



# News Letter

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Respected Members and Aspirants,

We welcome you to the latest edition of our quarterly newsletter – where we serve you with all the important updates from various fields concerning our day to day professional lives.

As it is rightly said, “Knowledge is Power”, let’s enhance the sphere of our learnings to serve our profession in the best possible way.

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As your trusted advisors, we understand the importance of staying updated with the latest legal amendments. This quarter, several key changes have been introduced that may affect your financial and compliance strategies. Our experts have summarized these amendments to ensure you remain compliant and make informed decisions.

## ***Key Notification Highlights***

- **Mandatory HSN Code & Document Reporting in GSTR-1/1A (May 1, 2025)**  
From May 2025 return period, Phase-3 mandates minimum 4/6-digit HSN code reporting in Table 12 and compulsory document details in Table 13 of GSTR-1/1A based on turnover criteria.
- **Mandatory HSN Code & Document Reporting in GSTR-1/1A (May 1, 2025)**  
From the May 2025 return period, taxpayers must report 4/6-digit HSN codes in Table 12 and document details in Table 13 of GSTR-1/1A, as part of Phase-3 implementation.
- **Invoice-wise Reporting in Form GSTR-7 (May 6, 2025)**  
Invoice-wise reporting in Form GSTR-7 will be implemented shortly on the GST portal for April 2025 return period onwards, as per Notification No. 09/2025.
- **Barring of GST Return Filing After 3 Years (June 7, 2025)**  
Effective from July 2025 tax period, filing of GST returns older than three years from their due dates will be barred on the portal—taxpayers must reconcile and file pending returns promptly.

## **Key Advisories**

### **Advisory on Case Insensitivity in IRN Generation (April 4, 2025)**

- Effective June 1, 2025, invoice numbers will be treated as case-insensitive for IRN generation and auto-converted to uppercase to avoid duplication.

### **Advisory on Reporting Values in Table 3.2 of GSTR-3B (April 11, 2025)**

- From April 2025, values in Table 3.2 of GSTR-3B will be auto-populated from GSTR-1/IFF and made non-editable, with corrections allowed only via amendments in GSTR-1A or subsequent returns.

### **Advisory on Appeal Withdrawal under Waiver Scheme (May 14, 2025)**

- Appeals withdrawn before or after final acknowledgment are marked as "Appeal Withdrawn," and taxpayers must upload a screenshot showing this status when applying under the Section 128A waiver scheme.

### **Advisory on Table 3.2 of GSTR-3B (May 16, 2025)**

- Auto-populated values in Table 3.2 of GSTR-3B will remain editable for now due to taxpayer concerns, and changes can still be made before filing until further notification.

## ***Key Advisories***

### **Advisory on Non-Editable Auto-Populated Liability in GSTR-3B (June 7, 2025)**

- Starting July 2025 tax period, auto-populated tax liability in GSTR-3B will become non-editable, and any corrections must be done through GSTR-1A before filing GSTR-3B for the same period.

### **Advisory on Filing of Amnesty Applications under Section 128A (June 11, 2025)**

- Taxpayers facing technical issues while filing amnesty applications under Section 128A are advised to follow the alternative steps provided via GSTN and raise complaints on the Self-Service Portal if issues persist.

### **Advisory on Filing Pending Returns Before Expiry of Three Years (June 18, 2025)**

- From August 1, 2025, taxpayers will be barred from filing GST returns older than three years from their due dates—file pending returns before the deadline to avoid permanent inaccessibility.

## Circulars

### Updates in Refund Filing for Recipients of Deemed Export

- Chronological filing of refund applications is no longer required, new auto-populated columns have been added in the refund form to reflect ITC and ECL details, and functionality is improved to maximize refund eligibility.

### Updates in Refund Filing for Various Categories

- Refunds for exports, SEZ supplies, and deemed exports (supplier) have shifted from tax-period-based to invoice-based filing, removing the need to select periods and locking invoices after submission for enhanced accuracy.

### Launch of DISHA

- Self-Help App for Visitors and Taxpayers DISHA, a self-help mobile application designed to assist visitors and taxpayers in locating offices and sections within the CGST & Customs Pune Zone, was launched by Shri Mayank Kumar, Chief Commissioner, CGST & Customs Pune Zone

### System Validation for Refund Filing by QRMP Taxpayers (June 10, 2025)

- Technical issues preventing refund filing for QRMP taxpayers using IFF have been resolved, and refund applications can now be filed based on GSTR-3B.

### SPL-01/SPL-02 Waiver Application Issues (June 12, 2025)

- Taxpayers facing payment auto-population errors in waiver applications may still file and are advised to upload payment details as attachments for verification.

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## Circulars

### **Launch of E-Way Bill 2.0 with Inter-Portal Operability (June 16, 2025)**

- A new E-Way Bill 2.0 portal launching on July 1, 2025, will allow seamless cross-portal operations and real-time data sync with E-Way Bill 1.0 for business continuity.

### **Handling Rejected Records in Invoice Matching System (IMS) (June 19, 2025)**

- Recipients can reclaim ITC on wrongly rejected invoices/notes by requesting suppliers to re-report them in GSTR-1A/amendments without impacting supplier liability.



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## ***Amendments, Notifications and Circulars***

### **HUDCO Bonds Notified as Long-Term Specified Asset under Section 54EC**

- Bonds issued by HUDCO on or after 1st April 2025 and redeemable after five years are notified as long-term specified assets under Section 54EC, with proceeds to be used exclusively for revenue-generating infrastructure projects.

### **Last Date for Declaration under Vivad se Vishwas Scheme, 2024 Notified**

- The Central Government has notified 30th April 2025 as the last date to file declarations for tax arrears under the Direct Tax Vivad se Vishwas Scheme, 2024.

### **Approval of KIMS Foundation for Scientific Research under Section 35**

- The Central Government has approved KIMS Foundation and Research Centre, Hyderabad as an eligible institution for scientific research under Section 35(1)(ii) of the Income-tax Act, effective from FY 2025-26 to AYs 2026-27 to 2030-31.

### **HUDCO's Ten-Year Bond Notified as Zero Coupon Bond under Section 2(48)**

- The Central Government has notified HUDCO's Ten-Year Zero Coupon Bond (to be issued by March 2027) as a zero coupon bond under Section 2(48) of the Income-tax Act, with proceeds earmarked for self-sustaining infrastructure projects.

### **New TCS Items Added under Income-tax (11th Amendment) Rules, 2025**

- CBDT notifies additional items like wrist watches, art pieces, yachts, sunglasses, and horses for racing under TCS provisions of Section 206C, effective via Form 27EQ update in the Income-tax (Eleventh Amendment) Rules, 2025.

## ***Amendments, Notifications and Circulars***

### **Notification on New ITR-B Form for Block Assessment Cases (Notification No. 30/2025, dated 07.04.2025)**

- CBDT notifies Form ITR-B and Rule 12AE for furnishing return of income under Section 158BC for search or requisition cases initiated on or after 01.09.2024, with specified filing methods and procedures for block period assessments.

### **Aadhaar-PAN Linking Rules Amended (G.S.R. 217(E))**

- CBDT introduces Rule 114(5AA) mandating Aadhaar number intimation by PAN holders allotted PAN using Aadhaar Enrolment ID before 1st October 2024.

### **Deadline for Aadhaar Intimation Notified (S.O. 1605(E))**

- Central Government sets 31st December 2025 as the deadline for such PAN holders to intimate their Aadhaar number to Income-tax authorities.

### **No TDS on Certain 80CCA Withdrawals (S.O. 1615(E))**

- No tax shall be deducted under section 194EE on withdrawal by individuals of amounts referred to in section 80CCA(2)(a) after the notification date.

### **High-Value Luxury Goods Notified for TCS under Section 206C(1F)**

- The Government mandates TCS on sale of luxury items like watches, art pieces, yachts, sunglasses, and race horses exceeding ₹10 lakh, effective from date of notification.

### **Disallowance of Certain Settlement Expenditures under Income Tax Act**

- The government notifies that expenses incurred to settle proceedings under SEBI Act, SCRA, Depositories Act, or Competition Act shall not be allowed as business deductions under Section 37 of the Income-tax Act.

## ***Amendments, Notifications and Circulars***

### **Income-tax (Twelfth Amendment) Rules, 2025: New ITR Forms and Rule 12 Updates Notified**

- CBDT notifies Income-tax (Twelfth Amendment) Rules, 2025 revising ITR-1 and ITR-4, allowing reporting of long-term capital gains under Section 112A up to ₹1.25 lakh in SUGAM (ITR-4), and updates Rule 12 to reflect AY 2025–26 filing requirements, effective from April 1, 2025.

### **Revised ITR-3 Form Notified for AY 2025–26**

- CBDT, via Notification No. 41/2025, has introduced a revised ITR-3 Form for AY 2025–26 by substituting the existing form in Appendix II of the Income-tax Rules, effective from April 1, 2025.

### **CBDT Amends Rule 12AD via Notification No. 42/2025**

- CBDT, through Notification No. 42/2025 dated May 1, 2025, amended Rule 12AD of the Income-tax Rules, 1962, prescribing the updated return filing provisions for entities under clause (vi) of sub-section (1) of section 139 of the Income-tax Act.

### **ITR-2 Form Notified for AY 2025–26**

- CBDT, via Notification No. 43/2025, has substituted the ITR-2 form under Income-tax Rules, 1962 for AY 2025–26, effective from April 1, 2025.

### **CBDT Notifies Key Changes in ITR Forms via Notification No. 44/2025**

- Notification No. 44/2025 dated 06.05.2025 introduces split reporting of capital gains before/after 23.07.2024 and allows capital loss on share buyback post 01.10.2024 if related dividend is declared as income from other sources.

### **CBDT Revises ITR-V and Acknowledgement Formats via Notification No. 45/2025**

- Notification No. 45/2025 updates the formats of ITR-V and ITR-Acknowledgement under Rule 12, effective from 1st April 2025 and applicable for AY 2025-26.

## ***Amendments, Notifications and Circulars***

### **CBDT Notifies Revised ITR-7 via Notification No. 46/2025**

- Notification No. 46/2025 retroactively substitutes Form ITR-7 from 1st April 2025, updating tax reporting requirements for AY 2025-26 under the Income-tax Rules, 1962.

### **Zero Coupon Bond Notified for IRFC under Section 2(48)**

- The Ten-Year Zero Coupon Bond of Indian Railway Finance Corporation Ltd., worth ₹10,000 crores and issued at a discount of ₹4,916.51 crores, is notified as a zero coupon bond under section 2(48) of the Income-tax Act.

### **Revised Form ITR-U Notified**

- Notification No. 49/2025 dated 19.05.2025 introduces a revised Form ITR-U under the Income-tax Rules, 1962, replacing the earlier version with immediate effect from its Official Gazette publication date.

### **REC Ltd. Zero Coupon Bond Notified**

- Notification S.O. 2447(E) specifies the Ten Year Zero Coupon Bond of REC Ltd. as a zero coupon bond under Section 2(48) of the Income-tax Act, with a tenure of 10.5 years, ₹5,000 crore maturity amount, and ₹2,200 crore discount, to be issued by 31st March 2027.

### **NABARD Zero Coupon Bond Notified under Section 2(48)**

- S.O. 2576(E) notifies NABARD's Zero Coupon Bonds as eligible under Section 2(48) of the Income-tax Act, with ₹19,500 crores payable on maturity by March 31, 2027, issued at a discount of ₹10,349.625 crores for a tenure of ~11 years.

### **Forum of Regulators Notified under Section 10(46)**

- S.O. 2740(E) notifies Forum of Regulators for exemption under Section 10(46) for specified incomes like government grants, membership fees, and interest, applicable retrospectively for AYs 2012-13 to 2016-17, subject to conditions.

## ***Amendments, Notifications and Circulars***

### **TDS Exemption for IFSC Units Notified**

- Notification No. 67/2025 dated 20.06.2025 exempts specified payments made to units in International Financial Services Centres (IFSCs) from TDS, enhancing ease of doing business in IFSCs.

### **FSSAI Notified for Income-Tax Exemption under Section 10(46A)**

- S.O. 2829(E) notifies Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for exemption under Section 10(46A) of the Income-tax Act, effective from AY 2026–27, subject to compliance with statutory conditions.

### **India-Oman DTAA Protocol Notified**

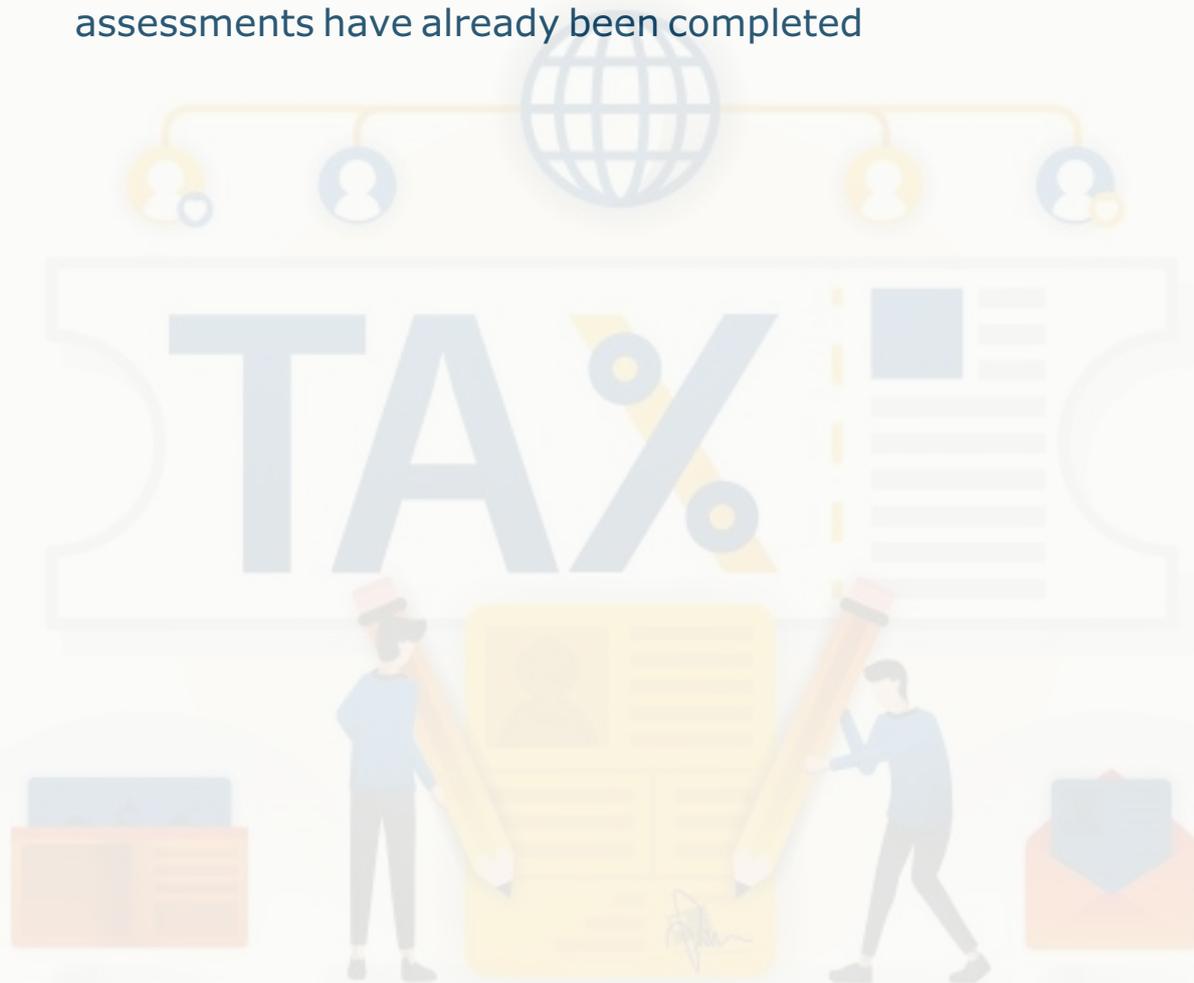
- Notification No. 69/2025 dated 25.06.2025 notifies the amendment to the India-Oman DTAA, which came into force on 28th May 2025, aligning the agreement with updated international tax standards



## Circulars

### Relaxation for Processing Delayed Returns Filed Under Section 119(2)(b) (June 2025)

- CBDT allows processing of valid delayed ITRs filed electronically up to 31.03.2024 under Section 119(2)(b), and directs issuance of intimation under Section 143(1) by 31.03.2026, except where assessments have already been completed



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## IBC Updates

### Key Legal Updates in Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code – April to July 2025

#### **IBBI Introduces Simplified Reporting Framework for CIRP**

- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has launched a revised set of five streamlined electronic forms (CP-1 to CP-5), effective from 1st June 2025, to reduce compliance burden and enhance monitoring of the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP).



## **SEBI Amendments Effective from 1st May 2025**

### **Grievance Redressal for Securitised Debt Instruments:**

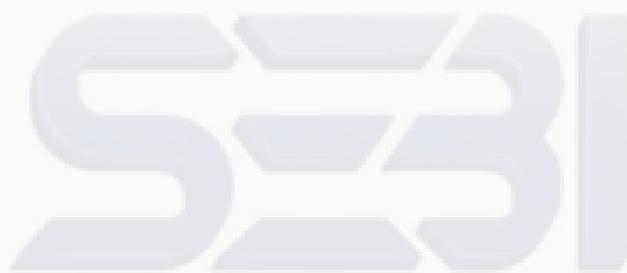
- SCORES registration can now be taken at the trustee level for all special purpose distinct entities handling securitised debt instruments.

### **Corporate Governance for SME-Listed Entities:**

- Regulation 23 (related party transactions) will now apply to SME-listed entities if their paid-up capital exceeds ₹10 crore or net worth exceeds ₹25 crore as on 31st March of the previous year.

### **Threshold for High Value Debt Listed Entities Revised:**

- The outstanding listed debt securities threshold for classification as a high value debt listed entity has been raised from ₹500 crore to ₹1000 crore.



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## *Companies Act Updates*

### *Key Legal Updates in Corporate Affairs – April to June 2025*

#### **General Circular No. 01/2025 – Relaxation of Additional Fees for Filing e-Forms**

- **Effective Period:** 18th June 2025 to 15th August 2025
- **Amendment:** INo additional fees will be levied for filing 13 specified e-Forms whose due/resubmission dates fall between 18.06.2025 and 31.07.2025, due to system migration from MCA21 V2 to V3.

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## Revision in MSME threshold

The Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) vide notification dated March 21, 2025, has revised threshold for classifying businesses as MSME

Key Area	Details
<b>Revised MSME Classification</b>	Effective April 1, 2025. <b>Investment Limits:</b> ₹2.5 Cr (Micro), ₹25 Cr (Small), ₹125 Cr (Medium). <b>Turnover Limits:</b> ₹10 Cr, ₹100 Cr, ₹500 Cr respectively.
<b>Udyami Diwas – MSME Day 2025</b>	Celebrated on <b>June 27, 2025</b> . Theme: "Enhancing the role of MSMEs as drivers of Sustainable Growth and Innovation".
<b>New Initiatives</b>	- Launch of <b>Banking &amp; Finance Guide</b> for financial literacy.- <b>₹10,000 Cr Fund of Funds</b> to support startups, especially women, SC/ST entrepreneurs.
<b>MSME Exports</b>	Exports reached <b>₹12.39 lakh crore</b> in 2024–25, marking a significant contribution to India's global trade and GDP.
<b>45-Day Payment Rule</b>	Rule mandates payments to MSMEs within 45 days; non-compliance affects tax deduction eligibility.
<b>Co-Lending Model</b>	Introduced to enable faster and more flexible MSME funding through <b>bank-NBFC partnerships</b> .

*This notification shall come into force with effect from the 1st day of April 2025.*

## ***What Am I?***

1. I check the books, Not make the deals. I give opinions, On how truth feels.
2. I take a share, Of what you earn. File me late, And you will learn.
3. I show what's owned, And what is due. I tell the story, Numbers run through.
4. I guide your path, When right feels gray. Stick to me, Or lose your way.
5. I track the cost, Of every part. To price it right, I play my part.

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