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the returns under section 39 of the said Act for all the tax periods prior to the appointment of IRP/RP.";

- (ii) for the paragraph 2, with effect from the 21st March, 2020, the following paragraph shall be *substituted*, namely:—
- "2. Registration.—The said class of persons shall, with effect from the date of appointment of IRP/RP, be treated as a distinct person of the corporate debtor, and shall be liable to take a new registration (hereinafter referred to as the new registration) in each of the States or Union territories where the corporate debtor was registered earlier, within thirty days of the appointment of the IRP/RP or by 30th June, 2020, whichever is later.".

[F. No. CBEC-20/06/04/2020-GST]

Note: The principal notification was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) vide Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated the 21st March, 2020¹, published vide No. G. S. R. 194(E), dated the 21st March, 2020.

Extension of time-limit for completion or compliance of any action by any authority—Amendments (Central)

Notification No. 40/2020-Central Tax, dated 5th May, 2020²

G. S. R. 274(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 168A of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017)³ (hereafter in this notification referred to as the said Act), read with section 20 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017)⁴, and section 21 of Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (14 of 2017)⁵, the Central Government, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following amendment in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated the 3rd April, 2020⁶, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i), vide No. G. S. R. 235(E), dated the 3rd April, 2020₀, namely:—

In the said notification, in the first paragraph, in clause (ii), the following proviso shall be *inserted*, namely :—

"Provided that where an e-way bill has been generated under rule 138 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 on or before the

^{1.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 83.

^{2.} Gazette of India, Extry. No. 212, Part II, sec. 3(i), dated 5-5-2020, page 5.

^{3.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

^{4.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 397; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 148.

^{5.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 420; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 171.

^{6.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.

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24th day of March, 2020 and its period of validity expires during the period 20th day of March, 2020 to the 15th day of April, 2020, the validity period of such e-way bill shall be deemed to have been extended till the 31st day of May, 2020.".

[F. No. CBEC-20/06/04/2020-GST]

Note: The principal notification was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) vide Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated the 3rd April, 2020¹, published vide No. G. S. R. 235(E), dated the 3rd April, 2020.

Furnishing of e-annual return through common portal— Extension of time-limit (Central)

Notification No. 41/2020-Central Tax, dated 5th May, 2020²

G. S. R. 275(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017)³ (hereafter in this notification referred to as the said Act), read with rule 80 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017⁴ (hereafter in this notification referred to as the said rules), and in supersession of Notification No. 15/2020-Central Tax, dated the 23rd March, 2020⁵, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i), vide No. G. S. R. 198(E), dated the 23rd March, 2020, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Commissioner, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby extends the time-limit for furnishing of the annual return specified under section 44 of the said Act read with rule 80 of the said rules, electronically through the common portal, for the financial year 2018-2019 till the 30th September, 2020.

[F. No. CBEC-20/06/04/2020-GST]

E-filing of form GSTR-3B—Amendment (Central)

Notification No. 42/2020-Central Tax, dated 5th May, 2020⁶

G. S. R. 276(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 168 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017)³ read with sub-

^{1.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.

^{2.} Gazette of India, Extry. No. 212, Part II, sec. 3(i), dated 5-5-2020, page 5.

^{3.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

^{4.} See [2017] 45 GSTR (St.) 402.

^{5.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 86.

^{6.} Gazette of India, Extry. No. 212, Part II, sec. 3(i), dated 5-5-2020, page 7.

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rule (5) of rule 61 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017¹, the Commissioner, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following further amendments in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), No. 44/2019. Central Tax, dated the 9th October, 2019², published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) vide No. G. S. R. 767(E), dated the 9th October, 2019, namely:—

In the said notification, in the first paragraph, for the sixth proviso, the following provisos shall be *substituted*, namely :—

"Provided also that the return in Form GSTR-3B of the said rules for the months of November, 2019 to February, 2020 for registered persons whose principal place of business is in the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir, shall be furnished electronically through the common portal, on or before the 24th March, 2020 :

Provided also that the return in Form GSTR-3B of the said rules for the months of November, 2019 to December, 2019 for registered persons whose principal place of business is in the Union Territory of Ladakh, shall be furnished electronically through the common portal, on or before the 24th March, 2020 :

Provided also that the return in Form GSTR-3B of the said rules for the months of January, 2020 to March, 2020 for registered persons whose principal place of business is in the Union territory of Ladakh, shall be furnished electronically through the common portal, on or before the 20th May, 2020.".

2. This notification shall be deemed to come into force with effect from the 24th day of March, 2020.

[F. No. CBEC-20/06/04/2020-GST]

Note: The principal Notification No. 44/2019-Central Tax, dated the 9th October, 2019, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) vide No. G. S. R. 767(E), dated the 9th October, 2019 and was last amended by Notification No. 25/2020-Central Tax, dated the 23rd March, 2020³, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i) vide No. G. S. R. 208(E), dated the 23rd March, 2020.

^{1.} See [2017] 45 GSTR (St.) 402.

^{2.} See [2019] 70 GSTR (St.) 6.

^{3.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 98.

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Date of coming into force of certain provisions of the Finance Act, 2020 (Central)

Notification No. 43/2020-Central Tax, dated 16th May, 20201

G. S. R. 299(E).— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 1 of the Finance Act, 2020 (12 of 2020)² (hereafter in this notification referred to as the said Act), the Central Government hereby appoints the 18th day of May, 2020, as the date on which the provisions of section 128 of the said Act, shall come into force.

[F. No. CBEC-20/06/09/2019-GST]

CIRCULAR (Central)

Circular No. 130/49/2019-GST, dated December 31, 2019

Subject: Reverse charge mechanism (RCM) on renting of motor vehicles—Regarding

Suppliers of service by way of renting of any motor vehicle designed to carry passengers where the cost of fuel is included in the consideration charged from the service recipient have an option to pay GST either at five per cent. with limited ITC (of input services in the same line of business) or 12 per cent. with full ITC.

2. The GST Council in its 37th Meeting dated September 20, 2019 examined the request to place the supply of renting of motor vehicles under RCM and recommended that the said supply when provided by suppliers paying GST at five per cent. to corporate entities may be placed under RCM. RCM was not recommended for suppliers paying GST at 12 per cent. with full ITC, so that they may have the option to continue to avail ITC. RCM otherwise would have blocked the ITC chain for them. Accordingly, the following entry was inserted in the RCM notification with effect from October 1, 2019:

Sl. No.	Category of supply of services	Supplier of service	Recipient of service	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
15.	way of renting of a motor vehicle pro-	Any person other than a body corporate, paying central tax at the rate of 2.5% on renting of motor vehicles with input tax credit only of input service in the same line of business	located in the taxable	

^{1.} Gazette of India, Extry. No. 225, Part II, sec. 3(i), dated 16-5-2020, page 2.

^{2.} See[2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 1.

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- 3. Post issuance of the notification, references have been received stating that when a service is covered by RCM, GST would be paid by the service recipient and not by the supplier. Therefore, the wording of the notification that "any person other than a body corporate, paying central tax at the rate of 2.5 per cent." is not free from doubt and needs amendment/clarification from the perspective of drafting.
- 4. The matter has been examined. When any service is placed under RCM, the supplier shall not charge any tax from the service recipient as this is the settled procedure in law under RCM. There are only two rates applicable on the service of renting of vehicles, five per cent. with limited ITC and 12 per cent. with full ITC. The only interpretation of the notification entry in question which is not absurd would be that—
- (i) where the supplier of the service charges GST at 12 per cent. from the service recipient, the service recipient shall not be liable to pay GST under RCM; and
- (ii) where the supplier of the service doesn't charge GST at 12 per cent. from the service recipient, the service recipient shall be liable to pay GST under RCM.
- 5. Though a supplier providing the service to a body corporate under RCM may still be paying GST at five per cent. on the services supplied to other non-body corporate clients, to bring in greater clarity, Serial No. 15 of Notification No. 13/2017-CT(R), dated June 28, 2017¹ has been amended vide Notification No. 29/2019-CT(R), dated December 31, 2019² to state that RCM shall be applicable on the service by way of renting of any motor vehicle designed to carry passengers where the cost of fuel is included in the consideration charged from the service recipient only if the supplier fulfils all the following conditions:
 - (a) is other than a body-corporate;
- (b) does not issue an invoice charging GST at 12 per cent. from the service recipient; and
 - (c) supplies the service to a body corporate.
- 6. It may be noted that the present amendment of the notification is merely clarificatory in nature and therefore for the period October 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 also, clarification given at para 5 above shall apply, as any other interpretation shall render the RCM notification for the said service unworkable for that period.

^{1.} See [2017] 46 GSTR (St.) 218.

^{2.} See [2020] 73 GSTR (St.) 5.

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7. Difficulty if any, in the implementation of this circular may be brought to the notice of the Board.

OSD, TRU [F. No. 354/189/2019-TRU]

Circular No. 131/1/2020-GST, dated 23rd January, 2020

Subject: Standard operating procedure (SOP) to be followed by exporters—Regarding

As you are aware, several cases of monetisation of credit fraudulently obtained or ineligible credit through refund of Integrated Goods and Services Tax (IGST) on exports of goods have been detected in past few months. On verification, several such exporters were found to be non-existent in a number of cases. In all these cases it has been found that the input tax credit (ITC) was taken by the exporters on the basis of fake invoices and IGST on exports was paid using such ITC.

- 2. To mitigate the risk, the Board has taken measures to apply stringent risk parameters-based checks driven by rigorous data analytics and artificial intelligence tools based on which certain exporters are taken up for further verification. Overall, in a broader time frame the percentage of such exporters selected for verification is a small fraction of the total number of exporters claiming refunds. The refund scrolls in such cases are kept in abeyance till the verification report in respect of such cases is received from the field formations. Further, the export consignments/shipments of concerned exporters are subjected to 100 per cent. examination at the customs port.
- 3. While the verifications are caused to mitigate risk, it is necessary that genuine exporters do not face any hardship. In this context it is advised that exporters whose scrolls have been kept in abeyance for verification would be informed at the earliest possible either by the jurisdictional CGST or by customs. To expedite the verification, the exporters on being informed in this regard or on their own volition should fill in information in the format attached as annexure "A" to this circular and submit the same to their jurisdictional CGST authorities for verification by them. If required, the jurisdictional authority may seek further additional information for verification. However, the jurisdictional authorities must adhere to time lines prescribed for verification.
- 3.1 Verification shall be completed by jurisdiction CGST office within 14 working days of furnishing of information in proforma by the exporter.

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If the verification is not completed within this period, the jurisdiction officer will bring it the notice of a nodal cell to be constituted in the Jurisdictional Pr. Chief Commissioner/Chief Commissioner Office.

- 3.2 After a period of 14 working days from the date of submission of details in the prescribed format, the exporter may also escalate the matter to the jurisdictional Pr. Chief Commissioner/Chief Commissioner of Central Tax by sending an e-mail to the Chief Commissioner concerned (email IDs of jurisdictional Chief Commissioners are in annexure B).
- 3.3 The Jurisdictional Pr. Chief Commissioner/Chief Commissioner of Central Tax should take appropriate action to get the verification completed within next seven working days.
- 4. In case, any refund remains pending for more than one month, the exporter may register his grievance at *www.cbic.gov.in/issue* by giving all relevant details like GSTIN, IEC, shipping bill No., port of export and CGST formation where the details in prescribed format had been submitted, etc. All such grievances shall be examined by a committee headed by member GST, CBIC for resolution of the issue.
- 5. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular. Difficulty, if any, in implementation of this circular may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner [CBEC-20/16/07/2020-GST]

Annexure A

The details to be provided by the exporter for verification:

- I. GST related data:
 - 1. GSTIN:
- 2. Please provide the following details if the proprietor/director/partner of this entity is also associated with other entities.

Sl. No.	Name of director/ partner/proprietor	Name of the other entity associated with	PAN (DIN if director) GSTIN	Registration status (active /inactive)
1.				
2.				
3.				

3. Turnover of previous financial year : (For new entity till date current financial year turnover, if any)

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4. Details of GST liability:

Sl. No.	Return type	Declared aggregate liability for previous financial year	Declared aggregate liability for current financial year		
1.	GSTR 3B				
2.	GSTR 1				

5. Details of ITC:

Financial year	ITC available in GSTR-2A	ITC availed in GSTR-3B	Mismatch	Details of payment or reversal of mismatched ITC
2017-18				
2018-19				
2019-20				

6. Details of refund claimed in previous financial year and current financial year :

Sl. No.	GSTIN	Type of refund	ARN No. and date	Amount		Authority from which refund claimed
				Claimed	Sanctioned	

7. Summary of e-way bills generated for relevant period :

Sl. No.	Supplies	No of E way bill generated	HSNs	Taxable amount
1	Inward			
2	Outward			

II. Financial data

1. Bank account details including the bank accounts of proprietor/partner/directors :

Sl. No.	Account number	IFSC code	Account type	,	,	Date of opening of bank account

- 2. Bank account statement of past six months in respect of the bank accounts provided above.
- 3. BRCs/FIRCs evidencing receipt of foreign remittances against the exports made in past one year.
- $4.\ \mbox{Bank}$ letter for up to date KYC of all bank accounts provided above.

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5. Top 5 creditors and debtors (with GSTIN) from account(s) where refunds are proposed to be received and from which major business transactions (payments for supplies and receipts) are carried out.

III. Additional data:

- 1. Copy of PAN.
- 2. Copy of IEC.
- 3. Certificate of incorporation or partnership deed.
- 4. Rent agreement of all premises along with geo-tagged photos.
- 5. Telephone bill of past three months for all premises.
- 6. Electricity bill of past three months for all premises.
- 7. Number of employees and the statement of PF evidencing employees.
 - 8. Copy of the following schedules of the latest income-tax return:
- (i) Computation of depreciation on plant and machinery under the Income-tax Act.
- (ii) Computation of depreciation on other assets under the Income-tax Act.
- (iii) Summary of depreciation on all the assets under the Incometax Act.

Annexure B Following are the official e-mail IDs of Pr. Chief Commissioner's/Chief Commissioner's office of CGST zones under CBIC :

Sl. No.	Name of zone	Email ID
1.	Ahmedabad	ccu-cexamd@nic.in
2.	Bengaluru	ccbz-excise@nic.in
3.	Bhopal	ccu-cexbpl@nic.in
4.	Bhubaneshwar	ccu-cexbbr@nic.in
5.	Chandigarh	ccu-cexchd@nic.in
6.	Chennai	ccu-cexchn@nic.in
7.	Cochin	cccochin@nic.in
8.	Delhi	ccu-cexdel@nic.in
9.	Hyderabad	ccu-cexhyd@nic.in
10.	Jaipur	ccu-cexjpr@nic.in
11.	Kolkata	ccu-cexkoa@nic.in
12.	Lucknow	ccu-cexlko@nic.in
13.	Meerut	ccu-cexmeerut@nic.in
14.	Mumbai	ccu-cexmum1@nic.in

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15.	Nagpur	ccu-cexngpr@nic.in		
16.	Panchkula	cco.gstpkl@gov.in		
17.	Pune	ccu-cexpune@nic.in		
18.	Ranchi	ccu-cexranchi@nic.in		
19.	Shillong	ccu-cexshlng@nic.in		
20.	Vadodara	ccu-cexvdr@nic.in		
21.	Vishakhapatnam	ccu-cexvzg@nic.in		

Circular No. 132/2/2020-GST, dated 18th March, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of appeal in regard to nonconstitution of Appellate Tribunal—Regarding

Various representations have been received wherein the issue has been decided against the registered person by the adjudicating authority or refund application has been rejected by the appropriate authority and appeal against the said order is pending before the appellate authority. It has been gathered that the appellate process is being kept pending by several appellate authorities on the grounds that the Appellate Tribunal has been not constituted and that till such time no remedy is available against their order-in-appeal, such appeals cannot be disposed. Doubts have been raised across the field formations in respect of the appropriate procedure to be followed in absence of Appellate Tribunal for appeal to be made under section 112 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017¹ (hereinafter referred to as the "CGST Act").

- 2. The matter has been examined in detail. In order to clarify the issue and to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred by section 168(1) of the CGST Act, hereby issues the following clarifications and guidelines.
- 3.1 Appeal against an adjudicating authority is to be made as per the provisions of section 107 of the CGST Act. The sub-section (1) of the section reads as follows:

"107.(1) Any person aggrieved by any decision or order passed under this Act or the State Goods and Services Tax Act or the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act by an adjudicating authority may appeal to such appellate authority as may be prescribed within three months from the date on which the said decision or order is communicated to such person."

^{1.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

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- 3.2 Relevant rules have been prescribed for implementation of the above section. The relevant rule for the same is rule 109A of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 which reads as follows:
- "109A. Appointment of appellate authority.—(1) Any person aggrieved by any decision or order passed under this Act or the State Goods and Services Tax Act or the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act may appeal to—
- (a) the Commissioner (Appeals) where such decision or order is passed by the Additional or Joint Commissioner;
- (b) any officer not below the rank of Joint Commissioner (Appeals) where such decision or order is passed by the Deputy or Assistant Commissioner or Superintendent,

within three months from the date on which the said decision or order is communicated to such person."

- 3.3 Hence, if the order has been passed by Deputy or Assistant Commissioner or Superintendent, appeal has to be made to the appellate authority appointed who would not be an officer below the rank of Joint Commissioner. Further, if the order has been passed by Additional or Joint Commissioner, appeal has to be made to the Commissioner (Appeal) appointed for the same.
- 4.1 The appeal against the order passed by appellate authority under section 107 of the CGST Act lies with Appellate Tribunal. Relevant provisions for the same is mentioned in the section 112 of the CGST Act which reads as follows:
- "112(1) Any person aggrieved by an order passed against him under section 107 or section 108 of this Act or the State Goods and Services Tax Act or the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act may appeal to the Appellate Tribunal against such order within three months from the date on which the order sought to be appealed against is communicated to the person preferring the appeal."
- 4.2 The Appellate Tribunal has not been constituted in view of the order by the Madras High Court in case of *Revenue Bar Association* v. *Union of India* [2019] 70 GSTR 277 (Mad) and therefore the appeal cannot be filed within three months from the date on which the order sought to be appealed against is communicated. In order to remove difficulty arising in giving effect to the above provision of the Act, the Government, on the recommendations of the council, has issued *the Central Goods and Services Tax* (*Ninth Removal of Difficulties*) *Order*, 2019, *dated December 3*, 2019¹.

^{1.} See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 52.

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It has been provided through the said order that the appeal to Tribunal can be made within three months (six months in case of appeals by the Government) from the date of communication of order or date on which the President or the State President, as the case may be, of the Appellate Tribunal enters office, whichever is later.

- 4.3 Hence, as of now, the prescribed time-limit to make application to Appellate Tribunal will be counted from the date on which President or the State President enters office. The appellate authority while passing order may mention in the preamble that appeal may be made to the Appellate Tribunal whenever it is constituted within three months from the President or the State President enters office. Accordingly, it is advised that the appellate authorities may dispose all pending appeals expeditiously without waiting for the constitution of the Appellate Tribunal.
- 5. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 6. Difficulty, if any, in implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner (GST) [CBEC-20/16/15/2018-GST]

Circular No. 133/03/2020-GST, dated 23rd March, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of apportionment of input tax credit (ITC) in cases of business reorganization under section 18(3) of CGST Act read with rule 41(1) of CGST Rules—Regarding

Representations have been received from various taxpayers seeking clarification in respect of apportionment and transfer of ITC in the event of merger, demerger, amalgamation or change in the constitution/ownership of business. Certain doubts have been raised regarding the interpretation of sub-section (3) of section 18 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017¹ (hereinafter referred to as the CGST Act) and sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017² (hereinafter referred to as the CGST Rules) in the context of business reorganization.

2. According to sub-section (3) of section 18 of the CGST Act,—

"Where there is a change in the constitution of a registered person on account of sale, merger, demerger, amalgamation, lease or transfer of the

^{1.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

^{2.} See [2017] 45 GSTR (St.) 402.

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business with the specific provisions for transfer of liabilities, the said registered person shall be allowed to transfer the input tax credit which remains unutilized in his electronic credit ledger to such sold, merged, demerged, amalgamated, leased or transferred business in such manner as may be prescribed."

Further, according to sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules:

"A registered person shall, in the event of sale, merger, de-merger, amalgamation, lease or transfer or change in the ownership of business for any reason, furnish the details of sale, merger, de-merger, amalgamation, lease or transfer of business, in Form GST ITC-02, electronically on the common portal along with a request for transfer of unutilized input tax credit lying in his electronic credit ledger to the transferee:

Provided that in the case of demerger, the input tax credit shall be apportioned in the ratio of the value of assets of the new units as specified in the demerger scheme.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule, it is hereby clarified that the '"value of assets' means the value of the entire assets of the business, whether or not input tax credit has been availed thereon."

3. The issues raised in various representations have been analyzed in the light of various legal provisions under GST. In order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 168 of the CGST Act clarifies the issues involved in the Table below:

Sl. No.	Issue/question	Clarification	Issue/question
a.	(i) In case of demerger, proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules provides that the input tax credit shall be apportioned in the ratio of the value of assets of the new units as specified in the demerger scheme. However, it is not clear as to whether the value of assets of the new units is to be considered at State level or at all-India level.	Proviso to sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules provides for apportionment of the input tax credit in the ratio of the value of assets of the new units as specified in the demerger scheme. Further, the explanation to sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules states that "value of assets" means the value of the entire assets of the business, whether or not input tax credit has been availed thereon. Under the provisions of the CGST Act, a person/company (having same PAN) is required to obtain separate registration in different States and each such registration is considered a distinct person for the purpose of the Act. Accordingly, for the purpose of apportionment of ITC pursuant to a demerger under sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, the value of assets of the new units is to be taken at the State level (at the level of distinct person) and not at the all-India level.	ger, proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules provides that the input tax credit shall be apportioned in the ratio of the value of assets of the new units as specified in the demerger scheme. However, it is not clear as to whether the value of assets of the new units is to be considered at State level

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Illustration A company XYZ is registered in two States of M. P. and U. P. Its total value of assets is worth Rs. 100 crore, while its assets in State of M. P. and U. P. are Rs. 60 crore and Rs. 40 crore respectively. It demerges a part of its business to company ABC. As a part of such demerger, assets of XYZ amounting to Rs. 30 crore are transferred to company ABC in State of M. P., while assets amounting to Rs. 10 crore only are transferred to ABC in State of U. P. (Total assets amounting to Rs. 40 crore at all-India level are transferred from XYZ to ABC). The unutilized ITC of XYZ in State of M. P. shall be transferred to ABC on the basis of ratio of value of assets in State of M. P., i. e., 30/60 = 0.5 and not on the basis of all-India ratio of value of assets, i. e., 40/100=0.4. Similarly, unutilized ITC of XYZ in State of U. P. will be transferred to ABC in ratio of value of assets in State of U. P., i. e., 10/40 = 0.25.

(ii) Is the transferor required to file *Form GST ITC*–02 in all States where it is registered?

No. The transferor is required to file *Form GST ITC-02* only in those States where both transferor and transferee are registered.

The proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules explicitly mentions 'demerger'. Other forms of business reorganization where part of business is hived off or business in transferred as a going concern, etc. have not been covered in the said rule. Wherever business reorganization results in partial transfer of business assets along with liabilities, whether the proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules, 2017 shall be applicable to calculate the amount of transferable ITC?

Yes, the formula for apportionment of ITC, as prescribed under proviso to sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, shall be applicable for all forms of business re-organization that results in partial transfer of business assets along with liabilities.

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c. (i) Whether the ratio of value of assets, as prescribed under proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules, shall be applied in respect of each of the heads of input tax credit, viz., CGST/SGST/IGST/cess?

No, the ratio of value of assets, as prescribed under proviso to sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, shall be applied to the total amount of unutilized input tax credit (ITC) of the transferor, i.e., sum of CGST, SGST/UTGST and IGST credit. The said formula need not be applied separately in respect of each heads of ITC (CGST/SGST/IGST). Further, the said formula shall also be applicable for apportionment of cess between the transferor and transferee.

Illustration A: The ITC balances of transferor X in the State of Maharashtra under CGST, SGST and IGST heads are 5 lakh, 5 lakh and 10 lakh respectively. Pursuant to a scheme of demerger, X transfers 60% of its assets to transferee B. Accordingly, the amount of ITC to be transferred from A to B shall be 60% of 20 lakh (total sum of CGST, SGST and IGST credit), i. e., 12 lakh.

(ii) How to determine the amount of ITC that is to be transferred to the transferee under each tax head (IGST/CGST/SGST) while filing of *Form GST ITC-02* by the transferor?

The total amount of ITC to be transferred to the transferee (i. e., sum of CGST, SGST/UTGST and IGST credit) should not exceed the amount of ITC to be transferred, as determined under sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules (refer 3(c)(i) above). However, the transferor shall be at liberty to determine the amount to be transferred under each tax head (IGST, CGST, SGST/UTGST) within this total amount, subject to the ITC balance available with the transferor under the concerned tax head. This is shown in the illustration below:

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
State	Asset	Tax	ITC balance	Total	ITC balance
	ratio	heads	of transfer-	amount of	oftransferor
	of		or (pre-	ITC trans-	(post-
	trans-		apportion-	ferred to the	apportion-
	feree		ment) as on	transferee	ment) after
			the date of	under Form	filing of
			filing Form	GST ITC-02	Form GST
			GST ITC-	ITC balance	ITC-02)
			02)	of transfe-	(Col (4) –
				ror (post-	Col (5))
				apportion-	
				ment) after	
				filing of	
				Form GST	
				ITC-02)	
Delhi	70%	CGST	10,00,000	10,00,000	0
		SGST	10,00,000	10,00,000	0
		IGST	30,00,000	15,00,000	15,00,000
		Total	50,00,000	35,00,000	15,00,000

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	Har- yana	40%	CGST	25,00,000	3,00,000	22,00,000
			SGST	25,00,000	5,00,000	20,00,000
			IGST	20,00,000	20,00,000	0
			Total	70,00,000	28,00,000	42,00,000

(i) In order to calculate the amount of transferable ITC, the apportionment formula under proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules has to be applied to the unutilized ITC balance of the transferor. However, it is not clear as to which date shall be relevant calculate amount of unutilized ITC balance of transferor

According to sub-section (3) of section 18 of the CGST Act, "Where there is a change in the constitution of a registered person on account of sale, merger, demerger, amalgamation, lease or transfer of the business with the specific provisions for transfer of liabilities, the said registered person shall be allowed to transfer the input tax credit which remains unutilized in his electronic credit ledger to such sold, merged, demerged, amalgamated, leased or transferred business in such manner as may be prescribed." Further, sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules prescribes that the registered person shall file the details in Form GST ITC-02 for transfer of unutilized input tax credit lying in his electronic credit ledger to the transferee.

A conjoint reading of sub-section (3) of section 18 of the CGST Act along with sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules would imply that the apportionment formula shall be applied on the ITC balance of the transferor as available in electronic credit ledger on the date of filing of *Form GST ITC-02* by the transferor.

(ii) Which date shall be relevant to calculate the ratio of value of assets, as prescribed in the proviso to rule 41(1) of the CGST Rules, 2017? According to section 232(6) of the Companies Act, 2013, "The scheme under this section shall clearly indicate an appointed date from which it shall be effective and the scheme shall be deemed to be effective from such date and not at a date subsequent to the appointed date". The said legal provision appears to indicate that the "appointed date of demerger" is the date from which the scheme for demerger comes into force and it is specified in the respective scheme of demerger. Therefore, for the purpose of apportionment of ITC under sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, the ratio of the value of assets should be taken as on the "appointed date of demerger".

In other words, for the purpose of apportionment of ITC under sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, while the ratio of the value of assets should be taken as on the "appointed date of demerger", the said ratio is to be applied on the ITC balance of the transferor on the date of filing *Form GST ITC-02* to calculate the amount to transferable ITC.

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4. Difficulty, if any, in implementation of the circular may be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner [F. No. CBEC-20/06/13/2019-GST]

Circular No. 134/04/2020-GST, dated 23rd March, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of issues under GST law for companies under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016—Regarding

Various representations have been received from the trade and industry seeking clarification on issues being faced by entities covered under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the "IBC").

- 2. As per IBC, once an entity defaults certain threshold amount, Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (hereafter referred to as "CIRP") gets triggered and the management of such entity (corporate debtor) and its assets vest with an interim resolution professional (hereafter referred to as "IRP") or resolution professional (hereafter referred to as "RP"). It continues to run the business and operations of the said entity as a going concern till the insolvency proceeding is over and an order is passed by the National Company Law Tribunal (hereinafter referred to as the "NCLT")
- 3. To address the aforementioned problems, Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020¹ has been issued by the Government prescribing special procedure under section 148 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the "CGST Act") for the corporate debtors who are undergoing CIRP under the provisions of IBC and the management of whose affairs are being undertaken by IRP/RP. In order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the CGST Act hereby clarifies various issues in the Table below:

Sl. No.	Issue	Clarification
1.		In accordance with the provisions of the IBC and various legal pronouncements on the issue, no coercive action can be taken against the corporate debtor with respect to the dues for period prior to insolvency commencement date. The dues of the

^{1.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 83.

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		period prior to the commencement of CIRP will be treated as 'operational debt' and claims may be filed by the proper officer before the NCLT in accordance with the provisions of the IBC. The tax officers shall seek the details of supplies made/received and total tax dues pending from the corporate debtor to file the claim before the NCLT. Moreover, section 14 of the IBC mandates the
		imposition of a moratorium period, wherein the institution of suits or continuation of pending suits or proceedings against the corporate debtor is prohibited.
2.	Should the GST registration of corporate debtor be cancelled?	It is clarified that the GST registration of an entity for which CIRP has been initiated should not be cancelled under the provisions of section 29 of the CGST Act, 2017. The proper officer may, if need be, suspend the registration. In case the registration of an entity undergoing CIRP has already been cancelled and it is within the period of revocation of cancellation of registration, it is advised that such cancellation may be revoked by taking appropriate steps in this regard.
3.	Is IRP/RP liable to file returns of pre-CIRP period?	No. In accordance with the provisions of IBC, 2016, the IRP/RP is under obligation to comply with all legal requirements <i>for period after the insolvency commencement date</i> . Accordingly, it is clarified that IRP/RP are not under an obligation to file returns of pre-CIRP period.
		During CIRP period
4.	Should a new registration be taken by the corporate debtor during the CIRP period?	The corporate debtor who is undergoing CIRP is to be treated as a distinct person of the corporate debtor and shall be liable to take a new registration in each State or Union territory where the corporate debtor was registered earlier, within thirty days of the appointment of the IRP/RP. Further, in cases where the IRP/RP has been appointed prior to the issuance of Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020¹, he shall take registration within thirty days of issuance of the said notification, with effect from date of his appointment as IRP/RP.
5.	How to file first return after obtaining new registration?	The IRP/RP will be liable to furnish returns, make payment of tax and comply with all the provisions of the GST law during CIRP period. The IRP/RP is required to ensure that the first return is filed under

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6.	How to avail ITC for invoi-	section 40 of the CGST Act, for the period beginning the date on which it became liable to take registration till the date on which registration has been granted. The special procedure issued under section 148 of
	ces issued to the erstwhile registered person in case the IRP/RP has been appointed	the CGST Act has provided the manner of availment of ITC while furnishing the first return under section 40.
	before issuance of Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020 ¹ and no return has been filed by the IRP during the CIRP?	The said class of persons shall, in his first return, be eligible to avail input tax credit on invoices covering the supplies of goods or services or both, received since appointment as IRP/RP and during the CIRP period but bearing the GSTIN of the erstwhile registered person, subject to the conditions of
		Chapter V of the CGST Act and rule made there- under, except the provisions of sub-section (4) of section 16 of the CGST Act and sub-rule (4) of rule 36 of the CGST Rules. In terms of the special procedure under section 148 of the CGST Act issued vide Notifica- tion No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020¹. This exception is made only for the first return filed under section 40 of the CGST Act.
7.	How to avail ITC for invoices by persons who are availing supplies from the corporate debtors undergoing CIRP, in cases where the IRP/RP was appointed before the issuance of the Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020 ¹ ?	Registered persons who are receiving supplies from the said class of persons shall, for the period from the date of appointment of IRP/RP till the date of registration as required in this notification or 30 days from the date of this notification, whichever is earlier, be eligible to avail input tax credit on invoices issued using the GSTIN of the erstwhile registered person, subject to the conditions of Chapter V of the CGST Act and rule made thereunder, except the provisions of sub-rule (4) of rule 36 of the CGST Rules.
8.	Some of the IRP/RPs have made deposit in the cash ledger of erstwhile registration of the corporate debtor. How to claim refund for amount deposited in the cash ledger by the IRP/RP?	Any amount deposited in the cash ledger by the IRP/RP, in the existing registration, from the date of appointment of IRP/RP to the date of notification specifying the special procedure for corporate debtors undergoing CIRP, shall be available for refund to the erstwhile registration under the head refund of cash ledger, even though the relevant <i>Form GSTR-3B/GSTR-1</i> are not filed for the said period. The instructions contained in Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019 ² stands modified to this extent.

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1. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 83.

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- 2. See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 11.
- 4. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 5. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner (GST)

[CBEC-20/16/12/2020-GST]

Circular No. 135/05/2020-GST, dated 31st March, 2020

Subject: Clarification on refund related issues-Regarding

Various representations have been received seeking clarification on some of the issues relating to GST refunds. In order to clarify these issues and to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of law in this regard across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred by section 168(1) of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017¹ (hereinafter referred to as "CGST Act"), hereby clarifies the issues detailed hereunder:

2. Bunching of refund claims across financial years

2.1 It may be recalled that the restriction on clubbing of tax periods across different financial years was put in vide para 11.2 of Circular No. 37/11/2018-GST, dated March 15, 2018². The said circular was rescinded being subsumed in the master circular on refunds No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019³ and the said restriction on the clubbing of tax periods across financial years for claiming refund thus has been continued vide paragraph 8 of the Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019³, which is reproduced as under:

"8. The applicant, at his option, may file a refund claim for a tax period or by clubbing successive tax periods. The period for which refund claim has been filed, however, cannot spread across different financial years. Registered persons having aggregate turnover of up to Rs. 1.5 crore in the preceding financial year or the current financial year opting to file Form GSTR-1 on quarterly basis, can only apply for refund on a quarterly basis or clubbing successive quarters as aforesaid. However, refund claims under categories listed at (a), (c) and (e) in para 3 above must be filed by the

^{1.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

^{2.} See [2018] 51 GSTR (St.) 190.

^{3.} See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 11.

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applicant chronologically. This means that an applicant, after submitting a refund application under any of these categories for a certain period, shall not be subsequently allowed to file a refund claim under the same category for any previous period. This principle/limitation, however, shall not apply in cases where a fresh application is being filed pursuant to a deficiency memo having been issued earlier."

- 2.2 The honourable Delhi High Court in order dated January 21, 2020, in the case of *Pitambra Books Pvt. Ltd.* v. *Union of India* [2020] 75 GSTR 581 (Delhi), vide para 13 of the said order has stayed the rigour of paragraph 8 of Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019 and has also directed the Government to either open the online portal so as to enable the petitioner to file the tax refund electronically, or to accept the same manually within four weeks from the order. The honourable Delhi High Court vide para 12 of the aforesaid order has observed that *the circulars can supplant but not supplement the law. Circulars might mitigate rigours of law by granting administrative relief beyond relevant provisions of the statute, however, Central Government is not empowered to withdraw benefits or impose stricter conditions than postulated by the law.*
- 2.3 Further, same issue has been raised in various other representations also, especially those received from the merchant exporters wherein merchant exporters have received the supplies of goods in the last quarter of a financial year and have made exports in the next financial year, i. e., from April onwards. The restriction imposed vide para 8 of the master refund circular prohibits the refund of ITC accrued in such cases as well.
- 2.4 On perusal of the provisions under sub-section (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 and sub-section (3) of section 54 of the CGST Act, there appears no bar in claiming refund by clubbing different months across successive financial years.
- 2.5 The issue has been examined and it has been decided to remove the restriction on clubbing of tax periods across financial years. Accordingly, Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019 stands modified to that extent, i. e., the restriction on bunching of refund claims across financial years shall not apply.
- 3. Refund of accumulated input tax credit (ITC) on account of reduction in GST rate
- 3.1 It has been brought to the notice of the Board that some of the applicants are seeking refund of unutilized ITC on account of inverted duty structure where the inversion is due to change in the GST rate on the same goods. This can be explained through an illustration. An applicant trading in goods has purchased, say goods "X" attracting 18 per cent. GST.

However, subsequently, the rate of GST on "X" has been reduced to, say 12 per cent. It is being claimed that accumulation of ITC in such a case is also covered as accumulation on account of inverted duty structure and

such applicants have sought refund of accumulated ITC under clause (ii) of sub-section (3) of section 54 of the CGST Act.

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3.2 It may be noted that refund of accumulated ITC in terms clause (ii) of sub-section (3) of section 54 of the CGST Act is available where the credit has accumulated on account of rate of tax on inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies. It is noteworthy that, the input and output being the same in such cases, though attracting different tax rates at different points in time, do not get covered under the provisions of clause (ii) of sub-section (3) of section 54 of the CGST Act. It is hereby clarified that refund of accumulated ITC under clause (ii) of sub-section (3) of section 54 of the CGST Act would not be applicable in cases where the input and the output supplies are the same.

- 4. Change in manner of refund of tax paid on supplies other than zero-rated supplies
- 4.1 Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019¹, in para 3, categorizes the refund applications to be filed in *Form GST RFD-01* as under :
- (a) Refund of unutilized input tax credit (ITC) on account of exports without payment of tax;
 - (b) Refund of tax paid on export of services with payment of tax;
- (c) Refund of unutilized ITC on account of supplies made to SEZ Unit/SEZ Developer without payment of tax;
- (d) Refund of tax paid on supplies made to SEZ Unit/SEZ developer with payment of tax;
- (e) Refund of unutilized ITC on account of accumulation due to inverted tax structure ;
 - (f) Refund to supplier of tax paid on deemed export supplies;
 - (g) Refund to recipient of tax paid on deemed export supplies;
 - (h) Refund of excess balance in the electronic cash ledger;
 - (i) Refund of excess payment of tax;
- (j) Refund of tax paid on intra-State supply which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply and vice versa;
- (k) Refund on account of assessment/provisional assessment/appeal/ any other order;
 - (1) Refund on account of "any other" ground or reason.

^{1.} See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 11.

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4.2 For the refund of tax paid falling in categories specified at Sl. Nos. (i) to (l) above, i. e., refund claims on supplies other than zero-rated supplies, no separate debit of ITC from electronic credit ledger is required to be made by the applicant at the time of filing refund claim, being claim of tax already paid. However, the total tax would have been normally paid by the applicant by debiting tax amount from both electronic credit ledger and electronic cash ledger. At present, in these cases, the amount of admissible refund, is paid in cash even when such payment of tax or any part thereof, has been made through ITC.

4.3.1 As this could lead to allowing unintended encashment of credit balances, this issue has been engaging attention of the Government. Accordingly, vide Notification No. 16/2020-Central Tax, dated March 23, 2020¹, sub-rule (4A) has been inserted in rule 86 of the CGST Rules, 2017 which reads as under:

"(4A) Where a registered person has claimed refund of any amount paid as tax wrongly paid or paid in excess for which debit has been made from the electronic credit ledger, the said amount, if found admissible, shall be re-credited to the electronic credit ledger by the proper officer by an order made in *Form GST PMT-03.*"

4.3.2 Further, vide the same notification, sub-rule (1A) has also been inserted in rule 92 of the CGST Rules, 2017. The same is reproduced hereunder:

"(1A) Where, upon examination of the application of refund of any amount paid as tax other than the refund of tax paid on zero-rated supplies or deemed export, the proper officer is satisfied that a refund under subsection (5) of section 54 of the Act is due and payable to the applicant, he shall make an order in *Form RFD-06* sanctioning the amount of refund to be paid, in cash, proportionate to the amount debited in cash against the total amount paid for discharging tax liability for the relevant period, mentioning therein the amount adjusted against any outstanding demand under the Act or under any existing law and the balance amount refundable and for the remaining amount which has been debited from the electronic credit ledger for making payment of such tax, the proper officer shall issue *Form GST PMT-03* re-crediting the said amount as input tax credit in electronic credit ledger."

4.4 The combined effect the above mentioned changes is that any such refund of tax paid on supplies other than zero-rated supplies will now be admissible proportionately in the respective original mode of payment,

^{1.} See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 87.

i. e., in cases of refund, where the tax to be refunded has been paid by debiting both electronic cash and credit ledgers (other than the refund of tax paid on zero-rated supplies or deemed export), the refund to be paid in cash and credit shall be calculated in the same proportion in which the cash and credit ledger has been debited for discharging the total tax liability for the relevant period for which application for refund has been filed. Such amount, shall be accordingly paid by issuance of order in *Form GST RFD-06* for amount refundable in cash and *Form GST PMT-03* to re-credit the amount attributable to credit as ITC in the electronic credit ledger.

5. Guidelines for refunds of input tax credit under section 54(3)

5.1 In terms of para 36 of Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019¹, the refund of ITC availed in respect of invoices not reflected in *Form GSTR-2A* was also admissible and copies of such invoices were required to be uploaded. However, in wake of insertion of subrule (4) to rule 36 of the CGST Rules, 2017 vide Notification No. 49/2019-GST, dated October 9, 2019², various references have been received from the field formations regarding admissibility of refund of the ITC availed on the invoices which are not reflecting in the *Form GSTR-2A* of the applicant.

5.2 The matter has been examined and it has been decided that the refund of accumulated ITC shall be restricted to the ITC as per those invoices, the details of which are uploaded by the supplier in *Form GSTR-1* and are reflected in the *Form GSTR-2A* of the applicant. Accordingly, para 36 of Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019 stands modified to that extent.

6. New Requirement to mention HSN/SAC in annexure 'B'

6.1 References have also been received from the field formations that HSN wise details of goods and services are not available in *Form GSTR-2A* and therefore it becomes very difficult to distinguish ITC on capital goods and/or input services out of total ITC for a relevant tax period. It has been recommended that a column relating to HSN/SAC Code should be added in the statement of invoices relating to inward supply as provided in *annexure B* of Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019 so as to easily identify between the supplies of goods and services.

6.2 The issue has been examined and considering that such a distinction is important in view of the provisions relating to refund where refund of credit on capital goods and/or services is not permissible in certain cases,

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^{1.} See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 11.

^{2.} See [2019] 70 GSTR (St.) 1.

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it has been decided to amend the said statement. Accordingly, *annexure B* of Circular No. 125/44/2019-GST, dated November 18, 2019¹ stands modified to that extent.

- 6.3 A suitably modified statement format is attached for applicants to upload the details of invoices reflecting in their *Form GSTR-2A*. The applicant is, in addition to details already prescribed, now required to mention HSN/SAC code which is mentioned on the inward invoices. In cases where supplier is not mandated to mention HSN/SAC code on invoice, the applicant need not mention HSN/SAC code in respect of such an inward supply.
- 7. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 8. Difficulty, if any, in implementation of this circular may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner [CBEC-20/01/06/2019-GST]

Annexure B
Statement of invoices to be submitted with application for refund of unutilized ITC

Sl.		Name	Invo	ice de	tails	Catego		Cent-		Integ-	Cess		Amount
No.	TIN of the	of the supp-				input su	pplies	ral tax	tax/ Union	rated tax		ble for ITC	of eligi- ble ITC
	supp- lier	lier							territory tax			110	<i>bic</i> 11 C
	1101	`				Inputs/			20100				
			Invoice No.	Date	Value	Input Input Services/ capital goods	HSN/ SAC					Yes/ No/ Par- tially	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

Circular No. 136/06/2020-GST, dated 3rd April, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of various measures announced by the Government for providing relief to the taxpayers in view of spread of novel corona virus (COVID-19)—Regarding

The spread of novel corona virus (COVID-19) across many countries of the world, including India, has caused immense loss to the lives of people

^{1.} See [2020] 72 GSTR (St.) 11.

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and resultantly impacted the trade and industry. In view of the emergent situation and challenges faced by taxpayers in meeting the compliance requirements under various provisions of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017¹ (hereinafter referred to as the "CGST Act"), Government has announced various relief measures relating to statutory and regulatory compliance matters across sectors.

2. The Government has issued following notifications in order to provide relief to the taxpayers :

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Sl. No.	Notification	Remarks
1.	Notification No. 30/ 2020- Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ¹	Amendment in the CGST Rules so as to allow tax-payers opting for the Composition Scheme for the financial year 2020-21 to file their option in <i>Form CMP-02</i> till 30th June, 2020 and to allow cumulative application of the condition in rule 36(4) for the months of February, 2020 to August, 2020 in the return for tax period of September, 2020.
2.	Notification No. 31/ 2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ²	A lower rate of interest of NIL for first 15 days after the due date of filing return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> and at nine per cent. thereafter is notified for those registered persons having aggregate turnover above Rs. 5 crore and <i>Nil</i> rate of interest is notified for those registered persons having aggregate turnover below Rs. 5 crore in the preceding financial year, for the tax periods of February, 2020 to April, 2020. This lower rate of interest shall be subject to condition that due tax is paid by filing return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> by the date(s) as specified in the notification.
3.	Notification No. 32/ 2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ³	Notification under section 128 of the CGST Act for waiver of late fee for delay in furnishing returns in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> for the tax periods of February, 2020 to April, 2020 provided the return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> by the date as specified in the Notification.
4.	Notification No. 33/ 2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁴	Notification under section 128 of the CGST Act for waiver of late fee for delay in furnishing the statement of outward supplies in <i>Form GSTR-1</i> for taxpayers for the tax periods March, 2020 to May, 2020 and for quarter ending 31st March 2020 if the same are furnished on or before 30th day of June, 2020.
5.	Notification No. 34/ 2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁵	Extension of due date of furnishing statement, containing the details of payment of self-assessed tax in <i>Form GST CMP-08</i> for the quarter ending 31st March,

^{1.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

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	2020 till the 7th day of July, 2020 and filing <i>Form GSTR-4</i> for the financial year ending 31st March, 2020 till the 15th day of July, 2020.
6.	Notification under section 168A of the CGST Act for extending due date of compliance which falls during the period from the 20th day of March, 2020 to the 29th day of June, 2020 to 30th day of June, 2020.

- 1. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 102.
- 2. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 103.
- 3. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 105.
- 4. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 106.
- 5. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 107.
- 6. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.
- 3. Various issues relating to above mentioned notifications have been examined. In order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the CGST Act hereby clarifies each of these issues as under:

SL. No.	Issue	Clarification
1.	What are the measures that have been specifically taken for taxpayers who have opted to pay tax under section 10 of the CGST Act or those availing the option to pay tax under Notification No. 2/2019-Central Tax (Rate), dated the 7th March, 2019 ¹ ?	 The said class of taxpayers, as per the Notification No. 34/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020², have been allowed, to,— furnish the statement of details of payment of self-assessed tax in Form GST CMP-08 for the quarter January to March, 2020 by July 7, 2020; and furnish the return in Form GSTR-4 for the financial year 2019-20 by July 15, 2020. In addition to the above, taxpayers opting for the composition scheme for the financial year 2020-21, have been allowed, as per the notification No. 30/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020³, to,— file an intimation in Form GST CMP-02 by June 30, 2020; and furnish the statement in Form GST ITC-03 till July 31, 2020.
2.	Whether due date of furni- shing Form GSTR-3B for the months of February, March and April, 2020 has been extended?	1. The due dates for furnishing Form GSTR-3B for the months of February, March and April, 2020 has not been extended through any of the notifications referred in para 2 above.

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3.	What are the conditions attached for availing the reduced rate of interest for the months of February, March and April, 2020, for a registered person whose aggregate turnover in the preceding financial year is above Rs. 5 crore?	2. However, as per Notification No. 31/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁴ , NIL rate of interest for first 15 days after the due date of filing return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> and <i>reduced rate of interest at nine per cent. thereafter has been notified</i> for those registered persons whose aggregate turnover in the preceding financial year is above Rs. 5 crore. For those registered persons having turnover up to Rs. 5 crore in the preceding financial year, <i>Nil rate of interest has also been notified</i> . 3. Further, vide notification as per Notification No. 32/2020 ⁵ -Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020, Government has waived the late fees for delay in furnishing the return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> for the months of February, March and April, 2020. 4. The lower rate of interest and waiver of late fee would be available only if due tax is paid by filing return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> by the date(s) as specified in the notification. 1. As clarified at Sl. No. (2) above, the due date for furnishing the return remains unchanged; i. e., 20th day of the month succeeding such month. The rate of interest has been notified as nil for first 15 days from the due date, and nine per cent. per annum thereafter, for the said months. 2. The reduced rate of interest is subject to the condition that the registered person <i>must furnish the returns in Form GSTR-3B on or before 24th day of June, 2020.</i> 3. In case the returns in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> for the said months are not furnished on or before 24th day of
		June, 2020 then interest at 18 per cent. per annum shall be payable from the due date of return, till the date on which the return is filed. In addition, regular late fee shall also be leviable for such delay along with liability for penalty.
4.	How to calculate the interest for late payment of tax for the months of February, March and April, 2020 for a registered person whose aggregate turnover in preceding financial year is above Rs. 5 crore?	1. As explained above, the rate of interest has been notified as nil for first 15 days from the due date, and nine per cent. per annum thereafter, for the said months. The same can be explained through an illustration. Illustration:—Calculation of interest for delayed filing of return for the month of March, 2020 (due date of filing being April 20, 2020) may be illustrated as per the below Table:

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		Sl.	Date of filing	No. of	Whether	Interest
		No.	GSTR-3B	days of delay		Titteresi
				uemy	interest is fulfilled?	
		1.	02.05.2020	11	Yes	Zero interest
		2.	20.05.2020	30	Yes	Zero interest for 15 days + inter
						rest rate at nine per cent. p.a. for 15 days
		3.	20.06.2020	61	Yes	Zero interest for 15 days + interest rate at nine per cent. p.a. for 46 days
		4.	24.06.2020	65	Yes	Zero interest for 15 days + interest rate at nine per cent. p. a. for 50 days
		5.	30.06.2020	71	No	Interest rate at 18 per cent. p.a. for 71 days (i. e., no benefit of reduced inte- rest)
5.	What are the conditions attached for availing the NIL rate of interest for the months of February, March and April, 2020, for a registered person whose aggregate turnover in preceding financial year is up to Rs. 5 crore?	furnishing the return remains unchanged. The rate				

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6.	Whether the due date of	3. In case the return for the said months are not furnished on or before the date mentioned in the notification then <i>interest at 18 per cent. per annum shall be charged from the due date of return, till the date on which the return is filed</i> as explained in the illustration at Sl. No. (4) above, against entry 5. In addition, regular late fee shall also be leviable for such delay along with liability for penalty. Under the provisions of section 128 of the CGST Act,
	furnishing the statement of outward supplies in Form GSTR-1 under section 37 has been extended for the months of February, March and April 2020?	in terms of Notification No. 33/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁶ , late fee leviable under section 47 has been waived for delay in furnishing the statement of outward supplies in <i>Form GSTR-1</i> under section 37, for the tax periods March, 2020, April 2020, May, 2020 and quarter ending 31st March 2020 if the same are furnished on or before the 30th day of June, 2020.
7.	Whether restriction under rule 36(4) of the CGST Rules would apply during the lockdown period?	Vide Notification No. 30/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ³ , a proviso has been inserted in CGST Rules, 2017 to provide that the said condition shall not apply to input tax credit availed by the registered persons in the returns in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> for the months of February, March, April, May, June, July and August, 2020, but that the said condition shall apply cumulatively for the said period and that the return in <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> for the tax period of September, 2020 shall be furnished with cumulative adjustment of input tax credit for the said months in accordance with the condition under rule 36(4).
8.	What will be the status of e-way bills which have expired during the lockdown period?	In terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁷ , issued under the provisions of section 168A of the CGST Act, where the validity of an e-way bill generated under rule 138 of the CGST Rules <i>expires during the period 20th day of March</i> , 2020 to 15th day of April, 2020, the validity period of such e-way bill has been extended till the 30th day of April, 2020.
9.	What are the measures that have been specifically taken for taxpayers who are required to deduct tax at source under section 51, input service distributors and non-resident taxable persons?	Under the provisions of section 168A of the CGST Act, in terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁷ , the said class of taxpayers have been allowed to furnish the respective returns specified in sub-sections (3), (4) and (5) of section 39 of the said Act, for the months of March, 2020 to May, 2020 on or before the 30th day of June, 2020.

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	10.	What are the measures that	Under the provisions of section 168A of the CGST	
		have been specifically taken	Act, in terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central	
		for taxpayers who are	Tax, dated April 3, 2020 ⁷ , the said class of taxpayers	
		required to collect tax at	have been allowed to furnish the statement specified	
		source under section 52 ?	in section 52, for the months of March, 2020 to May,	
			2020 on or before the 30th day of June, 2020.	
Ī	11.	The time limit for compli-	Vide Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated	
		ance of some of the provi-	April 3, 2020 ⁷ , issued under the provisions of 168A of	
		sions of the CGST Act is	the CGST Act, except for few provisions covered in	
		falling during the lock-	exclusion clause, any time limit for completion or	
		down period announced by	compliance of any action which falls during the	
		the Government. What	period from the 20th day of March, 2020 to the 29th	
		should the taxpayer do?	day of June, 2020, and where completion or compli-	
			ance of such action has not been made within such	
			time, has been extended to 30th day of June, 2020.	

- 1. See [2019] 63 GSTR (St.) 302.
- 2. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 107.
- 3. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 102.
- 4. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 103.
- 5. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 105.
- 6. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 106.
- 7. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.
- 4. To be seen as follows: (1.11) to a few actions and
- 4. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 5. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner

[CBEC-20/06/04-2020-GST]

Circular No. 137/07/2020-GST, dated 13th April, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of certain challenges faced by the registered persons in implementation of provisions of GST Laws—Regarding

Circular No. 136/06/2020-GST, dated April 3, 2020¹ had been issued to clarify doubts regarding relief measures taken by the Government for facilitating taxpayers in meeting the compliance requirements under various provisions of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017² (hereinafter referred to as the "CGST Act") on account of the measures taken to prevent the spread of novel corona virus (COVID-19). It has been brought to

^{1.} See page 137 supra.

^{2.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

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the notice of the Board that certain challenges are being faced by taxpayers in adhering to the compliance requirements under various other provisions of the CGST Act which also need to be clarified.

2. The issues raised have been examined and in order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the CGST Act hereby clarifies as under:

Sl.	Issue	Clarification
No.		
1.	An advance is received by a supplier for a service contract which subsequently got cancelled. The supplier has issued the invoice before supply of service and paid the GST thereon. Whether he can claim refund of tax paid or is he required to adjust his tax liability in his returns?	In case GST is paid by the supplier on advances received for a future event which got cancelled subsequently and for which invoice is issued before supply of service, the supplier is required to issue a "credit note" in terms of section 34 of the CGST Act. He shall declare the details of such credit notes in the return for the month during which such credit note has been issued. The tax liability shall be adjusted in the return subject to conditions of section 34 of the CGST Act. There is no need to file a separate refund claim. However, in cases where there is no output liability against which a credit note can be adjusted, registered persons may proceed to file a claim under "Excess payment of tax, if any" through Form GST RFD-01.
2.	An advance is received by a supplier for a service contract which got cancelled subsequently. The supplier has issued receipt voucher and paid the GST on such advance received. Whether he can claim refund of tax paid on advance or he is required to adjust his tax liability in his returns?	In case GST is paid by the supplier on advances received for an event which got cancelled subsequently and for which no invoice has been issued in terms of section 31(2) of the CGST Act, he is required to issue a "refund voucher" in terms of section 31(3) (e) of the CGST Act read with rule 51 of the CGST Rules. The taxpayer can apply for refund of GST paid on such advances by filing Form GST RFD-01 under the category "refund of excess payment of tax".

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3. Goods supplied by a supplier under cover of a tax invoice are returned by the recipient. Whether he can claim refund of tax paid or is he required to adjust his tax liability in his returns?

In such a case where the goods supplied by a supplier are returned by the recipient and where tax invoice had been issued, the supplier is required to issue a "credit note" in terms of section 34 of the CGST Act. He shall declare the details of such credit notes in the return for the month during which such credit note has been issued. The tax liability shall be adjusted in the return subject to conditions of section 34 of the CGST Act. There is no need to file a separate refund claim in such a case.

However, in cases where there is no output liability against which a credit note can be adjusted, registered persons may proceed to file a claim under "excess payment of tax, if any" through Form GST RFD-01.

4. Letter of Undertaking (LUT) furnished for the purposes of zero-rated supplies as per provisions of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 read with rule 96A of the CGST Rules has expired on March 31, 2020. Whether a registered person can still make a zero-rated supply on such LUT and claim refund accordingly or does he have to make such supplies on payment of IGST and claim refund of such IGST?

Notification No. 37/2017-Central Tax, dated October 4, 2017¹, requires *LUT to be furnished for a financial year*. However, in terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020², where the requirement under the GST Law for furnishing of any report, document, return, statement or such other record falls during between the period from March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020, has been extended till June 30, 2020.

Therefore, in terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax², time limit for filing of LUT for the year 2020-21 shall stand extended to June 30, 2020 and the taxpayer can continue to make the supply without payment of tax under LUT provided that the *Form GST RFD-11* for 2020-21 is furnished on or before June 30, 2020. Taxpayers may quote the reference no of the LUT for the year 2019-20 in the relevant documents.

5. While making the payment to recipient, amount equivalent to one per cent was deducted as per the provisions of section 51 of the Central Goods and Services Tax

As per Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020², where the timeline for any compliance required as per sub-section (3) of section 39 and

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Act, 2017, i. e., Tax Deducted at Source		
(TDS). Whether the date of deposit of such		
payment has also been extended vide Noti-		
fication No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated		
April 3, 2020 ² ?		
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section 51 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 falls during the period from March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020, the same has been extended till June 30, 2020. Accordingly, the due date for furnishing of return in *Form GSTR*-7 along with deposit of tax deducted for the said period has also been extended till June 30, 2020 and no interest under section 50 shall be leviable if tax deducted is deposited by June 30, 2020.

6. As per section 54(1), a person is required to make an application before expiry of two years from the relevant date. If in a particular case, date for making an application for refund expires on March 31, 2020, can such person make an application for refund before July 29, 2020?

As per Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020², where the timeline for any compliance required as per sub-section (1) of section 54 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 falls during the period from March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020, the same has been extended till June 30, 2020. Accordingly, the due date for filing an application for refund falling during the said period has also been extended till June 30, 2020.

- 1. See [2017] 47 GSTR (St.) 176.
- 2. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.
- 4. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 5. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner

[CBEC-20/06/04-2020-GST]

Circular No. 138/08/2020-GST, dated 6th May, 2020

Subject: Clarification in respect of certain challenges faced by the registered persons in implementation of provisions of GST Laws—Regarding

Circular No. 136/06/2020-GST, dated April 3, 2020¹ and Circular No. 137/07/2020-GST, dated April 13, 2020² had been issued to clarify doubts regarding relief measures taken by the Government for facilitating tax-

^{1.} See page 137 supra.

^{2.} See page 143 supra.

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payers in meeting the compliance requirements under various provisions of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017¹ (hereinafter referred to as the "CGST Act") on account of the measures taken to prevent the spread of novel corona virus (COVID-19). Post issuance of the said clarifications, certain challenges being faced by taxpayers in adhering to the compliance requirements under various other provisions of the CGST Act were brought to the notice of the Board, and need to be clarified.

2. The issues raised have been examined and in order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the CGST Act hereby clarifies as under:

Sl. No.	Issue	Clarification			
	Issues related to Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016				
1.	Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020¹, issued under section 148 of the CGST Act provided that an IRP/CIRP is required to take a separate registration within 30 days of the issuance of the notification. It has been represented that the IRP/RP are facing difficulty in obtaining registrations during the period of the lockdown and have requested to increase the time for obtaining registration from the present 30 days limit.	Vide Notification No. 39/2020-Central Tax, dated May 5, 2020 ² , the time limit required for obtaining registration by the IRP/RP in terms of special procedure prescribed vide Notification No. 11/2020-Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020 has been extended. Accordingly, IRP/RP shall now be required to obtain registration within thirty days of the appointment of the IRP/RP or by 30th June, 2020, whichever is later.			
2.	Notification No. 11/2020–Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020 specifies that the IRP/RP, in respect of a corporate debtor, has to take a new registration with effect from the date of appointment. Clarification has been sought whether IRP would be required to take a fresh registration even when they are complying with all the provisions of the GST Law under the registration of Corporate Debtor (earlier GSTIN), i. e., all the GSTR-3Bs have been filed by the Corporate debtor/IRP prior to the period of appointment of IRPs and they have not been defaulted in return filing.	(i) Notification No. 11/2020—Central Tax, dated March 21, 2020 was issued to devise a special procedure to overcome the requirement of sequential filing of <i>Form GSTR-3B</i> under GST and to align it with the provisions of the IBC Act, 2016. The said notification has been amended vide Notification No. 39/2020-Central Tax, dated May 5, 2020 so as to specifically provide that corporate debtors who have not defaulted in furnishing the return under GST would not be required to obtain a separate registration with effect from the date of appointment of IRP/RP.			

^{1.} See [2017] 44 GSTR (St.) 249; [2017] 100 VST (St.) 1.

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		(ii) Accordingly, it is clarified that
		IRP/RP would not be required to take
		a fresh registration in those cases
		where statements in Form GSTR-1
		under section 37 and returns in
		Form GSTR-3B under section 39 of
		the CGST Act, for all the tax periods
		prior to the appointment of IRP/RP,
		have been furnished under the
		registration of Corporate Debtor
		(earlier GSTIN).
3.	Another doubt has been raised that the	(i) In cases where the RP is not the
0.	present notification has used the terms	same as IRP, or in cases where a
	IRP and RP interchangeably, and in cases	different IRP/RP is appointed mid-
	where an appointed IRP is not ratified and a	way during the insolvency process,
	separate RP is appointed, whether the same	the change in the GST system may
	new GSTIN shall be transferred from the IRP	be carried out by an amendment in
- 4	to RP, or both will need to take fresh regis-	the registration form. Changing the
	tration.	authorized signatory is a non-core
	tidion.	amendment and does not require
		approval of tax officer. However, if
		the previous authorized signatory
		does not share the credentials with
		his successor, then the newly
		appointed person can get his details
		added through the Jurisdictional
- 1		authority as Primary authorized
1		signatory.
		(ii) The new registration by IRP/RP
		shall be required only once, and in
		case of any change in IRP/RP after
		initial appointment under IBC, it
		would be deemed to be change of
		authorized signatory and it would
		not be considered as a distinct per-
		son on every such change after ini-
		tial appointment. Accordingly, it is
		clarified that such a change would
		need only change of authorized
		signatory which can be done by the
		authorized signatory of the com-
		pany who can add IRP/RP as new
		authorized signatory or failing that
		it can be added by the concerned
		jurisdictional officer on request by
		IRP/RP.

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Other COVID-19 related representations

- 4. As per Notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate), dated October 23, 2017³, a registered supplier is allowed to supply the goods to a registered recipient (merchant exporter) at 0.1 per cent. provided, inter alia, that the merchant exporter exports the goods within a period of ninety days from the date of issue of a tax invoice by the registered supplier. Request has been made to clarify the provision, vis-a-vis., the exemption provided vide Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020⁴.
- (i) Vide Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020⁴, time limit for compliance of any action by any person which falls during the period from March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020 has been extended up to June 30, 2020, where completion or compliance of such action has not been made within such time.
- (ii) Notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate), dated October 23, 2017³ was issued under powers conferred by section 11 of the CGST Act, 2017. The exemption provided in Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020⁴ is applicable for section 11 as well.
- (iii) Accordingly, it is clarified that the said requirement of exporting the goods by the merchant exporter within 90 days from the date of issue of tax invoice by the registered supplier gets extended to 30th June, 2020, provided the completion of such 90 days period falls within March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020.
- 5. Sub-rule (3) of that rule 45 of the CGST Rules requires furnishing of *Form GST ITC-04* in respect of goods dispatched to a job worker or received from a job worker during a quarter on or before the 25th day of the month succeeding that quarter. Accordingly, the due date of filing of *Form GST ITC-04* for the quarter ending March, 2020 falls on April 25, 2020. Clarification has been sought as to whether the extension of time limit as provided in terms of Notification No. 35/2020-Central Tax, dated April 3, 2020⁴ also covers furnishing of *Form GST ITC-04* for quarter ending March, 2020.

Time-limit for compliance of any action by any person which falls during the period from March 20, 2020 to June 29, 2020 has been extended up to June 30, 2020 where completion or compliance of such action has not been made within such time. Accordingly, it is clarified that the due date of furnishing of *Form GST ITC-04* for the quarter ending March, 2020 stands extended up to June 30, 2020.

- 1. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 83.
- 2. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 112.

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- 3. See [2017] 47 GSTR (St.) 489.
- 4. See [2020] 75 GSTR (St.) 108.
- 4. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 5. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

Principal Commissioner

[CBEC-20/06/04-2020-GST]

Intra-State supplies of goods or services or both received by registered person from unregistered supplier—Exemption—Amendment (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 55 Revenue (CT-II), [22/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 1st May, 2019¹

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 11 of the Telangana Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017 (Act No. 23 of 2017), the State Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following further amendment in Notification No. 8/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated 29th June, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette, Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated 30th June, 2017 and last amended vide Notification No. 12/2018-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 142, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated 28th July, 2018, namely:—

In the said notification, for the expression "30th day of September, 2018" the expression "30th day of September, 2019" shall be *substituted*.

2. This notification shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from 6th August, 2018.

Rate of goods and services tax—Amendments (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 6 Revenue (CT-II), [24/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 29th January, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 9 and sub-section (5) of section 15 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Telangana Act No. 23 of 2017), the State Government, on the recommendations of the GST Council, hereby makes the following amendments

^{1.} Telangana Gazette, Extry. No. 94-D, Part I, dated 1-5-2019.

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in Notification No. 1/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017 and as amended subsequently from time to time, namely:—

In the said notification,—

- (a) in the opening paragraph, after the words, brackets and figures "sub-section (1) of section 9", the words, brackets and figures "and subsection (5) of section 15", shall be *inserted*;
 - (b) in Schedule I—2.5%,—
- (i) Sl. Nos. 23 and 24 and the entries relating thereto, shall be *omitted*;
- (ii) after Sl. No. 123 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

	//100 A	OF1F 11 00	Marble and travertine, crude or roughly trimmed";
- 3	123A	2515 11 00	Marble and travertine, crude or roughly trimined ;
			,

(iii) Sl. No. 198A shall be re-numbered as S. No. 198AA, and before S. No. 198AA as so renumbered, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"198A 4501 Natural cork, raw or simply prepared";		Natural cork, raw or simply prepared";	"198A	
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- (iv) against Sl. No. 224, for the entry in column (2), the entry "63 (other than 6305 32 00, 6309)" shall be *substituted*;
- (v) against Sl. No. 225, for the entry in column (3), the entry "Footwear of sale value not exceeding Rs. 1,000 per pair" shall be *substituted*;
- (vi) for Sl. No. 225A and the entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and the entries shall be *substituted*, namely:—

″225A	6602 00 00	Walking-sticks including seat sticks
225B		Fly ash bricks or fly ash aggregate with 90 per cent. or more fly ash content; Fly ash blocks";

(vii) against Sl. No. 234, in the entry in column (3), the following *Explanation* shall be *inserted* in the end, namely:—

"Explanation: If the goods specified in this entry are supplied, by a supplier, along with supplies of other goods and services, one of which being a taxable service specified in the entry at Sl. No. 38 of the Table mentioned in the Notification No. 11/2017- State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette Part-I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017, the value of supply of goods for the purposes of this entry shall be deemed as seventy per cent. of the gross consideration charged for all such supplies,

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and the remaining thirty per cent. of the gross consideration charged shall be deemed as value of the said taxable service.";

(viii) Sl. No. 243A shall be re-numbered as Sl. No. 243B, and before Sl. No. 243B as so re-numbered, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"243A 8714 2	Parts and accessories of carriage for disabled person	ns";
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- (c) in Schedule II—6%,—
- (i) after Sl. No. 101 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and the entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"101A	4502 00 00	Natural cork, debacked or roughly squared, or in rectangular (including square) blocks, plates, sheets or strip (including sharp-edged blanks for corks or stoppers)
101B	4503	Articles of natural cork such as corks and stoppers, shuttlecock cork bottom
101C	4504	Agglomerated cork (with or without a binding substance) and articles of agglomerated cork";

- (ii) Sl. Nos. 102 and 126 and the entries relating thereto, shall be *omitted*;
- (iii) Sl. No. 171A shall be re-numbered as Sl. No. 171AA, and before Sl. No. 171AA as so renumbered, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely :—

"171A	6305 32 00	Flexible intermediate bulk containers";	

- (iv) against Sl. No. 173, in the entry in column (3), the words "walking-sticks, seat-sticks," shall be *omitted*;
 - (v) Sl. No. 177 and the entries relating thereto, shall be omitted;
 - (d) in SCHEDULE III—9%,—
- (i) Sl. No. 121A shall be re-numbered as Sl. No. 121B, and before Sl. No. 121B as so re-numbered, the following serial number and entries shall be $\it inserted$, namely:—

"121A	4012	Retreaded or used pneumatic tyres of rubber; solid or
		cushion tyres, tyre treads and tyre flaps, of rubber";

- (ii) Sl. Nos. 142, 143 and 144 and the entries relating thereto shall be *omitted*;
- (iii) against Sl. No. 369A, for the entry in column (3), the entry "Transmission shafts (including cam shafts and crank shafts) and cranks; bearing housings and plain shaft bearings; gears and gearing; ball or roller screws; gear boxes and other speed changers, including torque converters;

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flywheels and pulleys, including pulley blocks; clutches and shaft couplings (including universal joints)" shall be *substituted*;

(iv) after Sl. No. 376AA and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely :—

"376AAA	8507	Lithium-ion accumulators (other than battery) inclu-
		ding lithium-ion power bank" ;

- (v) against S. No. 383, in the entry in column (3), after the words "television cameras", the words, "digital cameras and video camera recorders", shall be *inserted*;
- (vi) against S. No. 383C, in the entry in column (3), for the figures and letters "68 cm", the figures and word "32 inches" shall be *substituted*;
- (vii) against Sl. No. 384, in the entry in column (3), for the figures and word "20 inches", the figures and word "32 inches" shall be *substituted*;
- (viii) Sl. No. 440A shall be re-numbered as Sl. No. 440B, and before Sl. No. 440B as so re-numbered, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely :—

	"440A	9504	Video game consoles and machines, articles of funfair, table
			or parlour games, including pintables, billiards, special tables
			for casino games and automatic bowling alley equipment
1			(other than playing cards, ganjifa card, chess board, carom
1			board and other board games of 9504 90 90 like ludo, etc.)";

- (e) in Schedule IV-14%,—
 - (i) Sl. No. 47 and the entries relating thereto shall be omitted;
- (ii) Sl. No. 135 and the entries relating thereto, shall be omitted;
- (iii) against Sl. No. 139, in the entry in column (3), after the words "other than Lithium-ion battery", the words "and other Lithium-ion accumulators including Lithium-ion power banks" shall be *inserted*;
 - (iv) Sl. No. 151 and the entries relating thereto, shall be omitted;
- (v) against Sl. No. 154, in the entry in column (3), for the figures and word "20 inches" and the figures and letters "68 cm", both, the figures and word "32 inches" shall respectively be *substituted*;
- (vi) for Sl. No. 174 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be *substituted*, namely:—

"174	8717	Parts and accessories of vehicles of heading 8711";
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- (vii) Sl. No. 215 and the entries relating thereto, shall be omitted.
- 2. This notification shall come into force on the 1st January, 2019.

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Intra-State supplies of certain goods—Exemption— Amendments (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 6 Revenue (CT-II), [25/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 29th January, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 11 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Telangana Act. No. 23 of 2017), the State Government, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following further amendments in Notification No. 2/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette, Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017 and as amended from time to time, namely:—

In the said notification, In the Schedule,—

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(i) for Sl. No. 43A and the entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and the entries shall be *substituted*, namely :—

"43A	0710	Vegetables (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling in water), frozen
43B	0711	Vegetables provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption";

(ii) after Sl. No. 121 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"121A	4904 00 00	Music, printed or in manuscript, whether or not bound
		or illustrated";

(iii) after Sl. No. 152 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and the entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

"153	Any Chapter	Supply of gift items received by the President, Prime
		Minister, Governor or Chief Minister of any State or
		Union Territory, or any public servant, by way of public
		auction by the Government, where auction proceeds
		are to be used for public or charitable cause".

2. This notification shall come into force on the 1st January, 2019.

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Exemption to intra-State supply of gold (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 6 Revenue (CT-II), [26/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 29th January, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 11 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Telangana Act. No. 23 of 2017), the State Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby exempts the intra-State supply of gold falling in heading 7108 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (Act No. 51 of 1975), when supplied by Nominated Agency under the scheme for "Export Against Supply by Nominated Agency" as referred to in paragraph 4.41 of the Foreign Trade Policy, read with relevant provisions of Chapter 4 of Handbook of Procedures, to a registered person (herein referred to as "recipient"), from the whole of the Central tax leviable thereon, under section 9 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, subject to following conditions, namely:—

- (i) the nominated agency and the recipient shall follow the conditions and observe the procedures as specified in the Foreign Trade Policy read with Handbook of Procedures ;
- (ii) the recipient shall export the jewellery made out of such gold within a period of 90 (ninety) days from the date of supply of gold to such recipient and shall provide copy of shipping bill or bill of export containing details of Goods and Services Tax Identification Number (GSTIN) along with the invoice for exports to the nominated agency within a period of 120 (one hundred and twenty) days from the date of supply by the nominated agency;
- (iii) wherever such proof of export is not produced within the period mentioned in condition (ii), the nominated agency shall pay the amount of Central tax payable on the quantity of gold not exported, along with interest from the date when the said tax on such supply was payable, but for the exemption.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this notification,—

(a) "Foreign Trade Policy" means the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020¹, notified by the Government of India in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry vide Notification No. 41/2015-2020, dated 5th December, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (ii), vide S. O. 3813, dated 5th December, 2017;

^{1.} See [2015] 32 GSTR (St.) 17.

- (b) "Handbook of Procedures" means the Handbook of Procedure, notified by the Government of India in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry vide Public Notice No. 43/2015-2020, dated 5th December 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part I, section 1, vide F. No. 1/94/180/333/AM 15/PC, dated 5th December 2017;
- (c) "Nominated agency" means entities mentioned in list 32 of Notification No. 50/2017-Customs, dated 30th June, 2017^1 published in Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (i), vide No. G. S. R. 785(E), dated 30th June, 2017;
- (d) "Heading" means heading as specified in the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 (Act No. 51 of 1975).
 - 2. This notification shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 2019.

Rate of tax on intra-State supply of certain services— Amendments (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 6 Revenue (CT-II), [27/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 29th January, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 9, sub-section (1) of section 11, sub-section (5) of section 15 and sub-section (1) of section 16 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Telangana Act No. 23 of 2017), the State Government on the recommendations of the Council and on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby makes the following amendments in Notification No. 11/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette, Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017, namely:—

- 1. In the said notification,—
 - (i) in the Table,—
- (a) against serial number 3, in column (3), in item (xii), after the brackets, figures and word "(xi) above", the word and number "and serial number 38 below" shall be *inserted*;
- (b) against serial number 7, in column (3), in item (i), in *Explanation 1*, the words "school, college" shall be *omitted*;
 - (c) against serial number 8,—
- (A) after item (iv) in column (3), and the entries relating thereto, in columns (3), (4) and (5), the following shall be *inserted*, namely:—

^{1.} See [2018] 4 GSTR-OL (St.) 147.

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(3)	(4)	(5)
"(iva) Transportation of passengers, with or	2.5	Provided that credit of input tax
without accompanied baggage, by air, by		charged on goods used in
non-scheduled air transport service or charter		supplying the service has not
operations, engaged by specified organisa-		been taken (Please refer to
tions in respect of religious pilgrimage facili-		clause (iv) of paragraph 4 relat-
tated by the Government of India, under		ing to Explanation)";
bilateral arrangement.		-

- (B) in column (3), in item (vii), after the brackets and figures "(iv),", the brackets and figures "(iva)," shall be *inserted*;
- (d) against serial number 15, for item (vi) in column (3) and the entries relating thereto, in columns (3), (4) and (5), the following shall be *substituted*, namely:—

(3)	(4)	(5)
"(vi) Service of third party insurance of "goods carriage"	6	-
(vii) Financial and related services other than (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), and (vi) above.	9	-";

(e) against serial number 17, for item (viii) in column (3) and the entries relating thereto in columns (3), (4) and (5), the following shall be *substituted*, namely:—

(3)	(4)	(5)
"(viia) Leasing or renting of goods	Same rate of Central tax as applicable on supply of like goods involving transfer of title in goods	
(viii) Leasing or rental services, with or without operator, other than (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii) and (viia) above	9	-";

- (f) against serial number 21, in column (3), in item (ii), after the brackets, figures and word "(i) above", the words and number "and serial number 38 below" shall be *inserted*;
- (g) against serial number 25, in column (3), in item (ii), after the brackets, figures and word "(i) above", the words and number "and serial number 38 below" shall be *inserted*;
 - (h) against serial number 34,—
- (A) against item (ii) in column (3), for the entry in column (4), the entry "6" shall be *substituted*;
- (B) after item (ii) in column (3), and the entries relating thereto in columns (3), (4) and (5), the following shall be *inserted*, namely:—

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(3)	(4)	(5)
"(iia) Services by way of admission to exhibition of cinematograph films	9	-";
where price of admission ticket is above one hundred rupees.		

- (C) in item (iiia), the words "exhibition of cinematograph films," shall be omitted;
- (D) in column (3), in item (vi), after the brackets and figures "(ii),", the brackets and figures "(iia)," shall be inserted;
- (i) after serial number 37 in column (1) and the entries relating thereto in columns (2), (3), (4) and (5) the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
"38.	9954 or	Service by way of construction or engineering or	9	-";
	9983 or	installation or other technical services, provided in		
4	9987	relation of setting up of following,—		
		(a) Bio-gas plant		
		(b) Solar power based devices		
		(c) Solar power generating system		
		(d) Wind mills, wind operated electricity generator (WOEG)		
		(e) Waste to energy plants/devices		
		(f) Ocean waves/tidal waves energy devices/plants		
		Explanation: This entry shall be read in conjunction with serial number 234 of Schedule I of the Notification No. 1/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017.	7	

- (ii) in paragraph 4 relating to *Explanation*, after clause (x), the following clauses shall be *inserted*, namely :—
 - "(xi) 'specified organisation' shall mean,—
- (a) Kumaon Mandal Vikas Nigam Limited, a Government of Uttarakhand Undertaking ; or
- (b) 'Committee' or 'State Committee' as defined in section 2 of the Haj Committee Act, 2002 (Act No. 35 of 2002).
- (xii) "goods carriage" has the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (14) of section 2 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Act No. 59 of 1988).".
 - 2. This notification shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 2019.

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Exemption to intra-State supply of certain services— Amendments (Telangana)

Notification G. O. Ms No. 6 Revenue (CT-II), [28/2018-State Tax (Rate)], dated 29th January, 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 11 of the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Telangana Act. No. 23 of 2017), the State Government, on being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following further amendments in Notification No. 12/2017-State Tax (Rate), issued in G. O. Ms No. 110, Revenue (CT-II) Department, dated June 29, 2017, published in Telangana Gazette Part I, Extraordinary No. 191/A, dated June 30, 2017 and as amended from time to time, namely:—

In the said notification,—

- (i) in the Table,—
- (a) after serial number 21A and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely:—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
21B	Heading 9965 or Heading 9967	Services provided by a goods transport agency, by way of transport of goods in a goods carriage, to,— (a) a Department or Establishment of the	9	-";
		Central Government or State Government or Union Territory; or (b) local authority; or		
		(c) Governmental agencies, which has taken registration under the Telangana Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Act No. 23 of 2017) only for the purpose of deducting tax under section 51 and not for making a taxable supply of goods or services.		

(b) after serial number 27 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely :—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
27A	Heading 9971	Services provided by a banking company to basic saving bank deposit (BSBD) account holders under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY).	Nil	Nil";

(c) against serial number 34A, in the entry in column (3), after the letters and words "PSUs from the", the words "banking companies and" shall be *inserted*;

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(d) against serial number 66, for the entry in column (2), the following entry shall be *substituted*, namely :—

"Heading 9992 or Heading 9963";

- (e) serial number 67 and the entries relating thereto, shall be *omitted*;
- (f) after serial number 74 and the entries relating thereto, the following serial number and entries shall be *inserted*, namely :—

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
"74A	Heading 9993	Services provided by Rehabilitation professionals recognised under the Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992 (34 of 1992) by way of rehabilitation, therapy or counselling and such other activity as covered by the said Act at medical establishments, educational institutions, rehabilitation centers established by Central Government, State Government or Union Territory or an entity registered under section 12AA of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (Act No. 43 of 1961).	Nil	Nil;"

- (ii) in paragraph 2, after clause (za), the following clause shall be *inserted*, namely :—
- "(zaa) "financial institution" has the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (c) of section 45-I of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934)."
 - 2. This notification shall come into force on the 1st day of January, 2019.

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