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Dr. Sangam Kurade

Hon. Secretary

Mr. Sandeep Sardesai

Imm. Past President

Mr. Atul P. Naik

Hon. Treasurer

Mr. Rajiv Negvi

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Mr. Abhijeet Naik

Mr. Shiv Kumar Patil

Mr. Parag Joshi (Co-opted)

Mr. Sanat Raiturkar

Mr. Naresh Pai

Mr. Suharsh Usgaonkar

Mr. Sameer Keny

Mr. Kiran Shirsat

Mr. Rajesh Khaunte (Co-opted)

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GSIA Advisory Committee Members for 2010-2013**President**

Mr. Shekhar Sardesai

Imm. Past President

Mr. Atul P. Naik

Past Presidents

Mr. Atul Pai Kane

Mr. Sudin Naik

Mr. Keshav Kamat

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GSIA Co-ordination Committee for 2010 - 2013**1. Entrepreneurship Development & Human Capital Committee****Chairman :** Mr. Atul Pai Kane**Members :** Mr. Vivek Kamat, Director, DTE
Mr. Prabodh Kamat, SM, Dempo Group**2. Micro Industries Development Committee****Chairman :** Mr. Rajkumar Kamat**Members :** Mr. Sameer Keny
Mr. Suharsh Usgaonkar**3. Industrial Estate Coordination Committee****Chairman :** Mr. Sandeep Sardesai**Members:** Mr. Kiran Shirsat
Mr. Abhijeet Naik
Mr. Sameer Keny
Mr. Sanat Pai Raiturkar
Mr. Rajiv Nevgi**4. Taxation/Legal Committee****Chairman:** Mr. Atul P. Naik**Members:** Mr. Keshav Kamat
Mr. Atul Pai Kane
Adv. Y.S. Pai Bir**5. Environmental Protection Committee****Chairman:** Mr. Keshav Kamat**Members:** Mr. Naresh Pai
Mr. Suharsh Usgaonkar**6. Bio Technology Sector & Bio Incubator Committee****Chairman:** Dr. Sangam Kurade**Members :** Mr. Atul P. Naik
Mr. Shekhar Sardesai**7. Communication & Publicity Committee****Chairman:** Mr. Shekhar Sardesai**Members:** Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
Mr. Sanat Pai Raiturkar
Dr. Sangam Kurade
Mr. Atul P. Naik**8. Policy & Strategy Committee****Chairman:** Mr. Parag Joshi**Members:** Mr. Sudin Naik
Mr. Atul Pai Kane
Mr. Keshav Kamat
Mr. Atul P. Naik**9. ITI Development Committee****Chairman:** Mr. Sudesh Rane**Members:** Dr. Sangam Kurade
Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
Mr. Shivkumar Patil



GSIA's Representation on various Committees on the Government/ Government undertakings etc. for the tenure 2008-2010

	COMMITTEE	REPRESENTED BY
1	Goa Industrial Development Corporation (Goa IDC) Board.	President
2	State Level Co-ordination Committee for State Investment Subsidy.	President
3	Power Advisory Committee.	President
4	Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Facilitation Council.	President
5	State Labour Advisory Board.	President
6	Integrated Education Advisory Council, Goa University.	President
7	Governing Board for Entrepreneurship and Business Development Center, Goa University.	President
8	State Minimum Wages Advisory Board.	President
9	State Planning Board/State Level Planning Committee.	President
10	Goa State Pollution Control Board.	President
11	Constitution of Skill Development Mission	President
12	Goa State Employment Subsidy Scheme for Bio Technology Units, 2009	President
13	Interest Subsidy Scheme for Bio Technology Units, 2009	President
14	Goa State Investment Subsidy Scheme for Bio Technology Units, 2009	President
15	Constitution of Sub-Committee to Skill Development Mission	Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
16	Advisory Committee of Bio Incubator Facility (ACBIF)	President /Dr. Sangam Kurade
17	Committee for Assessment of Pollution from specific Sources	Mr. Keshav Kamat
18	State Level Steering Committee for Center of Excellence (COE) Scheme under World Bank.	Dr. Sangam Kurade
19	Vocational Training Provider (VTP) Evaluation Committee(VEC) for Skill Development Initiative Scheme.	Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
20	State Board of Examination constituted by State Council for Vocational Training (SDCT).	Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
21	Human Resource Development Foundation Society.	Dr. Sangam Kurade
22	State Level Steering Committee for IMC's of ITI's.	Dr. Sangam Kurade
23	Federation of Indian Micro and Small & Medium Enterprises (FISME).	Mr. Atul P. Naik
24	Goa Handicrafts Rural Small Scale Industries Development Corporation (GHRSSIDC).	Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
25	Rate Contract Committee under Preferential Purchase Scheme.	Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
26	MSME Development Institute, Margao.	Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
27	Commercial Tax Advisory Committee.	Mr. Atul P. Naik
28	Public Grievance Committee for Customs & Central Excise.	Mr. Atul P. Naik
29	Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) for Customs & Central Excise.	Mr. Atul P. Naik
30	State Level of Inter-Institutional Committee (SLIIC).	President
31	State Level Bankers Committee (SLBC)	President
32	Goa Labour Welfare Board.	Mr. Naresh Pai
33	Regional Board / Local (ESIC) Employees State Insurance Corporation.	Mr. Sameer Keny
34	State Level Committee on Standardization & Quality System.	Mr. Sameer Keny
35	Tool Room & Training Center.	Mr. Sanjeev Trivedi
36	Federation of Association of Small Industries of India (FASII). Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry(FICCI).	Mr. Rajiv Nevgi
37	Controller of Legal Metrology (Weights & Measures).	Mr. Abhijit Naik
38	Regional Committee of Employees Provident Fund for the State of Goa (EPF).	Mr. Sandeep Sardesai
39	College Development Council, Goa University.	President

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President's Message

As I am writing this address, I realize that I have completed two months in office and time is zipping by. I thought I would have some moratorium period on account of my three year term, but there is so much to do, that I had to get into action from day-one.

While the routine action goes on, I am committed of my idea to create a well deliberated strategy for GSIA over the next six months by taking into account the aspirations of all the stakeholders of this association. Our biggest stakeholders are in our Industrial Estates and there is a need to connect with them strongly. Therefore, I have planned to visit all the Industrial Estates and have interaction meetings with the Office Bearers of the Industrial Estate Associations. Two such meeting were held, one with Kundaim Industrial Estate Industries Association (KIEIA) on 22nd July 2010 and one with Margao Industrial Estate Association (MIEA) on 6th September 2010 and I am encouraged by the positive deliberations held with both the associations

and their inputs will help me greatly in shaping my strategy.

The new team of Office Bearers of GSIA for the term 2010-2013 have taken charge, Coordination Committees have been re-constituted and GSIA's representation on various Committees of Government/Government Undertakings have been put in place.

My team and I have met the Hon'ble Chief Minister and some of the other Government Officials in pursuit of an early solution to our various pending issues like power supply, allotment of small plots to Micro and Small Industries, unjustified demand of Central Excise Duty on retained amount of Sales Tax/VAT under NPV Scheme, etc. Good progress has been made on each of these issues and members would be kept apprised of the same through routine communication from the GSIA Secretariat.

Come September, GSIA also proposes to start a new and efficient line of communication with the members through Mass SMS' service. This will give instant update to members on all important issues and news.

I would like to congratulate the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (CCT) for launching e-services for payments and filing of returns under VAT and CST. This was a long pending demand of GSIA. During our meeting, CCT has also agreed to issue Form V, on priority, under NPV Scheme whose exemption period under the Scheme has expired on or before 31-03-2010.

The two biggest issues our members are facing are - availability of land and availability of power. The Industries Department, Government of Goa has now constituted a Task Force Committee, where GSIA President and one of the Past Presidents are the members, to study and identify the underutilized and unutilized plots in various Industrial Estates. This is a good platform for GSIA to work on this biggest problem of availability of land to small entrepreneurs in Goa. On the power front, GSIA has pursued vigorously with the power department to



ensure availability of the required power supply to the new units and expansion of existing units. The recent announcement by Hon'ble Minister of Power regarding lifting of ban on power connections is a welcome development.

Over the next few months, GSIA will organize a visit by GIDC and power department officials to each and every industrial estate to address problems and issues specific to each estate and follow this through for action dedicatedly.

Monsoon is the only season we wait for. This year, so far, we have had a good monsoon and this will ensure that the growth estimates of government agencies will remain on track. The wholesale price-based inflation fell to single digit at 9.97% in July owing to decline in prices of certain food and non-food items. Government of India has recently released the annual supplement to Foreign Trade Policy 2009-2014 and extended sops to exporters. Let us hope all these measures will help to boost Industrial output.

As the leader of the new team, I would like to assure you, that my team and I are committed to strengthen GSIA and make it a vibrant organization for the development of Industrial Sector in Goa.

***WISHING YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY GANESH CHATURTHI.
MAY LORD GANESHA SHOWER ABUNDANT BLESSINGS ON YOU AND YOUR FAMILY***

With warm regards,
Shekhar Sardesai.



Association Activities

1. MEETING WITH NEW COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, CENTRAL EXCISE AND SERVICE TAX

On 8th July 2010 GSIA Office Bearers met the New Commissioner of Customs Central Excise and Service Tax, Mr. M. Suresh and briefed him on all developments on the issue-Excise Notices on NPV Scheme. A copy of the representation sent on the same issue to Commissioner of Customs, Pune, was also handed over to him. He informed that at this stage he cannot reverse the process already initiated but can act only on directions of Finance Ministry. President Mr. Shekhar Sardesai informed him that GSIA will require some time to meet Finance Minister and requested him to slow down the process of adjudication of Show Cause Notices.

2. MEETING WITH DIRECTOR, DIRECTORATE OF INDUSTRIES, TRADE AND COMMERCE

On 12th July 2010 GSIA Office Bearers represented by Mr. Shekhar Sardesai, President, Atul P. Naik, Imm. Past President, Mr. Sandeep Sardesai, Hon. Secretary, Dr. Sangam Kurade, Vice- President & Mr. J.B. Pinto, Executive Secretary called on Mr. Sanjit Rodrigues, Director, Directorate of Industries, Trade and Commerce and requested him to arrange for a meeting of Goa Govt. Officials, Chief Minister and Industry Representatives with Finance Ministry Officials to explain the provisions of Goa NPV Scheme and stop the process of adjudication of Show Cause Notices.

3. MEETING WITH CHIEF MINISTER

On 18th July 2010 President Mr. Shekhar Sardesai, Imm. Past President Mr. Atul P. Naik and Hon. Secretary Mr. Sandeep Sardesai called on Chief Minister, who have assured to call a meeting of Finance Secretary, Secretary Industries, Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Director, Directorate of Industries, Trade and Commerce, and representatives of GSIA to finalize the necessary steps on behalf of Govt. of Goa to take up the matter on Excise Notices on NPV Scheme, with Finance Minister to issue necessary instructions to the concerned authorities for a final solution to the issue.

4. MEETING WITH OFFICE BEARERS OF KUNDAIM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE INDUSTRIES ASSOCIATION (KIEIA).

On 22nd July 2010 GSIA team represented by President Mr. Shekhar Sardesai, Imm. Past President -Mr. Atul P. Naik, Executive Committee Members namely Mr. Kiran Shirsat & Mr. Shivkumar Patil, Co-opted Member Mr. Rajesh Khaunte & Executive Secretary Mr. J.B. Pinto called on Kundaim Industrial Estate Industries Association (KIEIA) for an interaction meeting with their Office Bearers.

Mr. Benigno Afonso- President, Mr. J. Kamat-Hon. Secretary & other members of KIEIA were present for the interaction meeting. Mr. Benigno Afonso welcomed President and Imm. Past President of GSIA, for having come to KIEIA to have an interaction meeting. He said we need a strong and vibrant GSIA to take up all the issues forward.

Mr. Shekhar Sardesai said that GSIA needs the support and cooperation of all the Industrial Estate Associations so that we create our own constituency and take collective action. Issues affecting Kundaim Industrial Estate namely Allotment of Plots, Truck Terminal, Job outsourcing by big industries, Frequent Power Shutdown, Exorbitant Pollution Fees, ESIC benefits etc were discussed.



GSIA team & Office Bearers of KIEIA during Interaction Meeting at KIEIA



5. MEETING WITH COMMISSIONER OF COMMERCIAL TAXES

On 28th July 2010 GSIA team namely Mr. Shekhar Sardesai-President, Mr. Sandeep Sardesai-Hon. Secretary, Mr. Atul P. Naik- Imm. Past President, Past Presidents- Mr. Parag Joshi, Mr. Keshav Kamat & Executive Secretary Mr. J.B. Pinto called on Commissioner of Commercial Taxes and discussed various issues affecting GSIA members. The issues which came up for discussion were -Demand of Central Excise Duty on Sales Tax retained by industries under NPV Scheme, Issuing of Form V to all assesseees for extension of NPV Scheme, Setting up of Task Force Committee on GST, Online Payment of VAT & e-filing of returns, Formation of Advisory/Public Grievance Committee, Submission of Form XXXIII with quarterly returns. CCT assured full cooperation and said that he will always have positive approach towards industries.

6. MEETING WITH MD- GIDC MR. AJIT NAIK

On 10th August 2010 Office Bearers/Advisory Committee Members of GSIA had a meeting with MD- GIDC Mr. Ajit Naik. The main points taken up for discussion were:- (i)availability of small plots of land to SSI units and modalities for allotment of small plots as announced by CM in Goa Assembly and (ii) basic infrastructure like roads, power, truck terminal, security etc at Industrial Estates. MD-GIDC has agreed to form Screening Committee for allotment of small plots to SSI units where GSIA will be a member. MD has also agreed to visit some of the Industrial Estates with Chairman, GIDC and representatives of Industries to sort out their infrastructure grievances.

GSIA has appreciated the positive approach of Managing Director, Mr. Ajit Naik in solving the problems of MSME's in Goa and thanked him for his support and cooperation.

7. MEETING WITH CHIEF ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

On 26th August 2010, GSIA team represented by, Mr. Shekhar Sardesai, President, Mr. Shivkumar Patil & Mr. Naresh Pai, Executive Committee Members and Mr. J.B. Pinto, Executive Secretary met Mr. Nirmal Braganza, Chief Electrical Engineer and discussed with him the issue of unscheduled Power Shutdowns, supply of additional power for expansion of existing units and denial of power to the new Industries. CEE informed the members that the Department is aware of the Power Shortage and trying their best to solve the problems.

He said the process of purchasing additional 50 MW of round the clock power is in the final stages and as soon as this process is completed the pending demand of small industries will be met.

8. 1ST MEETING OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN CAPITAL COMMITTEE OF GSIA

1st Meeting of Entrepreneurship Development and Human Capital Committee was held on 27th August 2010 under the Chairmanship of Mr. Atul Pai Kane, Past President of GSIA. The Agenda of the meeting was to chalk out the plan of action to promote entrepreneurship development initiatives and to build up the required human capital. Members present for the meeting were Mr. Shekhar Sardesai, President, GSIA, Mr. Sandeep Sardesai, Hon. Secretary, GSIA, Mr. J.B. Pinto, Executive Secretary, GSIA, Mr. Vivek Kamat, Director, Directorate of Technical Education, Mr. Carlos D'Sa, General Manager, EDC Ltd., and Mr. Prabodh Kamat, Senior Manager, Dempo Group.

9. MR. KEITH VAZ MEETS GSIA TEAM DURING FOOD PROCESSING TRADE MISSION TO UK

Leicester East MP Keith Vaz met the members of Goa State Industries Association (GSIA), including Vice-President Dr. Sangam Kurade and Director of Industries, Trade and Commerce Mr. Sanjit Rodrigues, at the House of Common, during Food Processing Trade Mission to UK organised by GSIA from 28th September- 06th October 2009.



Leicester East MP Keith Vaz along with GSIA team during Food Processing Trade Mission to UK





Directory of Meetings for the months of JULY-AUGUST 2010

Date	Meeting	Attended by
01/07/10	Meeting of Advisory Committee on Bio Incubator Facility in Goa at Goa University	President/ Vice President
08/07/10	Task Force Committee Meeting at DITC	Executive Secretary
14/07/10	SLIIC Committee Meeting of RBI, at Hotel Mandovi	President
19/07/10	Micro & Small Facilitation Council Meeting at DITC	Executive Secretary
22/07/10	College Development Council Meeting at Go University	President
24/07/10	Meeting of Advisory Committee on Bi o Incubator Facility in Goa at Goa University	President / Vice President
06/08/10	2 nd Audit Committee Meeting, GHRSSIDC	Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
10/08/10	11 th Micro & Small Enterprises Facilitation Council, DITC	Executive Secretary
11/08/10	Meeting on Natural Gas and Supply Policy for the State of Goa, DITC	President
14/08/10	Meeting of Advisory Committee on Bio Incubator Facility in Goa at Goa University	Vice President
17/08/10	Meeting on setting up of Mini Tool Room at Assagao, DITC	Mr. Sanjeev Tridevi & Executive Secretary
17/08/10	Meeting on Plastic, Solid & Biomedical Waste Management, GSPCB	Mr. Keshav Kamat
19/08/10	98 th Board Meeting of GSPCB	President
20/08/10	GHRSSIDC Board Meeting	Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
23/08/10	319 th Board Meeting, GIDC	President
24/08/10	DITC Meeting on Govt. of Goa's Participation in IIFT	Mr. Rajkumar Kamat
27/08/10	DITC Meeting on Micro & Small Facilitation Council	Executive Secretary
30/08/10	Regional Advisory Committee Meeting	Mr. Atul P. Naik



your business Compliance Calendar

by CA Ashish Verlekar, GSIA

July 2010

a	05 th	Service Tax Payment by Companies
b	07 th	TDS payment
c	15 th	i) PF payment ii) TDS/TCS Quarterly Statement
d	20 th	VAT payment - Tax > 100000
e	21 st	ESIC Payment
f	30 th	VAT payment - Tax < 100000
g	30 th	VAT quarterly returns for April to June
h	31 st	Return of Income, FBT and wealth of non corporate assesseees

August 2010

a.	05 th	Service Tax Payment by Companies
b.	07 th	TDS Payment
c.	15 th	PF Payment
d.	20 th	VAT payment - Tax > 100000
e.	21 st	ESIC Payment
f.	30 th	VAT payment - Tax < 100000



September 2010

a	05 th	Service Tax Payment by Companies
b	07 th	TDS Payment
c.	15 th	i) PF Payment ii) Advance Income Tax & FBT- Installment
d	20 th	VAT payment - Tax > 100000
e	21 st	ESIC Payment
f.	30 th	VAT payment - Tax < 100000
g.	30 th	Return of Income, FBT and Wealth of Companies & others covered under tax audit.





Important Correspondence

Letter dtd.	Addressed to	Subject
01/07/10	The Chairman, ACBIF, Goa University, Taleigao Goa	Suggested various requirements for functioning of Bio Incubator
02/07/10	The Managing Director, GHRSSIDC, Panaji Goa	To look into the matter of floating of open tender by Govt. Departments rather than purchase through Rate Contract.
03/07/10	The Manager, GHRSSIDC, Panaji Goa	Requesting for booklets on Preferential Purchase Scheme
07/07/10	Mr. Sanjit Rodrigues, DITC, Panaji Goa	Intimating about change in Executive Committee of GSIA
07/07/10	Mr. V.K. Jha, Secretary (Industries), Porvorim Goa	Intimating about change in Executive Committee of GSIA
12/07/10	The Chief Inspector, Directorate of Factories & Boilers, Panaji Goa	Registration under Factories and Boilers Act by eligible industrial units
28/07/10	The Managing Director, GIDC, Panaji Goa	Announcement of allotment of Plots to Small Scale Industries in the Goa Assembly House by CM
28/07/10	The Director of Transport, Panaji Goa	On forcible collection of Entry Cess by RTO Check post at Dhargal
04/08/10	Mr. Vivek Kamat, Directorate of Technical Education, Porvorim Goa	Setting up of Entrepreneurship Development & Human Capital Committee at GSIA
05/08/10	Mr. Vallabh Kamat, CCT, Panaji Goa	On Excise Notices on NPV Scheme
05/08/10	Mr. Nirmal Braganza Chief Electrical Engineering, Panaji Goa	Industrial units going sick due to denial of power supply
16/08/10	M/s Seasons Polymers, Kundaim Goa	Providing information on Central Excise E-Filing of Returns
18/08/10	The Managing Director, GIDC, Panaji Goa	Regarding issuance of Allotment Order of GSAI Office Premises.
23/08/10	Mr. P.G. Naik Deputy Commissioner, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Central Excise & Service Tax, Panaji Goa	Agenda for the R.A.C. Combined Meeting for Organized Sector and Small Scale Sector Units to be held on 30/08/2010
24/08/10	Mr. Carlos D'Sa General Manager, Micro Finance Division, EDC Ltd. Panaji Goa	Invitation for the Meeting on Entrepreneurship Development and Human Capital Committee of GSIA.
27/08/10	The Commissioner, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Central Excise & Service Tax, Panaji Goa	Submission of agenda points for joint meeting of CCT, CEE and GSIA



Important Notification & Circulars

1. INCOME-TAX (SEVENTH AMENDMENT) RULES, 2010 – AMENDMENT IN RULE 12

Notification No. 49/2010[F.No. 142/15/2010- TPL], dated 9-7-2010

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 295 read with section 139 of Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961), the Central Board of Direct Taxes hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Income-tax Rules, 1962, namely :-

1. (1) These rules may be called the Income-tax (7th Amendment) Rules, 2010.

(2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Income-tax Rules 1962, in rule 12, in sub-rule (3), in the proviso, for clause (a), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely :-

“(a) a firm required to furnish the return in Form ITR-5 and to whom provisions of section 44AB are applicable shall furnish the return in the manner specified in clause (ii) or clause (iii);

(aa) an individual or HUF required to furnish the return in Form ITR-4 and to whom provisions of section 44AB are applicable shall furnish the return for Assessment Year 2010-11 and subsequent Assessment Years in the manner specified in clause (ii) or clause (iii);

(ab) a company required to furnish the return in Form ITR-6 shall furnish the return for Assessment Year 2010-11 and subsequent Assessment Years in the manner specified in clause (ii)'

2. VARIOUS REGULATIONS NOTIFIED BY JOINT ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (JERC) FOR THE STATE OF GOA AND UNION TERRITORIES

Official Gazette, Government of Goa, Series I No. 17, dated 22nd July, 2010, Order No. 13/2/2010-GAD-III/1782

Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission (JERC) for the State of Goa and Union Territories has notified the following Regulations in the Gazette of India in exercise of the powers conferred under various sections of the Electricity Act, 2003.

<u>Notification No. & Date</u>	<u>Subject</u>
JERC-06/2009 dated 18/12/2009	--Standard of Performance
JERC-05/2009 dated 18/12/2009	--Treatment of other Businesses of Transmission Licensees and Distribution Licensees
JERC-07/2009 dated 18/12/2009	--- State Advisory Committee
JERC-10/2009 dated 8/2/2010	--Terms and conditions for determination of Tariff
JERC-08/2009 dated 11/2/2010	--- Appointment of Consultants
JERC-09/2009 dated 11/2/2010	--- Open Access in Transmission and Distribution

The details of the notifications are available on Govt. of Goa website <http://www.goagovt.nic.in/gazette.htm>

3. CONSTITUTING OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROVIDER (VTP) EVALUATION COMMITTEE (VEC) FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SCHEME.

Official Gazette, Government of Goa, Series II No. 18, State Directorate of Craftsmen Training, Order No. 5/12/TRG/SDCT/07/7031. Dated 29th July 2010.

In pursuance of the guidelines issued by Government of India for Skill Development Initiative Scheme, a VTP Evaluation Committee (VEC) is constituted with the members as below:

A. State Director of Craftsmen Training, State Directorate of Craftsmen Training, Shrama Shakti Bhavan, 3rd Floor, Patto Plaza, Panaji-Goa	Chairman
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B. Representatives from RDAT,
Director of RDAT – Mumbai
or his representative

Member

otherwise at least once in three months.

C. Expert from Leading
Industry Association of the State,
The President,
Goa Small Industry Association,

Member

The non-official members who attend the meeting shall be paid a fixed honorarium of Rs. 400/- per meeting and no other TA/DA shall be payable.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Panaji-Goa dated 18/12/2009 dated 18/12/2009
The Terms of Reference shall be as mandated in the SDI
Scheme guidelines.

Aleixo F. Da Costa, State Director of Craftsmen
Training & ex officio Joint Secretary.
Panaji, 31st October, 2008.

The Term of Office of the non-official members shall be 3
years from the date of its constitution. The non-official
members may change by name/designation depending on
the revision of Scheme guidelines from time to time.
The VTP Evaluation Committee (VEC) for SDI Scheme
shall meet as frequently as may be felt necessary and





For Kind Attention of Members

1. REDRESSAL OF RECOVERY OF DUES FOR MICRO & SMALL ENTERPRISES

Compiled by –
Mr. J.B. Pinto,
Executive Secretary, GSIA

The Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Act, 2006 provides for constitution of Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council by State Governments. Accordingly, the Goa Government in terms of Section 21 of MSMED Act, 2006 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Goa Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Rules, 2007 constituted Micro and Small Enterprises Facilitation Council in Goa. The Council has been meeting regularly under the Chairmanship of the Director of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt., of Goa.

Who can Approach the Council for Recovery.

Any Micro, Small Enterprise (MSE) whether proprietorship, Hindu undivided family, association of persons, cooperative society, partnership firm, company or undertaking by whatever name called can approach the Council for recovery. In order to be eligible to take the benefit of Facilitation Council and qualify as supplier under the Act, one should file Memorandum of Micro, Small as the case may be and register with the authority designated by State Government. In Goa the designated authority is the Director, Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries.

Delayed Payments to Micro & Small Enterprises.

Section 15 of MSMED Act, 2006 states about the liability of the buyer to make payment –“Where any supplier, supplies any goods or renders any services to any buyer, the buyer shall make payment therefor on or before the date agreed upon between him and the supplier in writing or, where there is no agreement in this behalf, before the appointed day:

Provided that in no case the period agreed upon between the supplier and the buyer in writing shall exceed forty five (45) days from the day of acceptance or the day of deemed acceptance”

Procedure to Recover the Delayed Payment.

1. An application shall be made by the supplier/MSE containing the full particulars of the claim along with interest to the Chairperson of the Council.
2. The application should be supported by an Affidavit, with necessary court fee stamp affixed thereon.
3. The Chairperson may ask for further information. This information is to be supplied within 15 days

and if not supplied the Chairperson may terminate the proceedings without prejudice to the right of the petitioner to make fresh reference if he is otherwise entitled to do so.

4. The supplier/MSE shall also simultaneously send a copy of the application to the buyer/buyers against whom the reference is directed.
5. The Chairperson shall then direct the buyer to furnish his detailed response to claim within 15 days.
6. The Chairperson on the response of the buyers and on being satisfied with the reference, making prima facie case of delayed payment, shall place the claim of the supplier/MSE before the Council.
7. The Council shall conduct conciliation proceedings either itself or seek the assistance of any Institute providing Alternate Dispute Resolution services. The provisions of sections 65 to 81 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 shall apply in such case.
8. The Council shall require the supplier/MSE and the buyer to appear before it by issuing notices to both parties.
9. On the appearance of both parties, the Council shall first try to resolve the dispute amicably.
10. If the Conciliation is not successful, the Council shall either itself act as an Arbitrator or refer the dispute to an Arbitrator for final settlement.
11. The supplier/MSE or buyer may, either in person or through his lawyer present his case before the Council or the Institute during the arbitration proceedings.
12. The Council or the Institute designated by the Council shall make an Arbitral Award within 90 days from the date of making such reference.
13. The Award shall be stamped in accordance with relevant law in force. Copies of the Award shall be made available on filing an application.
14. An appeal against the supplier/MSE can only be admitted only when the buyer has deposited 75% of the awarded money.

2. GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (GST)

VISION & BACKGROUND

The overall of the Commission **is to foster 'inclusive and green growth promoting fiscal federalism'**. This is the vision underlying the Commission's recommendations on inter-governmental fiscal arrangements and on the roadman for fiscal adjustment.

Finance Commission (FC) has attempted to be holistic in our consideration of GST as this is, indeed a 'game changing' reform to create India as a vibrant common market.



A **National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)** study sponsored by the Commission explains why implementation of such a Model GST will be a positive sum game and will bring considerable economic benefits for the whole country, with reduced transaction costs, revenue neutrality and substantially low tax rates.

Goods and Service Tax: benefits & Impacts.

- Adoption of such a model GST would make India a dynamic common market and also result in generation of positive externalities: It will foster a common market across the country, reorient supply chains and remove the present bias towards backward integration.
- **Buoyancy of tax revenues:** Despite lower levels of taxes, the revenue of the Union and the States will be buoyant.
- Subsumation of all major indirect taxes will result in removal of inefficient taxes.
- **Its impact on the country's foreign trade:** The study estimates the gain in exports to vary between 3.2 and 6.3 per cent. Imports are expected to gain between 2.4 per cent and 4.7 per cent, thus improving the trade balance.
- Our manufactures will become more competitive and consequently exports will grow.
- Provision of seamless input tax credit across all transactions will avoid tax cascading, eliminate double taxation and improve resource allocation.
- Further, it will also inhibit tax induced migration of investment. It will, thus, support the growth of lagging but resource-rich regions.
- Revenue and growth effects: implementation of a comprehensive GST across goods and services will enhance the nation's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by between 0.9 and 1.7 per cent. This works out to between Rs. 52,600 crore and Rs. 99,450 crore on the basis of GDP figures for 2009-10. Such benefits would accrue every year. It would also lead to efficient allocation of the factors of production, with a fall in the overall price level. It has a potential to improve the tax-GDP ratio of the Centre and the States.
- The NCAER model suggests that GST could lead to better environmental outcomes.
- A single rate across all goods and services will eliminate classification disputes and make tax assessment more predictable.
- The harmonization of tax assessment, levy and collection procedures across states proposed under GST will reduce compliance costs, limit evasion, enhance transparency and improve collection efficiency.
- Successful implementation of GST also offers the possibility of strengthening the revenue base of local bodies that form the third tier of government.
- The inclusion of real estate in the GST tax base will constrain the parallel economy with consequent positive spillovers into governance and the development of land markets.
- The GST tax base has been estimated at Rs. 31,25,325

crore. This is the average of five different estimations of the tax base obtained by following as many approaches. The present value of total gain in GDP is estimated as between Rs. 14.69 lakh crore and 28.81 lakh crore. The corresponding dollar values are US \$325 billion and \$637 billion. This represents between 25 and 50 per cent of the 2009-10 GDP gained through this major tax reform. The all-government tax revenue will also increase by about 0.20 per cent of GDP, a significant increment to revenues through implementation of the model GST.

- The second was undertaken by a task force (TF) which examined the whole gamut of GST related issues, from design to implementation and made suitable recommendations.
- A model GST would not distinguish between goods and services.
- It should be levied at a single positive rate on all goods and services.
- Exports should be zero-rated.
- Tax compliance costs should be low and tax credits should be available seamlessly across tax jurisdictions.

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3. E-SERVICES BY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL TAXES, GOVERNMENT OF GOA

BACKGROUND

Commercial Taxes Department (CTD), Government of Goa is using the e-governance system known as VATsoft with the software support from NIC Goa. Using VATsoft, the CTD is effectively maintaining the documents of the VAT dealers so that the department can provide better services to the dealers as and when required by the Government and dealer. This also helps both Department and dealer to build mutual trust and confidence in carrying out their activities.

To further improve the faith and confidence between the business community and the department, the department has proposed to build a web-based system for e-filing of documents by the dealers. Most of them have welcomed this move and expressed their willingness to make use of this facility to submit the documents.

In this context, CTD has requested NIC to develop an e-filing system for VAT related activities. After going through the requirements, NIC has developed the system, called as the 'VAT-eFS – VAT e-Filing System'.

ABOUT NATIONAL INFORMATICS CENTRE (NIC)

National Informatics Centre (NIC), Department of



Information Technology, Ministry of Communication & IT, Government of India, is a premier organization in the field of Information Technology and provides state-of-the-art solutions to the information management, dissemination, e-Governance and decision support requirements of the Government. NICNET, with its Nationwide Network of state-of-the-art technology, computers, communication equipments and expert IT specialists, is well rooted and functioning at all Districts, State / Union Territory Capitals and Central Government and helping information exchange of vital nature. With its Master Earth Station at New Delhi, micro earth station nodes have been established in all the State Capitals, District Head Quarters and selected commercial centers.

The broad range of services being provided by NIC includes system study, design, coding, testing, training, implementation, software maintenance and hand holding support. NIC has designed and developed a number of e-governance systems for the Government of Goa, which includes VATsoft for Commercial Taxes, Treasury for Directorate of Accounts, Municipal Administration software for all Municipalities / City Corporation, Dharani for Land Records, Directorate of Accounts Computerization, Vaahan and Saarathi for Transport offices, CIPA for police stations, Court system, FMS for Secretariat and Government Departments and maintaining the websites, etc. VAT-eFS : VAT e-filing system CTD User Manual NIC-GSC-VATeFS-UM01 Ver 1.0 NIC Page 3 of 26

VAT-EFS : VATE-FILING SYSTEM

Commercial Taxes Department is happy to introduce VAT e-filing system for the VAT dealers of Goa. E-filing is an internet/web based system, where in the dealers can submit important documents of VAT to CTD.

In this system, dealers can submit the details of Quarterly Returns, purchase invoices, sale invoices and CST statutory forms. They can also view various documents/records maintained by the department. The dealers have a provision to enter directly the document or upload the files from their system.

TIP: In case of any problem, please contact PRO – Phone. No-2229225

BENEFITS TO THE DEALER

Entering and submitting the VAT documents through VAT e-filing system will benefit the dealers. The CTD will be able to process the request for issue of fresh CST statutory forms faster when the dealers submit the utilization & receipt reports of CST statutory forms on e-filing system. In respect of submission of purchase and sale invoices, the system validates the TINs of both the seller and the buyer from the departmental dealer master and tells about the

invalid TIN's of purchaser/seller. This avoids unnecessary queries from the Departmental officers while conducting audit and inspection.

The system will also display details of pending documents/payments of a dealer so that the dealer can take appropriate steps to avoid penalty and interest. Proper and in-time submission of documents through VAT e-filing system would avoid taking up audit and inspection work by the department in most cases.

This system helps the department to check the records of the dealers without asking them repeatedly to produce it before the officers of the department. The e-filing system has been designed and developed in such a way that it helps the dealers to view their records maintained and processed by the department.

HOW TO ACCESS?

REGISTER

Visit <http://goacomtax.gov.in>

Click on "e-Service" link

Click on the "Create an Account" button.

Enter your TIN

(System will display the basic details)

Enter other details and submitting

(DCT will post you the User Account details)

E-FILE RETURNS

Visit <http://goacomtax.gov.in>

Click on "e-Service" Link

Log on to the system using your User Name & Password

Select "Filing of Returns" option for file your Return

OBTAIN STATUTORY FORMS

Visit <http://goacomtax.gov.in>

Click on "e-Service" Link

Log on to the system using your User Name & Password

Select "Request Forms" option to obtain Statutory Forms

E-PAYMENTS

visit <http://goa.gov.in>

Create an User Account (by registering once)

Log on to the system using your User Name & Password

Select the type of tax for payment.

All dealers are requested to avail this facility for filing returns for the first quarter of 2010-2011

For more information Visit <http://goacomtax.gov.in>

This facility is presently available only for VAT & CST.



4. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ANNUAL SUPPLEMENT 2010-11 TO THE FOREIGN TRADE POLICY 2009-14

HIGHER SUPPORT FOR MARKET AND PRODUCT DIVERSIFICATION

1. Additional benefit of 2% bonus, over and above the existing benefits of 5% / 2% under Focus Product Scheme, allowed for about 135 existing products.
2. 256 new products added under FPS (at 8 digit level), which shall be entitled for benefits @ 2% of FOB value of exports to all markets.
3. Instant Tea and CSNL Cardinol included for benefits under VKGUY @ 5% of FOB value of exports.
4. Zero duty EPCG scheme, introduced in August 2009 and valid for only two years upto 31.3.2011, has been extended by one more year till 31.3.2012.
5. Status Holders contribute to a substantial part of our exports. To support them to upgrade their technology, 1% Status Holder Incentive Scheme (SHIS) introduced in August 2009 and valid for only two years upto 31.3.2011, has been extended by one more year for 2011-12 exports.
6. The popular and exporter friendly Duty Entitlement Passbook (DEPB) scheme has been extended beyond 31.12.2010 till 30.06.2011.
7. Availability of concessional Export Credit: Interest subvention of 2% for pre-shipment credit for export sectors namely, Handloom, Handicraft, Carpet and SMEs for all export sectors, have been allowed till 31.3.2011 in the budget 2010-
8. This facility has now been extended to a number of additional products pertaining to sectors like Engineering, leather, textiles, Jute.

PROCEDURAL SIMPLIFICATION AND REDUCTION OF TRANSACTION COST:

1. Exporters shall now have the flexibility to get a high value EPCG authorisation by filing their EPCG application on Annual basis, without the need to file the application for individual capital goods from time to time. It will reduce transaction time and cost.
2. Exporters shall now have the flexibility to Club Advance authorisation with Advance Authorisation for Annual Requirement for the purpose of account closure.

3. To impart flexibility to exporters and to facilitate smooth clearance of consignments, a Single customs notification for the two variants of Advance Authorization scheme namely advance authorisation for physical exports & deemed exports shall be issued. It will also eliminate the ambiguity in clubbing of such exports.

4. Adhoc Norms ratified under Advance Authorisation scheme shall henceforth apply to all cases for the same export product upto one year not only prospectively but also retrospectively.

5. Clarification on the availability of 4% SAD refund benefit, as given by DOR in terms of customs Notification No. 102/2007, only to trader importers, to be also extended to manufacturers, who sell the imported items like traders.

6. Chartered Engineer Certificate for Advance Authorisation on self declared basis, has been dispensed with. This will reduce documentation and the transaction cost.

EDI INITIATIVES:

1. To reduce the transaction cost and time, the scope and domain of EDI is endeavoured to be continuously broadened. To remove redundancy of repeated submissions of RCMC, an 'e-RCMC' initiative has been commenced. Under this, the Export Promotion Councils would upload the RCMC data of their members on DGFT's website only once, thus reducing the procedural burden of repeated submissions and associated cost and time.

2. Facility of a data preparation module for Advance Authorization and Export Promotion Capital Good (EPCG) has been provided on an offline mode, which would reduce the need of continuous online interaction for long and address the connectivity and server response issues significantly.

3. In order to provide wider choice to the users and enlarge access for online filing, additional licenced certifying authorities for digital signatures and banks for electronic fund transfer (EFT) operations have been included in the gamut of EDI operations.

4. The online message exchange for Annual Advance Authorization and Duty Free Import Authorization (DFIA) shall also be made operational with Customs w.e.f. 1.12.2010.

ENGINEERING AND ELECTRONICS:

1. Additional 2% bonus benefits over and above the existing benefits under Focus Product Scheme will significantly benefit Bicycle parts and Grinding Media Balls exporters.



2. Additional items of Engineering, namely, Pipes & Tubes, Electric Generating Sets, Cast Articles of Iron & Steel, Ferro Manganese and Ferro Silicon shall now be entitled for benefit @ 2% under FPS.

3. A number of Engineering items namely, Machine Tools, Compressors, Iron & Steel Structures including Transmission Towers and Scaffolding, LPG Cylinders, Ductile Tubes & Pipes shall now be entitled for benefits @ 2% of FOB value of exports to all markets under FPS instead of their exports to specific markets under MLFPS earlier.

4. Telecom Equipments, Colour TVs, Audio Systems, Optical Media, Semi-conductors, Capacitors, Resistors, PCBs, LEDs, Conductors, Desktops and Notebooks shall now be entitled for benefits @ 2% of FOB value of exports to all markets under FPS instead of their exports to limited market under MLFPS earlier.

For full details of Annual Supplement, please visit the website of Commerce Ministry, Govt., of India.

5. THE INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2010

The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 2010 as amended was considered and passed by the Rajya Sabha on 3.8.2010

The amendment proposals in the Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 2010 inter-alia, seek to amplify the definition of 'appropriate Government', enhance the wage ceiling prescribed for supervisors, provide direct access for workman to Labour courts or Tribunal in case of individual disputes, expand the scope of qualifications of Presiding Officers of Labour Courts or Tribunal, setting up of Grievance Settlement Machinery and empowerment of Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Courts to enforce decree.

.The Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill, 2010 seeks the following:

Section 2(a): Amplification of definition of Appropriate Government

The Bill proposes to amplify the definition of 'appropriate Government' under 2(a) of the Act. The Central Government is the appropriate Government in respect of categories listed in Section 2(a)(i) of the I.D. Act, 1947. In addition to this, it is further clarified that Central Government would be appropriate Government for any company in which not less than fifty-one per cent of the paid-up share capital is held by the Central Government, or

any corporation, (not being a corporation referred to in this clause) established by or under any law made by Parliament, or the Central Public Sector Undertaking, subsidiary companies set up by the principal undertaking and autonomous bodies owned or controlled by the Central Government.

State Government will be the appropriate Government in relation to any other industrial dispute, including the State Public Sector Undertaking, subsidiary companies set up by the principal undertaking and autonomous bodies owned or controlled by the State Government.

To amplify the definition of term 'appropriate Government' the Standing Committee has suggested that the industrial disputes between a contractor and contract labour employed in any industrial establishment needs to be brought under the purview of 'appropriate Government'. The Government has accepted this recommendation of the Committee. This amplification of the definition will eliminate all ambiguities in the interpretation of the definition of 'appropriate Government'.

Section 2(s): Amendment of Section 2(s) (iv) - Enhancing the wage ceiling of Rs.1600 per moth prescribed for supervisors in the definition of workmen under Section 2(s) to Rs.10,000 per month.

Enhancement of wage ceiling of the workers working in a supervisory capacity from one thousand six hundred rupees per month to ten thousand rupees per month. The wage ceiling has been enhanced to be in consonance with the increase in wages of industrial workers and also to bring about parity with other labour laws like Employees State Insurance Act, 1948, Payment of Bonus Act, 1965 and Payment of Wages Act, 1936.

Section 2A: Direct reference of disputes connected with Termination/ Dismissal/ Retrenchment/ Discharge to Industrial Tribunals.

To provide direct access for the workman to the Labour Court or Tribunal in case of disputes arising out of Section 2A pertaining to retrenchment, discharge, dismissal or termination of services etc. At present, such a dispute could be adjudicated by CGIT-cum LC only after a reference is made by the 'appropriate Government'. As a consequence of this proposed amendment, the workman can directly approach the CGIT-cum-LC after filing his grievance before the conciliation machinery to resolve the issue within 45 days. There will be no need for him to approach the 'appropriate Government' for making a reference. This



amendment would enable the aggrieved workman to choose the alternative of adjudication for resolution of his dispute faster.

Substitution of new Chapter for Chapter IIB-Setting of Grievance Redressal Machinery:

The Bill seeks to establish a Grievance Redressal Machinery (GRM) within industrial establishment having 20 or more workmen with one stage appeal at the head of the establishment for resolution of disputes arising out of individual grievances. With this amendment, the workman will get one more alternative grievance redressal mechanism for the resolution of his dispute within the organization itself with minimum necessity for adjudication. It may be noted that setting up of GRM in no way will affect the right of the workman to raise dispute on the same issue under the provision of Industrial Disputes Act, 1947.

Section 7: Relaxation of Qualifications of Presiding Officers.

It is also proposed to expand the scope of qualification of Presiding Officers of CGIT-cum-LC by making officers of Central Labour Service of the rank of Deputy Chief Labour Commissioner and State Labour Department of the rank of Joint Labour Commissioner and officers of the Indian Legal Service Gr.III eligible for the post of Presiding Officer in CGIT-cum-LC. This will enable the Government to appoint the Presiding Officers from wide range of eligible officers from the relevant field.

Section 11: - Power to enforce Decree by CGIT.

The Bill also proposes to empower the Labour Court or Tribunal to execute their awards, orders of settlements arrived at as a decree of a Civil Court. This amendment will ensure better enforcement of the awards given by CGITs-cum-LC.

Section 38(2) (c) -Salaries and allowances and other terms and conditions of service of Presiding Officer of Central Government Industrial Tribunals-cum-Labour Courts (CGIT) and National Tribunals.

The Bill proposes to make a specific provision in the Act by

amending the Section 38(2) (c) of the Act that Government may make rules to decide and review the salaries and allowances and other terms and conditions for appointment of Presiding Officers. Details will be worked out while framing the rules.

To Summarise, the main amendment proposals in the I.D. Act are:

- (i) Amplification of the definition of 'Appropriate Government'.
- (ii) To enhance the wage limit from Rs. 1600/- per month to Rs. 10,000/- per month to make the provision meaningful and in tune with the definition of workman in other labour laws such as Payment of Bonus Act, 1965, Payment of Wages Act, 1936 and Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948.
- (iii) To provide a grievance ventilation and redressal machinery within an establishment having 20 or more workmen with one stage appeal at the level of the Head of the Industrial Establishment in order to promote better industrial relations at the industrial establishment level.
- (iv) To provide individual workman direct access to Labour Courts/ Tribunals in cases of retrenchment, discharge, dismissal or termination of services.
- (v) To make officers of the Central Labour Service/State Labour Service/Indian Legal Service eligible for the post of Presiding Officers in the Central Government Industrial Tribunals-cum-Labour Courts for addressing the problem of availability of Presiding Officers.
- (vi) To empower Government to make rules to decide and review the salaries and allowances and other terms and conditions for appointment of Presiding Officers.
- (vii) To empower Central Government Industrial Tribunals, Labour Courts and National Tribunals to execute their awards/orders/settlements as a decree of the civil court.

Source : Lawyersclubindia.com





6. DECENTRALIZATION OF SERVICE TAX WORK FROM HEADQUARTER TO DIVISION AND RANGE LEVEL

Trade Notice No. 1/2010, Office of The Commissioner of Customs, Central Excise and Service Tax, Panaji Goa, dated 18th August 2010, F.No. :- CX-ST/42/Decentralization/10-11.

With the objective of providing prompt and better service to the Trade, Service Providers and general public, it has been decided to decentralize the service tax work handled at Headquarters and transfer the entire work to the Divisions and Ranges.

2. Accordingly, the following areas of jurisdiction is assigned and allotted to the two Divisions :-

Sr. No.	Division	Jurisdiction of the Division	Commissionerate Code	Division Code	Works allocated
1	Central Excise Division-I, 6 th Floor, ICE House, EDC Complex, Patto Plaza, Panaji, Goa.	Area comprising of Panaji, Kundaim, Mapusa, Bicholim and Usgao Ranges	20	03	All work relating to survey, registration, refund, adjudications, implementation of ACES and all other work related to Service Tax.
2	Central Excise Division-II, 3 rd Floor, Midas Touch Bldg., Next to KTC Bus Stand, Margao, Goa.	Area comprising of Ponda, Margao, Quepem, Verna -I, Verna -II and Vasco Ranges	20	04	All work relating to survey, registration, refund, adjudications, implementation of ACES and all other work related to Service Tax.

3. Further, the following areas of jurisdiction is assigned and allotted to the Ranges :-

Sr. No.	Name of the Range	Jurisdiction of the Range	Division Code	Range Code	Works allocated
1	Mapusa	Bardez and Pernem	03	200302	Registration, implementation of ACES, receipt of ST - 3 Returns and all other works relating to Service Tax.
2	Bicholim	Bicholim and Sattari Taluka	03	200307	-do-
3	Panaji	Tiswadi Taluka, Village Panchayat areas of Madkaim and Ponda Taluka	03	200305	-do-
4	Usgao	Area under Village Panchayat of Usgao and Gangem of Ponda Taluka, Areas under Village Panchayat of Aglote, Surla, Sancordem, Piler, Darbandora, Molem, Sangod, Sigao, Colem, Caranzol, Sonavali, Calem, Caronem, Bandoli, Santana, antoriem and Sanvordem of Sanguem Taluka	03	200306	-do-



5	Kundaim,	Village Panchayat areas of Bhoma, Adcolna, Tivrem, Orgao, Khandola, Cuncolliem and Kundaim Industrial Estate.	03	200310	Registration, implementation of ACES, receipt of ST - 3 Returns and all other works relating to Service Tax.
6	Ponda	Ponda Taluka, except areas under Village Panchayat of Bhoma, Adcolna, Tivrem, Orgao, Khandola, Cuncolliem and Kundaim Industrial Estate, Marcaim, Ganger and Loutulim Panchayat.	04	200402	-do-
7	Margao	Salcete Taluka, excluding areas under Cuncolim, Verna, Nagoa and Lotulim Panchayat	04	200401	-do-
8	Quepem	Areas covered by Cuncolim Panchayat of salcete Taluka, Quepem Taluka, Cabcona Taluka and Sanguem Taluka (Except the area covered under Usgao range)	04	200403	-do-
9	-	Areas under Village Panchayat of Village Nagoa and Lotulim of Salcete Taluka and areas under the Village Panchayats of Cortalim and Quellosim of Marmagoa Taluka (excluding area of Verna Range, South)	04	200405	-do-
10	Verna (South) -II	Areas other than Verna - I above (excluding area of Verna	04	200406	-do

4. The Central Excise Divisions and Ranges will be re-named as Central Excise and Service Tax Divisions and Ranges respectively and will function from the current address.

5. All the Service Tax Assessee who has paid total service tax of Rs. 10 Lakhs and above (both PLA and CENVAT) are requested to file ST-3 Returns with the above area codes online as specified in Notification No. 1/2010-ST dated 19.02.2010. Further, the Service Tax Assessee who paid less than Rs. 10 Lakhs (both PLA and CENVAT) are requested either to submit ST-3 Returns online or to submit the same to the respective Ranges.

6. The above changes will take effect from **15.09.2010**.

7. All Service Tax Assessee already registered under ACES are requested to amend their registration as per the jurisdiction allotted, and all future registrations are to be made as per the jurisdiction allotted above.

M. Suresh ,Commissioner

Office of The Commissioner of Customs,
Central Excise and Service Tax,
Panaji Goa



7. PENTAIR WATER INDIA BAGS INDO - AMERICAN CORPORATE EXCELLENCE AWARD 2010

Pentair Water India was selected as the best US Company in India under the manufacturing sector by **INDO - AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (IACC)** for the **Indo American Corporate Excellence Awards 2010**.

The selection was based upon careful review of Pentair Water India's Human Capital Management, Corporate Social Responsibility and Overall contribution to Indo – US business.



Mr. Gopi Suri accepting the Award at the hands of Mr. Brian Brown, Past President IACC

The Award is a confirmation of Pentair's Best HR Practices and contributions to Society.

Following were some of the Corporate Social Responsibilities undertaken:

- Contributed USD 52,000 to a NGO towards construction of home for HIV positive children,
- Supplied Water Purification Systems to Schools in the Community,
- Provided household Equipment and miscellaneous items to Old Age Homes,
- Instituted 12 Scholarships to needy Students in a Community school,
- Provided Ceiling Fans to a community School,
- Organizing Annual Employee Voluntary Blood Donation Camps,
- Organizing Pentair Cup Cricket Tournament every year for industrial workers in the Community,
- Providing Apprenticeship Opportunity to students in the Community.

Gopi Suri Babu, Executive Director accepted the award from Brian Brown, Past President of IACC and Founder of Blue Stream at a glittering ceremony which also coincided with IACC's U.S. Independence Day Celebration.

Mr. Paul Folmsbee, US Consul General, Mumbai was the Chief Guest at the celebration which was also attended by representatives from Indo-US Business Community, members from the Consulate / Government and Business Leaders, Industrialists and Celebrities.

In his Award acceptance talk, Gopi Suri Babu gave credit to the entire Pentair Team and thanked IACC for recognizing and honoring Pentair Water India.



e-services at commercial tax department Filing returns for traders made easy



The Chief Minister, Mr Digambar Kamat seen launching the e-services of the commercial tax department at the Secretariat at Porvorim in presence of the Chief Secretary, Mr Sanjay Shrivastava, commercial tax department, Mr Vallabh Kamat and others.

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Govt to purchase power to meet immediate needs, says Aleixo

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PANAJI: The Power Minister, Mr Aleixo Sequeira on Thursday told the state Legislative Assembly that the government would purchase power to meet its immediate needs from prospective sellers by inviting short term tenders for 4-5 years from southern and western grid respectively, till long term arrangements were made to meet the state's n for power.

Responding to issues raised by members of the Ho during discussion demands for the electric department, he said th Goa would need 300 m power in the long ter and that this requireme could be met from th power units that were i the pipeline.

The Power Minister also said that the state had also put its demand for more power supply before the central power ministry



“Goa will need 300 mW power in the long term. This requirement can be met from the power units that are in the pipeline”

Aleixo Sequeira
Power Minister

receive enhanced power supply by upgrading the existing infrastructure with the help of

before Ganesh Chaturthi. Mr Sequeira also stated that the

Sessions on use of XGN software held

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PANAJI: The Goa State Pollution Control Board has commenced the implementation of XGN mode of software for online receipt/processing of applications for consent to establish/consent to operate/renewal of consents under the Water Act and Air Act and authorisations under the Hazardous Waste and Bio-medical Waste Rules, from July 1. The software has been developed by the National

awareness on the use of the XGN software were held with the members of Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industries, Goa State Industries Association, Goa Mineral Ore Exporters Associations, Goa Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association and Travel and Tourism Association of Goa on July 15 and 16. About 225 representatives of industries attended the interactive sessions.

The industrial units whose applications are under process with the GSPCB are requested to upload their application along with necessary XGN for faster

I-T Dept streamlines tax refund procedure for faster payment

TDS credit and refund claims not exceeding Rs 3 lakh and Rs 25,000, respectively, will be accepted at the stage of processing of income tax returns itself

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NEW DELHI: In a move that will speed up the issuance of I-T refunds, the Income Tax Department for the first time will accept all TDS credit and refund claims not exceeding Rs 3 lakh and Rs 25,000, respectively, at the stage of processing of income tax returns itself.

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has communicated the

order will be beneficial in view of the income tax returns filing, which will happen till this month end, a senior I-T officer said.

In all other remaining cases, the claims would be processed after proper verification, the officer added. “In all the returns filed in ITR-1 and ITR-2 for assessment year 2009-10, where the aggregate TDS claim does not exceed Rs 3 lakh and where the refund computed does not exceed Rs 25,000, the TDS claim of the tax payer shall be accepted at the time of processing the return,” the order stated.

“In all the returns filed in forms other than ITR-1 and ITR-2 for the assessment year 2009-10 where the aggregate TDS

does not exceed Rs 3 lakh and the refund computed does not exceed Rs 25,000 and there is no mismatching of TDS claimed, the TDS shall be accepted at the time of processing the return,” the order stated.

Earlier, the members of the House pointed out that there were frequent interruptions in supply of power all over the state. They also pointed out that because of non-availability of power, the state could not attract industries which would have created job opportunities for the unemployed youth.



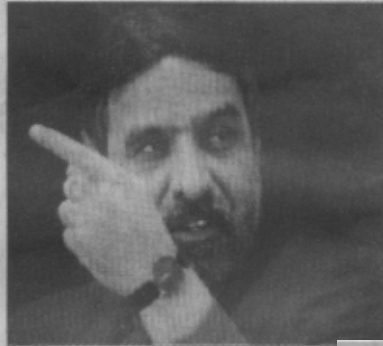
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THE government on Monday extended sops worth ₹1,052 crore to exporters, particularly for the labour-intensive textile, handicraft and leather sectors, to help them see through the fragile economic recovery globally.

"We are not yet out of the woods," commerce and industry minister Anand Sharma said while extending the schemes like DEPB, under which taxes are reimbursed to exporters, subsidised interest and sops for import of capital goods.

Releasing the annual supplement to the Foreign Trade Policy 2009-14, he said the



Industry grows 11.5% in May, lowest in 7 mths

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INDUSTRIAL output growth edged to 11.5% in May, the slowest in seven months and breaking a streak with its outperforming peers, but analysts said that prospects for the sector remain bright, especially for the export-oriented sectors.



The output as measured by the Index of Industrial Production (IIP), Ministry of Statistics and Public Relations, rose 11.5% on the back of a seven-month period of 12.5% growth in the manufacturing sector, excluding services.

"We were expecting the manufacturing sector to continue its growth, but the services sector has already begun to show signs of recovery," said CII executive director, Mahesh Anand. He said that the manufacturing sector is expected to continue its growth, but the services sector has already begun to show signs of recovery.

Capital goods output, an indicator of economic investment activity, rose 14.5% in May while the consumer durables sector grew 7.5% on Friday.

Taxpayers said there was no need for any other measures.

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I-T exemption limit upped to Rs 2 lakh Cabinet nod to Direct Taxes Code Bill

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NEW DELHI: In a move that could leave more money in the hands of tax payers, the government on Thursday proposed to increase the limit of exemptions for income tax, the Finance Minister, Mr Pranab Mukherjee told reporters after the cabinet meeting that it is proposed to be raised to ₹ 2 lakh from the current ₹ 1.6 lakh.

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"The whole objective is that a plethora of exemptions will be limited. (Income) tax slabs will be three. Rate of taxes will be taken in the schedule so that they need not be changed every year," Mr Mukherjee said.

On the corporate tax, the Finance Minister said it is sought to be retained at the present level of 30 per cent, but there will not be any surcharge or cesses on it. According to sources, the DTC Bill is likely to be tabled in Lok Sabha on Monday. Thereafter, it will be referred to the select committee, they added.

At present, income between ₹1.65 lakh and ₹ 5 lakh

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Despite sops, states not ready for GST

CENTRE'S OVERRIDING POWER TO BLOCK TAX PLANS RILES STATES

THE proposed goods and service tax has again run into turbulence, putting a question mark over its rollout from next fiscal. A draft of the constitutional amendments circulated to the states has failed to cut ice with many of them, some going to the extent of saying the changes were unacceptable.

Finance minister Pranab Mukherjee said the GST structure in an attempt to make good any loss so offered to make good any loss in the new tax regime.

He thought this would get states on board with the draft of the constitutional changes.

The creation of a joint council to negotiate tax rates, to ensure that states do not defeat the basic objective of the creation of a national market.

Mr. Mukherjee, unwilling to favour a proposal that would allow the centre to block any tax proposal by its power to change rates.