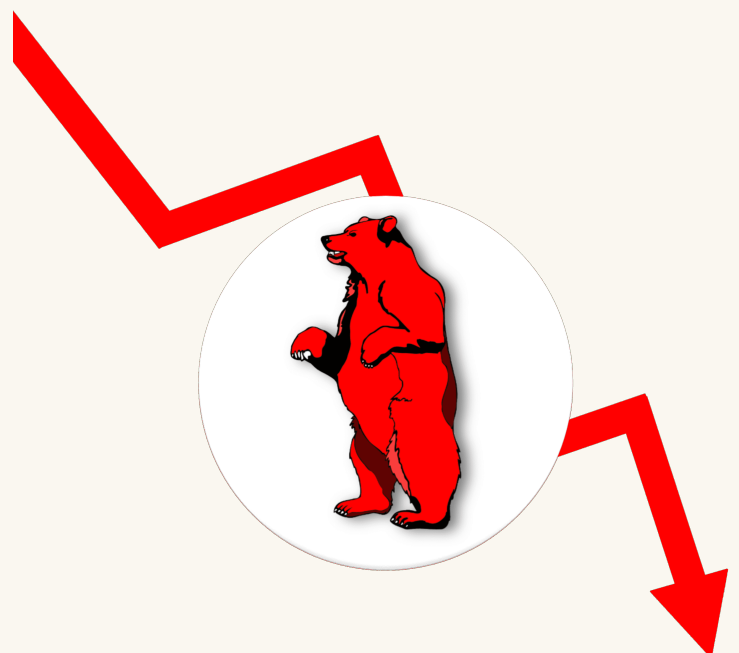
Manipulation and fraud: While there are regulations in place to prevent fraud and manipulation in the stock market, there are still cases where investors have been misled or defrauded by unscrupulous companies or individuals.


Herd mentality: Many investors tend to follow the crowd and make investment decisions based

on what others are doing, rather than conducting their own research and analysis. This can lead to “herd mentality” where everyone is investing in the same stocks, which can create bubbles and drive up prices to unsustainable levels.

Overconfidence and emotional biases: Many investors suffer from overconfidence and emotional biases, which can lead them to make poor investment decisions based on faulty reasoning or incomplete information.

It's important to keep in mind that the stock market is not a guaranteed path to wealth, and that investing always involves a degree of risk. It's important to do your research, set realistic expectations, and avoid making impulsive decisions based on fear, greed, or other emotions.





SPOM Exam Insights and Key Tips for CA Final Nov 2024 Aspirants



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Important Update regarding SPOM exams :

CA Rohi tRuwatia Agarwal, Central Council Member of ICAI updated that the SPOM exams had started on 25th May 2024, with the first day recording 66 students registering at 22 centres and 43 of them passing giving us a 65% pass percentage. SPOM Exams were conducted on 26th May 2024 as well.

Sir has also taken the time to give sound advice to the CA Final November 2024 aspirants. Since they are required to complete the learning hours and pass the exams before appearing for the CA Final exams in November, it is prudent to finish the SPOM tests well before say in June or July. As the lectures and exams rely on technology and a slew of other factors there can be no saying what kind of delay or problem a student might encounter.

This might cause major issues when left at the last minute risking the November attempt eligibility or throw a hamper in the preparation for the November exams. While the Institute is taking timely action on any technical issues or complaints, the CA Final November 2024 Aspirants should clear the SPOM lectures and exams as quickly as possible and focus on the November exams.

Self-Paced Online Modules exams :

The Computer-based SPOM tests are in the pattern of Case Scenario-based MCQs. Registration for the tests can be done using the SSP login credentials.

The candidates can select their preferred exam date, city and slot and upon paying examination fees of ₹ 500 successfully register for the Self-Paced Online Module (SPOM) test.

The fee is ₹ 850 for Nepal/Bhutan and \$150 for Abu Dhabi/Bahrain/Muscat/Kuwait/Doha

The Institute has stated that the SPOM exams will be conducted daily with time slots available for choosing by the candidate.

Some important points

- The result will be displayed immediately after the exam is completed.
- A minimum of 50% marks is required for the qualification in the exam.
- There is no restriction on the number of attempts for each module.
- There is no negative marking in the SPOM exam.
- The marks achieved in the SPOM exam will not be added to the marks obtained in the CA Final Examination.

SPOM are online modules to be completed and passed by a CA Final Student before attempting their Final examination. There are a total of 4 Sets :

Set A-Corporate and Economic Laws

Set B-Strategic Cost and Performance Management

Set C- Students can choose one of the following:

1. Risk Management
2. Sustainable Development and Sustainability Reporting
3. Public Finance and Government Accounting
4. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016
5. International Taxation
6. The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996
7. Forensic Accounting
8. Valuation
9. Financial Services and Capital Markets
10. Forex and Treasury Management

Set D- Students can choose one of the following:

1. The Constitution of India and Art of Advocacy
2. Psychology and Philosophy
3. Entrepreneurship and Start-up Ecosystem
4. Digital Ecosystem and Controls

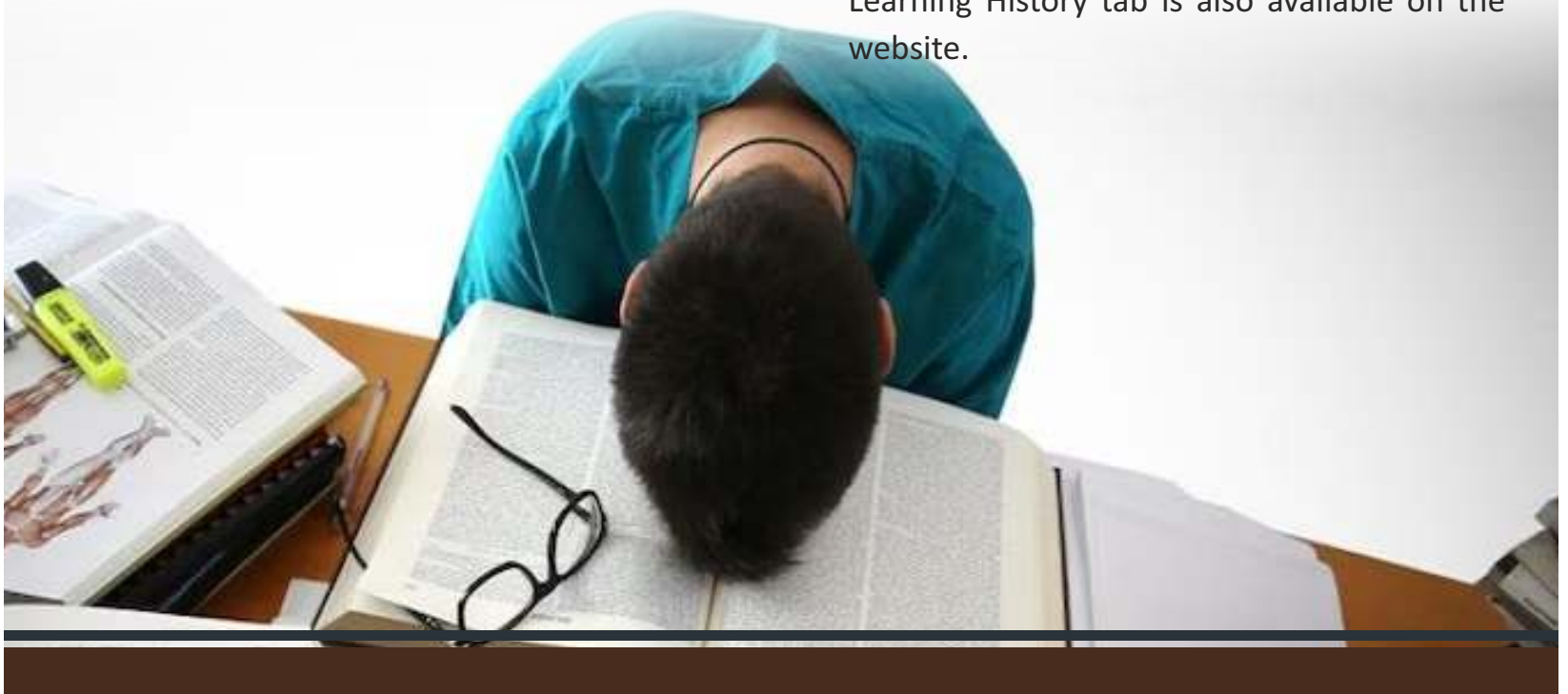
The students are required to attend a certain amount of time of online lectures in each Set before becoming eligible to attempt the examinations for the same. There are no additional fees to be paid for accessing the lectures. Students who have converted from the Old/Existing scheme are exempt from appearing in the Set C and Set D SPOM. As such Sets C and D in SPOM are only applicable to the students who

have registered under the New Scheme from the beginning of their CA journey. The duration of classes for Set A and Set B is 40 learning hours each. It is 20 hours each for Set C and Set D.

Criteria to access lectures :

The lectures can be accessed by [logging in on the website as long as the student has a:](#)

- Laptop/Desktop with a webcam, RAM 2GB or higher and Dual-core or higher processor (eg Inter i3 or AMD Ryzen 3)
- An Internet connection with a minimum speed of 2 to 5 Mbps.
- The system should be compatible with modern web browsers like Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Safari and Microsoft Edge.
- Ensure proper light so that the face detection on the platform automatically compares the student's face with the SSP profile photo.
- The student is to remain in the frame of the webcam during the SPOM lecture.
- Each lecture in a chapter can only be accessed sequentially by the student, ie the student can only access the next lecture in the chapter after completing the one before it in chronological order.
- There is a personalized dashboard to view progress for respective sets. A detailed Learning History tab is also available on the website.



Political Party Taxation



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Let's break down the rules for how political parties are taxed by CG. Basically, if a political party meets four specific conditions, all income earned is tax-free income. However, income from business or professional activities is still subject to taxes. This means that while political parties get relaxation on most of their income other than business income, As per Section 13A of the Income Tax Act, there are special provisions relating to the incomes of political parties regarding any income of a political party exempt in the course of "income from HP" or "income from O.S." and income from capital gain, but except "income from business or profession," some conditions are satisfied as per the below-mentioned:

1. Party keeps and maintains such books of account and other documents
2. In the case of voluntary contribution excess of INR 20 thousands such political party keeps and maintain record of such contribution and the name and address of the person who has made such contribution (except contribution received electoral bond)
3. Political party must get its books of accounts of audited by CA.
4. Donation is more than INR 2000/- is received only other than CASH.

Special point regarding Political party

1. Political party are compulsory required to file return up to the due date of return of filing U/s 139(4B) for avail exemption U/s 13A.

2. Treasurer of such political party or any other person authorized by that political party in this behalf fails to submit a report U/s 29C (3) of representation of the people Act, 1951 (43 of 1951) for a financial year, no exemption under this section shall available for that political party for such financial year.
3. If a company give donation to political party than company claims 100 % deduction in the U/s 80GGB but condition that this donation must be paid other than CASH.
4. If other than company (other assessee) give donation to political party than his claims 100 % deduction in the U/s 80GGC but condition that this donation must be paid other than CASH.

Conclusion :

At the end of this article, understanding the tax regulations governing political parties is important for both parties and donors. The Income Tax Act, Section 13A, outlines exact conditions that, if met, render a political party's income tax-exempt, with the exception of income derived from business or professional activities. Knowing these rules or this article helps to understand how to tax paid by a political party and in which section an assessee gets a deduction when he donates to a political party. This article is only for informational and educational purposes; however, it is advisable to consult with a tax professional for specific issues and challenges.

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