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CIRCUAR (No. 03/2020-21 - GST)

Subject: Clarification in respect of certain challenges faced by the registered persons in implementation of provisions of GST Laws-reg.

Circular No. 01/2020-21 - GST, dated 16.06.2020 and Circular No. 02/2020-21 - GST, dated 25.06.2020 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 Goa Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the "Goa GST 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 Goa GST Act were brought to the notice of the Commissioner, 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 Commissioner, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the Goa GST Act hereby clarifies as under:

No.		Clarification
Issues related to Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016		
Fin(R&C)(12 March, 2020 section 148 Act provided / CIRP is re	No. 38/1/2017-31), dated 30th 0, issued under of the Goa GST d that an IRP equired to take a distration within	Vide notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(147) dated 05 th June, 2020, the time limit required for obtaining registration by the IRP/RP in terms of special procedure prescribed vide notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(131), dated 30th March, 2020

has been extended. Accordingly, IRP/RP

30 days of the issuance of

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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.

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. The notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(131), dated 30th March, 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 sought whether IRP would be required to take a fresh registration even they are complying with all the provisions of the GST Law under the registration 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. The notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(131), dated 30th March, 2020 was issued to devise a special procedure to overcome the requirement of sequential filing of FORM GSTR-3B under GST and to align it with the provisions of the IBC Act, 2016. The said notification has been amended vide notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(147) dated 05th June, 2020 so as to specifically provide that debtors who have not corporate 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.
- 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 Goa GST 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 present notification has used terms IRP and RP interchangeably. and in cases where an appointed IRP is not ratified and a separate RP is appointed, whether the same GSTIN shall be transferred from the IRP to RP, or both will need to take fresh registration.
- i. In cases where the RP is not the same as IRP, or in cases where a different IRP/RP is appointed midway during the insolvency process, the change in the GST system may be carried out by an amendment in the registration form. Changing the authorized signatory is a non- core 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 authority Primary authorized 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 considered as a distinct person on every such change after initial 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 Company 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.

Other COVID-19 related representations.

- 4. As per notification no. 38/1/2017-fin(R&C)
 - (40/2017-Rate)/3942 dated
- i. Vide notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(148), dated 05th June, 2020, time limit for compliance of any



02/11/2017, a registered supplier is allowed to supply the goods to a registered recipient (merchant exporter) at 0.1% 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-à-vis the exemption provided vide notification no. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(148), dated 05th June, 2020.

- action by any person which falls during the period from 20.03.2020 to 29.06.2020 has been extended up to 30.06.2020, where completion or compliance of such action has not been made within such time.
- ii. Notification no. 38/1/2017-fin(R&C)(40/2017-Rate)/3942 dt. 02/11/2017 was issued under powers conferred by section 11 of the Goa GST Act, 2017. The exemption provided in notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(148), dated 05th June, 2020 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 20.03.2020 to 29.06.2020.
- Sub-rule (3) of that rule 45 of Goa GST 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 25.04.2020. Clarification has

Time limit for compliance of any action by any person which falls during the period from 20.03.2020 to 29.06.2020 has been extended up to 30.06.2020 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 30.06.2020.

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been sought as to whether the extension of time limit as provided in terms of notification No. 38/1/2017-Fin(R&C)(148), dated 05th June, 2020 also covers furnishing of FORM GST ITC-04 for quarter ending March, 2020

4. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the undersigned.



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Note: Similar circular is issued under Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 by the GST Policy wing, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, GOI, New Delhi vide Circular no. 138/08/2020-GST dated 6th May, 2020.