

फा0 संख्या: I(Gen) 30-01/18-19/GST/T/Pt-I フップッン इन्दौर, दिनांक 01.03.2019

इस पत्र के साथ मंत्रालय से प्राप्त अधिसूचना / परिपत्र / निर्देश व्यापार सूचना / जन सूचना / मुख्यालय इन्दौर से जारी पत्र संख्या Trade Notice No. 71/2018-19 dated 01.03.2019 की प्रति आयुक्तालय, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, इन्दौर के निम्नलिख्ति अधिकारियों एवं अन्य की सूचना / मार्ग दर्शन एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु अग्रेषित की जा रही है :

- 1 मुख्य आयुक्त, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, भोपाल ।
- 2 आयुक्त, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, मुख्यालय इन्दौर ।
- 3 आयुक्त, (अपील) केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, भोपाल ।
- 4 अपर आयुक्तं, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, इन्दौर
- 5 उप आयुक्त (System), केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, इन्दौर ।
- 6 सभी उप आयुक्त / सहायक आयुक्त , केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, इन्दौर (Preventive/Review/Legal/Confidential/Technical(ST)) ।
- 7 अभी प्रभागीय उप / सहायक आयुक्त, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, इन्दौर-1/11/11/1V/V/VI/VII/VIII Dewas
- 16 प्रमुख लेखा अधिकारी, केन्द्रीय माल एवं सेवाकर एवं केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क इन्दौर ।
- 17 Shri Rajan Pillai, The Indore Customs House Agents Association, 405, Alankar Point, Geeta Bhawan Square, A.B.Road, Indore.
- 18 The Chairman Association of Industries Madhya Pradesh, 6, Polo Ground, Above State Bank of India, Indore.
- 19 The Chairman, The Madhya Pradesh Textile Mills Association, Jail Sabhagraha, 56/1, South Tukoganj, Indore.
- 20 The Chairman, All India Manufacturers Organisation, 10, Polo Ground, Industrial Estate, Indore- 452003.
- 21 The Chairman, Indore Branch of CIRC of ICAI, ICAI Bhavan, Plot No.19-B, Scheme No.78, Near SICA School, Indore.
- 22 The Chairman, Tax Practioner's Association, Room No.17, Ground Floor, Aayakar Bhavan (Main Building), Opposite White Church, Indore. 23 गार्ड / गार्डटर फाईल ।

संलग्नः उपरोक्तानुसार

सुभाष पुजारी अधीक्षक (तकनीकी) सीजीएसटी एवं केंद्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क, मुख्यालय इंदौर



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TRADE NOTICE NO.71/2018-19

Dated: 01.03.2019

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## Subject: GST on Services of Business Facilitator (BF) or a Business Correspondent (BC) to Banking Company -reg.

Copy of Circular No. 86/05/2019-GST dated 01.01.2019 issued under F. No. 354/428/2018-TRU Technical Officer (TRU), Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, CBIC, New Delhi is communicated herewith.

2. The contents of the Trade Notice may be brought to the knowledge of all constituent members of Trade Associations/ Chamber of Commerce and Industry/Members of RAC and all others concerned persons under the jurisdiction of CGST Commissionerate Indore.

(Issued from file C. No. I(Gen)30-01/18-19/GST/T/Pt-I)

(Neerav Kumar Mallick) Commissioner

To,

As per mailing list.

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#### Circular No. 86/05/2019- GST

### F. No. 354/428/2018-TRU Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue Tax research Unit

### Room No. 156, North Block, New Delhi, the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 201

The Principal Chief Commissioners/ Chief Commissioners/ Principal Commissioners/ Commissioner of Central Tax (All) / The Principal Director Generals/ Director Generals (All)

Madam/Sir,

To,

# Subject: GST on Services of Business Facilitator (BF) or a Business Correspondent (BC) to Banking Company- reg.

Representations have been received seeking clarification on following two issues:

(i) What is the value to be adopted for the purpose of computing GST on services provided by BF/BC to a banking company?

(ii) What is the scope of services provided by BF/BC to a banking company with respect to accounts in its rural area branch that are eligible for existing GST exemption?

2. The matter has been examined. The issues involved are clarified as follows:

2.1 <u>Issue 1: Clarification on value of services by BF/BC to a banking company:</u> As per RBI's Circular No. DBOD.No.BL.BC. 58/22.01.001/2005-2006 dated 25.01.2006 and subsequent instructions on the issue (referred to as 'guidelines' hereinafter), banks may pay reasonable commission/fee to the BC, the rate and quantum of which may be reviewed periodically. The agreement of banks with the BC specifically prohibits them from directly charging any fee to the customers for services rendered by them on behalf of the bank. On the other hand, banks (and not BCs) are permitted to collect reasonable service charges from the customers for such service in a transparent manner. The arrangements of banks with the Business Correspondents specify the requirement that the transactions are accounted for and reflected in the bank's books by end of the day or the next working day, and all agreements/ contracts with the customer shall clearly specify that the bank is responsible to the customer for acts of omission and commission of the Business Facilitator/Correspondent.

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2.3 Hence, banking company is the service provider in the business facilitator model or the business correspondent model operated by a banking company as per RBI guidelines. The banking company is liable to pay GST on the entire value of service charge or fee charged to customers whether or not received via business facilitator or the business correspondent.

3. <u>Issue 2: Clarification on the scope of services by BF/BC to a banking company with respect to accounts in rural areas</u>: It has also been requested that the scope of exemption to services provided in relation to "accounts in its rural area branch" vide SI. No. 39 of Notification No. 12/2017- Central Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017 be clarified. This clarification has been requested as the exemption from tax on services provided by BF/BC is dependent on the meaning of the expression "accounts in its rural area branch".

3.1 It is clarified that for the purpose of availing exemption from GST under Sl. No. 39 of said notification, the conditions flowing from the language of the notification should be satisfied. These conditions are that the services provided by a BF/BC to a banking company in their respective individual capacities should fall under the Heading 9971 and that such services should be with respect to accounts in a branch located in the rural area of the banking company. The procedure for classification of branch of a bank as located in rural area and the services which can be provided by BF/BC, is governed by the RBI guidelines. Therefore, classification adopted by the bank in terms of RBI guidelines in this regard should be accepted.

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Yours Faithfully,

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