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Results of the CAG–ICSSR
Research Article Competition 2026

State Level

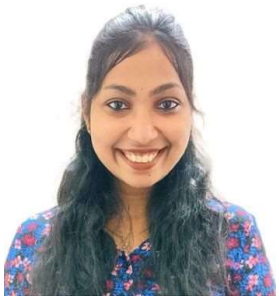
The Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, in collaboration with the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), organised the CAG–ICSSR Research Article Competition 2026 to encourage academic research based on CAG Audit Reports. The State Level winners are as follows.

Undergraduate and Postgraduate Category

Prize		**Winner and Institution**	**Research Article Title**
First Prize Rs. 75,000/-		**Ms. Pallavi S** Jyothy Institute of Commerce and Management Bengaluru	A study of student's awareness and perception of MSME as a career option
Second Prize Rs. 50,000/-		**Shri Krishna V Gowda** Vidyashilp University, Bengaluru	Alignment is not realignment: a post-audit test of KKRDB's geographic need responsiveness

Third Prize Rs. 25,000/-		**Ms Alhan Faiza SS** JSS Medical College, Mysore	Money Without Men, Buildings Without Care: A District-Level capacity gap analysis of Karnataka's Public Health System using CAG audit evidence (2016–22)

Doctoral Category

Prize		**Winner and Institution**	**Research Article Title**
First Prize Rs. 75,000/-		**Ms Sajida Begam** Yenepoya (Deemed to be University), Mangalore	Fiscal governance–implementation gap in smart city projects: Evidence from Karnataka
Joint Second Prize Rs. 16,666/-		**Dr. Sahaja Nagisetty** Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal	District-level health-system resource configurations in Karnataka: A multidimensional analysis of workforce vacancies and primary healthcare infrastructure
		**Shri Jay Indravadan Patel** Garden City University, Bengaluru	Public spending for rehabilitation in Karnataka: An assessment of physiotherapy availability, access and service-delivery gaps

		**Shri Pavan Kumar Thatoju** Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, Manipal Academy of Higher Education. Manipal	Beyond food grain distribution: A multidimensional assessment of supply chain, accountability, and control gaps in Karnataka's public distribution system

The Second Prize of Rs. 50,000 in the Doctoral category is shared equally between the three joint winners, at Rs. 16,666/- each.

All seven winners will receive a medal/memento and 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 closing ceremony of the Audit Diwas 2026 on 27th November 2026 at Bharat Scouts and Guides Auditorium, opposite to Maharani's College, Palace Road Bengaluru.
All prize winners are requested to report at the venue at 10.30 AM on 27.11.2026