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01 CENTRAL BOARD OF DIRECT TAXES

Extension of timelines for filing of Income-tax returns and various reports of audit for the Assessment Year 2021-22

The Central Board of Direct Taxes provides relaxation in electronic filing of various reports of audit under the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (Act) on considering of difficulties reported by the taxpayers due to COVID. Some of the relaxations are as below:,

- 1. The due date of furnishing of Report of Audit under any provision of the Act for the Previous Year 2020-21, is hereby further extended to 15th February, 2022.
- 2. The due date of furnishing of Report from an Accountant by persons entering into international transaction or specified domestic transaction under section 92E of the Act for the Previous Year 2020-21, is hereby further extended to 15th March, 2022.
- 3. The due date of furnishing of Return of Income for the Assessment Year 2021-22, is hereby further extended to 15th March, 2022

Read at:

https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/circular/circular-no-1-2022.pdf

Exemption Notification of Specified Incomes of International Financial Services Centres Authority. Notification No. 3/2022 [F. No. 300196/11/2021-ITA-I] / SO 145(E)

The Central Government hereby exempts the following incomes of 'International Financial Services Centres Authority, in exercise of powers conferred by clause (46) of section 10 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961) namely: -

- a) Grant-in-aid received from Central Government;
- b) Fees and charges received by International Financial Services Centres Authority Act, 2019;
- c) Any other sums received by International Financial Services Centres Authority as decided by the Central Government; and
- d) Interest income accrued

Read more at:

https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/notification/notification-3-2022.pdf

Press Release:

Income Tax Department conducts searches in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

The Income Tax Department carried out a search and seizure operations on 05.01.2022 on three real estate developers, engaged in the business of land development as well as construction activities in the town of Kurnool and other mofussil areas of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. More than two dozen premises have been covered in the search operation spread over Kurnool, Ananthapur, Kadapa, Nandyal, Bellary, etc.

The said operation has lead to seizure of unaccounted cash of Rs. 1.64 crores and detection of estimated unaccounted cash transactions to the tune of Rs. 800 crores.

Read more at:

https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/Lists/Press%20Releases/Attachments/1048/PressRelease-ITD-conducts-searches-in-AP-and-Telangana10-1-22.pdf



Press Release:

Income Tax Department conducts searches in Kerala

The Income Tax Department carried out search and seizure operation on 05.01.2022 on two groups, engaged in the business of quarry operation. More than 35 premises spread across districts of Kottayam, Eranakulam, Thrissur, Palakkad and Kannur have been covered in the search operation.

The said operation has lead to seizure of unaccounted cash of Rs. 2.3 crores and detection of estimated unaccounted income to the tune of Rs. 200 crores.

Read more at:

https://incometaxindia.gov.in/Lists/Press%20Releases/Attachments/1049/PressRelease-ITD-conducts-searches-in-Kerala-10-2-22.pdf

02 CENTRAL BOARD OF INDIRECT TAXES

Release a new functionality of Interest Calculator in GSTR-3B

Updates on the new functionality of interest calculator has been released in GSTR-3B, for assisting the taxpayers in doing a correct self-assessment. It will arrive at the system computed interest on the basis of the tax liability values declared by taxpayers. The interest applicable on the tax liability declared in the GSTR-3B of a particular tax-period will be computed after the filing of the said GSTR-3B. The facility would be similar to the collection of Late fees for GSTR-3B, filed after the Due date, posted in the next period's GSTR-3B.

For more:

https://www.gst.gov.in/newsandupdates/read/519

De-Activation of IECs not updated at DGFT DGFT Issued Trade Notice No. 31/2021-22 dated 14.01.2022

Notifies de-activation of IECs with effect from 01.02.2022 which have not been updated with DGFT after 01.07.2020. It was mandated by DGFT in Notification No. 58/2015-2020 dated 12.02.2021, 11/2015-2020 dated 01.07.2021, 16/2015-2020 dated 09.08.2021 to all IEC holders to ensure that details in their IEC is updated electronically every year during April-June period. Further this notification also provides guidelines for automatic re-activation of IEC with DGFT after 31.01.2022.

For more:

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/8fff07ac-67b7-4ffc-a37b-682eb091c578/Trade%20Notice%2031%20-%20De-Activation%20of%20IECs-%203rd%20phase.pdf



Inclusion of Paragraph 2.79G in the Handbook of Procedures (HBP) of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 DGFT Issued Public Notice No. 45/2015-20 dated 13.01.2022

Notifies the inclusion of Paragraph 2.79G in the Handbook of Procedures (HBP) of the Foreign Trade Policy (FTP) 2015-20 which specifies:

- A. The procedure for General Authorisation for Export of Chemicals and related equipment (GAEC) under SCOMET List
- B. Post reporting for export / re-export of items under GAEC
- C. Record keeping
- D. General conditions and exclusions
- E. Validity
- F. Suspension/Revocation

For more:

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/ac7e7ff8-346f-4fa4-b8a0-9b6a6285cb37/PN%2045%20English.pdf

Amendment of Para 2.54 (d)(v)(iv) of Handbook of Procedures, 2015-2020 DGFT Issued Public Notice No. 46/2015-20 dated 14.01.2022

Seeks to amend Para 2.54 (d)(v)(iv) of Handbook of Procedures (HBP), 2015-2020 which notifies import of metallic waste and scrap from 6 safe countries / regions without Pre-shipment Inspection Certificate (PSIC). Previously, the total number of seaports exempted for PSIC for import of metallic scrap under Para 2.54(d)(v)(iv) of HBP was 8 which is now increased to 10 including Hazira port and Kamarajar port.

For more:

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/3790b2c2-3c14-4133-8f28-58ac103aa9b0/PN%2046%20E.pdf

Guidelines for submission of online application for One time registration for SCOMET license DGFT Issued Trade Notice No. 30/2021-22 dated 13.01.2022

Seeks to issue guidelines for submission of online application for one time registration for SCOMET license and Post-reporting requirements for Export of chemicals under General authorization for export of Chemicals and related equipments (GAEC). The one-time registration for obtaining General SCOMET license is required to be obtained from DGFT for export under GAEC separately for each Category/Sub-Category falling under this policy. Post Reporting of export of chemicals under GAEC permitted to specified countries also required to be filled through DGFT online post-reporting module for exports.

This shall come into effect from 19.01.2022.

For more:

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/8cd9f2c4-ec9e-4434-ace7-539f7112e17f/Trade%20Notice%2030%2013.01.2022-.pdf



Fixation of Tariff Value of Edible Oils, Brass Scrap, Areca Nut, Gold and Silver Notification No. 03/2022-Customs (N.T.), Dated. 14.01.2022

Seeks to fix the Tariff Values of Edible Oils, Brass Scraps, Areca Nut, Gold and Silver by the powers vested in by the Customs Act, 1962 thereby makes an amendment to the notification no. 36/2001-Customs (N.T.) dated 03/08/2001 given by the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), published in the Gazette of India, considering it necessary and expedient to do. The notification shall take its effect or come into force from 15th January, 2022.

For more:

https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2022/cs-nt2022/csnt03-2022.pdf

Revokes Anti-Dumping Duty on Imports of "Colour coated/pre-painted flat products of alloy or non-alloy steel" Notification No. 02/2022-Customs (ADD), Dated. 13.01.2022

Seeks to revoke Anti-Dumping Duty on Imports of "Colour coated/pre-painted flat products of alloy or non-alloy steel", falling under headings 7210, 7212, 7225 or 7226 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, originating in, or exported from the People's Republic of China and European Union, and imported into India. Hence, it hereby rescinds the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) No. 49/2017-Customs (ADD), dated the 17th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such rescission.

For more:

https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2022/cs-add2022/csadd02-2022.pdf

Amendment in Export Policy of Enoxaparin and Intra-Venous Immunoglobulin (IVIG) DGFT Issued Notification No. 50/2015-2020 dated 10.01.2022

Seeks to notify the amendment in the export policy of Enoxaparin (formulation and API) and Intra-Venous Immunoglobulin (IVIG) (formulation and API) made by the Central Government, in Chapter 29 & 30 of Schedule 2 of the ITCHS Export Policy 2018. The export policy of Enoxaparin and Intra-Venous Immunoglobulin (IVIG) falling under the ITC (HS) Codes specified or under any other HS Code has been put under the restricted category, with immediate effect.

For more:

https://content.dgft.gov.in/Website/dgftprod/92f4d644-da4e-4425-9d5d-d8ad764f828f/Noti%2050%20Eng.pdf



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03 MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

Relaxation of levy of additional fees in filing e – forms

On account of representations received from various stakeholders, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs has provided relaxation of levy of additional fees for the financial year ended 31st March 2021 up to 15th February, 2022 for the filing of e- forms AOC – 4, AOC – 4 (CFS), AOC – 4 (XBRL), AOC – 4 (Non – XBRL) and up to 28th February, 2022 for filing of e- forms MGT – 7/MGT – 7A.

Read more -

https://www.mca.gov.in/bin/dms/getdocument?mds=y7MsuJR2BoOvDvpg8FREsg%253D%253D&type=open

04 RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Reserve Bank of India imposes monetary penalty on Gayatri Co-operative Urban Bank Ltd., Jagtial, Telangana State

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed, by an order, a monetary penalty of ₹1.00 lakh (Rupees one lakh only) on Gayatri Co-operative Urban Bank Ltd., Jagtial, Telangana (the bank) for contravention of / non-compliance with provisions

Read more:

https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=53075



Auction of Government of India Dated Securities

Government of India (GOI) has announced the sale (issue/re-issue) of three dated securities for a notified amount of ₹24,000 crore

Read more:

https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/BS_PressReleaseDisplay.aspx?prid=53077

05 FOREIGN EXCHANGE AND MANAGEMENT ACT

Overseas Direct Investment for December 2021

Press Release: 2021-2022/1521 Dated: Jan 10, 2022.

The Reserve Bank of India has today released the data on Overseas Direct Investment, both under Automatic Route and the Approval Route, for the month of December 2021.

For More: -

https://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/FS_PressRelease.aspx?fn=5

06 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA

Notification of Electronic Gold Receipts as securities under SCRA 1956

The Central Government in exercise of its powers conferred by sub-clause (iia) of clause (h) of section 2 of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956 (42 of 1956), (hereinafter referred to as the said Act) has declared "Electronic Gold Receipt" as securities for the purpose of the said Act.

Read More:

https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/gazette-notification/jan-2022/notification-of-electronic-gold-receipts-as-securities-under-scra-1956_55247.html



Framework for operationalizing the Gold Exchange in India

The SEBI Board in its meeting has approved the framework for Gold Exchange and SEBI (Vault Managers) Regulations, 2021.

In addition to this, the Government of India has declared "Electronic Gold Receipts" (EGR) as 'securities' under section 2(h)(iia) of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act 1956. The framework for Gold Exchange is given in Annexure 1 of the notification.

Read more:

https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2022/framework-for-operationalizing-the-gold-exchange-in-india_55251.html

Grant of recognition to CDSL Ventures Limited as an Accreditation Agency

Post examination of the applications received from entities for recognition as Accreditation Agency, SEBI has granted CDSL Ventures Limited (CVL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) recognition as an Accreditation Agency.

This recognition has been granted under Regulation 2(1)(aa) of SEBI (Alternative Investment Funds) Regulations, 2012 read with the SEBI circular dated August 26, 2021 which relates to modalities for implementation of the framework for Accredited Investors.

The recognition has been granted for a period of three years with effect from February 01, 2022 and renewal shall be subject to satisfactory performance by CVL.

Read more:

https://www.sebi.gov.in/media/press-releases/jan-2022/grant-of-recognition-to-cdsl-ventures-limited-as-an-accreditation-agency_55304.html

07 THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT OF INDIA

Important Announcement - ISA-AT - 8th January, 2022 - (08-01-2022)

Considering the prevailing COVID 19 situation in India, the restrictions imposed by the State Governments & Local Authorities and to protect overall interest and wellbeing of the candidates who could not appear in ISA AT examination held on 8th January, 2022, it has been decided to carry forward the examination fees of such candidates to the immediate next ISA-AT examination.

For More: -

https://www.icai.org/post/isa-at-8th-january-2022



Handbook on Best Practices for Registered Valuers. - (10-01-2022)

ICAI Registered Valuers Organization along with the Valuation Standards Board of ICAI has brought out this publication – "Handbook on Best Practices for Registered Valuers", which is a compilation of best practices that can be adopted by the Registered Valuers while undertaking any Valuation Assignment and this Handbook will serve as a reference point for them.

For More: -

https://resource.cdn.icai.org/68829vsb55023bprv.pdf

Calendar of Trigger dates of Valuation under Various Laws - (10-01-2022)

ICAI has published booklet on trigger dates of valuation under various laws.

For More: -

https://resource.cdn.icai.org/68816vsb55023c.pdf

Campus for Newly Qualified Chartered Accountants (NQCAs) - February-March, 2022 - (10-01-2022)

Any corporation, irrespective of its size, standing in the market and boundary of its business, can take part in this placement programme being held at several centers across the country during February- March, 2022.

ICAI simply acts as a facilitator to bring the recruiter and NQCAs together.

For More: -

https://resource.cdn.icai.org/68817cmib55033.pdf

Announcement - Postponement of Convocation 2021-22 at Indore - (10-01-2022)

Keeping in view of the Order issued by the Government of Madhya Pradesh owing to transmission of COVID -19 virus rapidly, the Convocation scheduled to be held on 17th January, 2022 at Indore stands postponed till further orders.

For More: -

https://www.icai.org/post/postponement-of-convocation-2021-22-at-indore



ICAI concerns submitted to NFRA on (i) Returning of "Revision of Existing Accounting Standards: Approach Paper (2020) prepared by ICAI" and (ii) issuance of Consultation Paper on "Statutory Audit and Auditing Standards for MSMCs" by NFRA - (14-01-2022)

- 1. ICAI proposes that NFRA deliberate the revised approach paper and the standards at its full meeting of its members.
- 2. Consultation paper on Statutory Audit and Auditing Standards for MSMCs, be withdrawn forthwith and deliberated at a full meeting of its members.

This is to mention here that the mode of communication opted by NFRA i.e talking through media should not be opted and this kind of matters of relevance should be discussed with the board members at the NFRA Board meeting.

For More: -

https://resource.cdn.icai.org/68842clcgc55070.pdf

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