





GST Trail

Key Highlights of GST Notifications and Clarification Circulars

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Notification Updates

Notification 55/2023 - Central Tax - dated 20 December 2023

The due date for filing Form GSTR-3B for November 2023 has been extended to 27 December 2023 for a person whose Principal Place of business is situated in districts of Chennai, Tiruvallur, Chengalpattu and Kancheepuram in the state of Tamil Nadu.

Notification 56/2023 - Central Tax - dated 28 December 2023

The time limit for issuance of an order in GST as per Section 73 has been extended as under.

- 1. FY 18-19 It is 30 April 2024; and
- 2. FY 19-20 It is 31 August 2024.

Instruction Updates

Instruction No.<u>05/2023</u>-GST dated 13 December 2023

The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has instructed field formations pursuant to Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgment dated 19 May 2022 in the case of CC, CE & ST, Bangalore (Adj.), etc. vs. Northern Operating Systems Private Limited (NOS) in Civil Appeal No. 2289-2293 of 2021 to undertake careful consideration of its distinct factual matrix, including the terms of the contract between the overseas company and Indian entity, to determine taxability or its extent under GST.





Technical Updates

Advisory for Pilot Project of Biometric-Based Aadhaar Authentication and Document Verification for GST Registration Applicants of Andhra Pradesh

Rule 8 of the CGST Rules, 2017 has been amended to provide that an applicant can be identified on the common portal, based on data analysis and risk parameters for biometric-based Aadhaar Authentication and taking a photograph of the applicant along with the verification of the original copy of the documents uploaded with the application. The GSTN has developed the said functionality. The GSTN now also provides for document verification and appointment booking process. The advisory elaborates upon the procedure for OTP-based Aadhaar Authentication as well as biometric authentication and document verification post submission of Form GST REG-01.

Advisory: Two-factor Authentication for Taxpayers (2FA)

The process of 2FA will be rolled out for Punjab, Chandigarh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan and Delhi in 1st phase. In 2nd phase, it is planned to be rolled out in all states across India. The taxpayers are requested to keep their email and mobile numbers of authorized signatories updated on the GST Portal to receive the OTP communication. This OTP would only be asked, in case the taxpayer changes the system (desktop or laptop or browser) and location and is effective from 1 December 2023.

Advisory: Date extension for reporting opening balance for ITC reversal

For supporting taxpayers, an opportunity to declare the opening balance for ITC reversal in the statement has been extended till 31 January 2024. Also, only three amendment opportunities shall be provided to correct the opening balance in case of any mistakes or inaccuracies in reporting. The facility to amend the declared opening balance for ITC reversal will be available till 29 February 2024.









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