



SAVEETHA
SCHOOL OF LAW
(Approved by Bar Council of India)

nirf **19th**
RANK
(By MHRD, Govt. of India)
Among All IITs, IIMs, Central, State, Private & Deemed Universities in India



**Indian Council of Social Science Research
(ICSSR)**

Southern Regional Centre

Sponsored

A Two Day National Conference on
**"ONE NATION, ONE TAX : GST REFORMS &
ENTREPRENEURIAL GROWTH IN INDIA"**

Organised By

Department of Research and Development,
Saveetha School of Law (SSL) , SIMATS Chennai – 77 Tamilnadu.

18th & 19th June 2026 | M.M. Convention Hall, SIMATS.



SAVEETHA
INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL AND TECHNICAL SCIENCES
(Declared as Deemed to be University under Section 3 of UGC Act 1956)



About SIMATS

The Saveetha Medical and Educational Trust were established in 1986 with the primary objective of providing medical relief, promoting education, and encouraging research. In 1988, the Trust founded Saveetha Dental College along with an attached General Hospital. Subsequently, the Trust expanded its initiatives by establishing a Nursing College, Physiotherapy College, Occupational Therapy College, Law College, and an Engineering College, in order to comply with our commitment and to serve the people, particularly those residing in rural villages in and around Chennai and the adjoining districts of Tamil Nadu. SIMATS has been accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers and by the National Accreditation Board for Laboratories for RT-PCR testing for COVID-19. The institution has total student strength of 10,000, supported by 1,500 faculty members and approximately 2,500 non-teaching staff. SIMATS ranks among the top 10 Indian universities and achieved the 395th position globally in the 2020 UI Green Metric World University Rankings on Sustainability by the University of Indonesia, Jakarta. SIMATS has been recognized as a Social Entrepreneurship, Swachhta & Rural Engagement Cell (SES REC) Institution by the Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India. Recognized for its outstanding contributions, SIMATS secured the 11th rank in the university category in the NIRF 2024 rankings and is accredited with a NAAC A++ grade, further cementing its reputation as a premier institution driving intellectual and technological progress.

About Saveetha School of Law

Saveetha School of Law, Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences (SIMATS) established in 2009 aims to strive for Quality Legal Education and maintain higher standards of Legal Research and Training. The SSL is located close to the city in a serene atmosphere. We carry with us the vision of imparting excellence in legal education and our mission is to widen and nurture the intellectual faculty, leadership traits and personal development of young legal minds. Saveetha School of Law has earned widespread recognition for its excellence, ranking 19th in India and 1st in Tamil Nadu for three consecutive years, according to the NIRF 2025 rankings. Accredited by NAAC with an A++ grade, the school is also recognized by the Bar Council of India and approved by the UGC. Saveetha School of Law offers a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and Ph.D. programs to aspiring legal professionals. We offer the CBCS Curriculum with a range of regular and special subjects. Our system is fully digitized with Flipped Classes and I-books made available to students. We also provide sophisticated Air-Conditioned class rooms, smart boards with wi-fi services, experienced faculty, state of the art teaching methodology, library facilities with all the required books, cafeteria, hostel, playground and what not. We are no less in academics, regular tests and assessments, internship programmes on a one to one basis with advocates in High Court, Moot courts with regular sessions were organized. We also conduct moot court competitions and research programmes on a regular basis. Community services to create awareness on legal aspects of the problems of the common man are also our special feature.

About ICSSR-SRC

The Indian Council of Social Science Research –Southern Regional Centre (ICSSR-SRC) is a key institution dedicated to promoting and supporting social science research in the southern states of India, including Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, and Pondicherry. It functions as a regional hub for funding research projects, providing fellowships, organizing workshops and seminars, and facilitating collaboration among universities and research institutes. By strengthening research capacity, encouraging interdisciplinary studies, and disseminating findings through publications and policy briefs, ICSSR-SRC plays a vital role in advancing social science knowledge and addressing regional social, economic, and developmental issues.

About Conference

The implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on July 1, 2017, introduced the concept of “One Nation, One Tax,” transforming India’s indirect taxation system into a unified structure. By subsuming multiple central and state taxes, GST has simplified tax compliance, reduced inter-state trade barriers, and strengthened market integration. With over 1.4 crore registered taxpayers most of them MSMEs the reform has encouraged business formalization, enhanced digital compliance through the Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN), and improved transparency. While more developed states have leveraged GST to enhance competitiveness and expand market access, less-developed and rural regions continue to face challenges such as

compliance costs and limited digital infrastructure. Therefore, a critical academic discussion is essential to evaluate GST’s role in promoting inclusive entrepreneurship across Indian states. This seminar aims to examine the economic principles underlying the “One Nation, One Tax” system and to analyse the impact of GST reforms on entrepreneurship across various Indian states. It seeks to evaluate GST’s role in reducing trade barriers, improving MSME competitiveness, promoting business formalization, and enhancing access to institutional finance through digital integration. The seminar also focuses on identifying regional disparities and proposing policy measures to strengthen GST reforms in order to foster inclusive and equitable entrepreneurial growth.

Aim & Objectives

The aim of the Two-Day Conference on “One Nation, One Tax: GST Reforms and Their Role in Promoting Entrepreneurship across States in India” is to critically examine the economic foundations and policy outcomes of the Goods and Services Tax in creating a unified national market and fostering entrepreneurship across diverse Indian states. The seminar seeks to analyze the impact of GST reforms on MSMEs, start-ups, and micro enterprises by evaluating their role in reducing inter-state trade barriers, improving supply chain efficiency, promoting business formalization, enhancing digital compliance, and strengthening access to institutional finance. It also aims to identify regional disparities, compliance challenges, and digital infrastructure gaps faced by entrepreneurs in less-developed and rural regions, while exploring the implications of GST for women, rural, and marginalized entrepreneurs. Through scholarly deliberations, the seminar intends to generate policy insights and recommendations to strengthen GST reforms and promote inclusive, sustainable, and equitable entrepreneurial growth across India.

Theme of the Conference

The Two-Day National Conference on “One Nation, One Tax: GST Reforms and Entrepreneurial Growth in India” seeks to explore the transformative impact of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on India’s economic and entrepreneurial landscape. The conference theme focuses on the intersection of tax reforms, digital finance, regulatory compliance, and entrepreneurial development in India’s evolving economic ecosystem. This conference aims to provide a multidisciplinary platform to examine the legal, managerial, and socio-economic implications of GST reforms, especially in the context of digital transformation and cross-border business operations. Scholars, policymakers, industry professionals, and researchers will deliberate on how GST policies influence entrepreneurial growth, investment patterns, innovation, and the overall business environment in India.

Track – I GST Policy Framework and Fiscal Governance

Sub-Themes

- Constitutional framework of GST under the Constitution (101st Amendment)
- Policy reforms and future roadmap for GST in India
- GST and public finance management
- Fiscal federalism and Centre-State revenue sharing under GST

Track – II Legal Dimensions and Regulatory Challenges of GST

Sub Themes:

- Constitutional validity and legal challenges of GST provisions
- GST adjudication, appellate mechanisms, and tribunal reforms
- Role of judiciary in interpreting GST laws
- Harmonization of GST with other tax statutes and regulatory laws

Track – III GST, Digital Transformation, and Technology

Sub Themes

- Digital payment systems and GST compliance
- E-invoicing, e-way bills, and digital compliance systems
- Blockchain technology and transparent tax administration
- Artificial Intelligence and data analytics in GST enforcement

Track – IV Sectoral Impact of GST on the Indian Economy

Sub Themes

- GST and the manufacturing sector
- Impact of GST on agriculture and agri-business
- GST implications for the service sector
- Impact of GST on logistics and supply chain management

Call for Papers

The Organizing Committee invites scholars, academicians, researchers, industry professionals, policy makers, and students to submit original research papers for the Two-Day National Conference on "One Nation, One Tax: GST Reforms and Entrepreneurial Growth in India."

Guidelines for Paper Submission

- The full paper should not exceed 3,000 words, including an abstract of up to 350 words.
- All papers must follow the Harvard referencing style.
- The manuscript should be prepared in MS Word, using Times New Roman, 12-point font, with 1.5 line spacing, on A4 size paper.
- Presentation certificates will be issued only to participants who present their papers in person at the conference.
- The soft copy of the paper should be submitted via email to icssrsrssl2026@gmail.com on or before 30th May 2026.
- All submissions will be screened for plagiarism.

Publication of Papers

All accepted papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings (with ISBN) free of cost. Selected high-quality papers will be considered for publication in online **UGC CARE-listed, ABDC category journals, Web of Science, and Scopus-indexed journals**, subject to an additional publication fee as per the respective journal guidelines.

Conference Awards

The following awards will be announced and presented during the closing session of the conference:

- **Best Paper Award**
- **Best Presentation Award**

Selection Criteria for Awards

- Awards will be conferred upon the author(s) of papers presented at the conference, based on the evaluation conducted by the Program Committee and Session Chairs.
- The evaluation criteria will include both the quality of the paper (assessed during the review process) and the quality of the oral presentation (evaluated by the Session Chairs).
- Papers shortlisted for the Best Paper Award will be presented in special sessions scheduled on Day 1 of the conference.
- To be eligible for the Best Presentation Award, the paper must be presented solely by a student, although co-authorship with faculty members or scholars is permitted.

Important Dates

- Last Date for Submission of Abstract and Full Paper: 30 May 2026
- Confirmation of Acceptance: 05 June 2026
- Last Date for Registration: 10 June 2026
- Conference Dates: 18 – 19 June 2026
- Submit your paper at icssrsrssl2026@gmail.com

Note:

Please use a separate registration form (photocopy) for each participant. The registration fee includes the conference kit, food, and accommodation for outstation participants. No TA/DA will be provided.

Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/jUI5WKOmJNx2bQo8>

Whatsapp link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/CE7b7olwJn4FI10RsFK0xx?mode=hq1tcll>

Chief Patron

Dr. N.M. VEERAIYAN

Chancellor, SIMATS.

Patron

Prof. Dr. Asha Sundaram

Principal, Saveetha School of Law,
SIMATS.

Conference Convener

Dr. S. Thangamayan

Associate Professor & Head
Department of Research and Development
Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS.

Faculty Coordinators

Prof. Dr. Anju Mohan

Professor
Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS.

Dr. Aswathy Prakash G

Associate Professor
Saveetha School of Law, SIMATS.

Ph.D Scholar Coordinators

Ms. Rini Adiyattil

Ms. Vimala Rajagopal

Student Coordinators

Dharun Balaji, Harish Jayarajan

Santhosh Kumar G, Mouliswar Deva

Soundarya Saravanan, Sivadarshini M, S.Dhaneswar

Registration Fees Per Author

UG Students/ PG Students	₹ 725/-
Research Scholars	₹ 950/-
Faculty/Academicians	₹ 1250/-
Participation only	₹ 800/-
Industrialists	₹ 1000/-

Account Details

Account Holder Name	: SAVEETHA SCHOOL OF LAW CME
A/C TYPE	: CURRENT ACCOUNT
BANK NAME	: KARUR VYSYA BANK
A/C NUMBER	: 1248135000002593
IFSC	: KVBL0001248
BRANCH	: PH ROAD

For Further Details contact:

Dr. S. Thangamayan

Conference Convener

+91 7010576374 +91 9944786299

Email ID: icssrsrssl2026@gmail.com