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Results of the CAG–ICSSR Research Article Competition 2026

State Level

The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, in collaboration with the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), organised the CAG–ICSSR Research Article Competition 2026 to encourage academic research based on CAG Audit Reports. The State-level winners for Tamil Nadu are as follows.

Undergraduate and Postgraduate Category

Prize		Winner and Institution	Research Article Title
First Prize Rs. 75,000		**Ms. Preethi A**, is pursuing M.Com at Voorhees College, Vellore	The Cost of Operational Inefficiency: An Analysis of Financial Losses in a Navratna PSU
Second Prize Rs. 50,000		**Ms. Juno.A.M**, is pursuing M.Sc. (Agriculture) at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore	From Formal Devolution to Operational Empowerment: CAG Evidence on Local Governance in Tamil Nadu
Third Prize Rs. 25,000		**Ms. Boomika SN** is pursuing B.Tech (CSBS) at KGiSL Institute of Technology, Coimbatore	Certified but Unfounded: Data Integrity Failures in the Site-Selection Design of Tamil Nadu's Micro Composting Centre Scheme

Doctoral Category

Prize		Winner and Institution	Research Article Title
First Prize Rs. 75,000		**Shri. Arivazhagan G**, is pursuing PhD in Social Work at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli.	Investing in the Future: Budgetary Allocations, School Infrastructure and Learning Outcomes in Tamil Nadu
Second Prize Rs. 50,000		**Ms. Shri Abirami M V**, is pursuing PhD in Commerce at Shri Shankarlal Sundarbai Shasun Jain College for Women, Chennai.	Behavioral Governance in Public Commerce: The Impact of Public Highway Governance in Tamil Nadu on Road Infrastructure Quality
Joint Third Prize Rs. 12,500		**Shri. Muthukumar P**, is pursuing PhD in Social Work at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli.	From Financial Surplus to Welfare Deficit: An Empirical Governance Audit of Construction Workers' Social Protection in Tamil Nadu
Joint Third Prize Rs. 12,500		**Shri. Kumaraguru T**, is pursuing PhD in Commerce, School of Social Sciences and Languages, Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore	Revenue Performance and Compliance Governance in Tamil Nadu: An Analysis of the CAG Compliance Audit

The Third Prize of Rs. 25,000 in the Doctoral category is shared equally between the two joint winners, at Rs. 12,500 each.

All seven winners will receive a certificate in addition to the cash prize indicated against their names.

Congratulations to all the winners!

The prizes will be presented on the occasion of *Audit Diwas 2026 on 1st December 2026 at 3.30 PM* at Audit Bhawan, O/o the Principal Accountant General (A & E), 361, Anna Salai, Teynampet, Chennai-18

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