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MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR

Dear Readers,

We are delighted to release our Monthly newsletter 'ASC TIMES' - November Edition considering the rigorous demand from our eminent readers. I would like to take this opportunity to present the Volume-14 of our monthly newsletter. ASC Times summarizes all the business-related news & government updates like imparting relevant information, press releases, notifications, periodic updates, etc. to keep you updated with things affecting the business as a whole.



This newsletter is designed as a comprehensive knowledge-sharing initiative focused on updating you with all the monthly updates covering Income Tax Act 1961, Company's Act 2013, Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), Customs, etc.

ASC Group, continues to be the leader for financial, secretarial, legal & management advisory for more than 25 years of industry experience operating out of 9 offices globally. Our team of 300+ professionals consists of experienced Chartered Accountants, Company Secretaries, Lawyers, Investment Advisors, and Management Consultants who continuously contribute towards the ease of doing business across the world.

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Best regards Shailendra Kumar Mishra Director ASC Group



Sr. No.	Date	Compliance	Period
1	7 th November	The due date for the deposit of Tax	October
	2022	deducted/collected for the month of	2022
		October 2022.	
2		The due date for filing of return of income	AY 2022-23
		for the AY 2022-23 if the assessee (not	
		having any international or specified	
		domestic transaction) is:	
		(a) corporate-assessee or	
		(b) non-corporate assessee (whose books	
		of account are required to be audited) or	
		(c) partner of a firm whose accounts are	
		required to be audited or the spouse of	
		such partner if the provisions of Section	
		5A applies	
		[The due date for furnishing of return of	
		income for Assessment Year 2022-23 has	
		been extended from October 31, 2022 to	
		November 07, 2022 vide Circular no.	
		20/2022, dated 26-10-2022]	
3	14 th November	The due date for issue of TDS Certificate	September
	2022	for tax deducted under Section 194-IA,	2022
		194-IB, 194M and 194S (applicable only in	
		case of specified persons as mentioned	
		under section 194S) in the month of	
		September, 2022.	
4	15 th November	Quarterly TDS certificate (in respect of tax	July-
	2022	deducted for payments other than salary)	September
		for the quarter ending September 30, 2022	2022
5		The due date for furnishing of Form 24G by	October
		an office of the Government where	2022



		TDS/TCS for the month of October, 2022	
		has been paid without the production of a	
		challan	
6		E-payment of provident fund	October
			2022
7		ESI payment	October
			2022
8	28 th November	Filing of Form MGT-7A by One Person	FY 2021-22
	2022	Companies (i.e., within 60 days after the	
		completion of 6 months from the end of the	
		financial year).	
9	28 th November	Filing of Form MGT-7 companies (i.e.,	FY 2021-22
	2022	within 60 days after the date on which	
		AGM is held or the due date within which	
		AGM should have been held)	
10	30 th November	The due date for furnishing of challan-cum-	October
	2022	statement in respect of tax deducted under	2022
		Section 194-IA, 194-IB and 194M in the	
		month of October, 2022	
11		Return of income for the AY 2022-23 in the	AY 2022-23
		case of an assessee if he/it is required to	
		submit a report under Section	
		92E pertaining to the international or	
		specified domestic transaction(s)	
12		Report in Form No. 3CEAA by a constituent	Accounting
		entity of an international group	Year 2021-22
13		Statement of income distribution by	FY 2021-22
		Venture Capital Company or venture	
		capital fund in respect of income	
		distributed during the previous Year 2021-	
		22 (Form No. 64)	



14	Statement to be furnished in Form No. 64D FY 2021-22
	by Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) to
	Principal CIT or CIT in respect of income
	distributed (during the previous year 2021-
	22) to units holders
15	Due date to exercise the option of safe -
	harbour rules for the international
	transaction by furnishing Form 3CEFA and
	specified domestic transaction by
	furnishing form 3CEFB.
16	The due date for filing of statement of FY 2021-22
	income in Form No. 64A distributed by
	business trust to unit holders during the FY
	2021-22.
17	Application in Form 9A by a trust for -
	exercising the option available under
	Explanation to Section 11(1) to apply the
	income of the previous year in the next year
	or in the future.
18	Statement in Form no. 10 to be furnished by -
	a trust to accumulate income for future
	application under Section 10(21) or Section
	11(1).
19	Submit a copy of the audit of accounts to -
	the Secretary, Department of Scientific and
	Industrial Research in case the company is
	eligible for weighted deduction
	under Section 35(2AB) [if company has any
	international/specified domestic
	transaction].
20	Statement by scientific research -
	association, university, college or other



	association or Indian scientific research	_
	company as required by rules 5D, 5E and	
	5F.	
21	The due date for e-filing of the report (in -	_
	Form No. 3CEJ) by an eligible investment	
	fund in respect of the arm's length price of	
	the remuneration paid to the fund	
	manager.	
22	The due date for furnishing of challan- October	
	cum-statement in respect of tax deducted 2022	
	under Section 194S (in case of specified	
	persons) in the month of October, 2022.	
23	Quarterly statement of TDS deposited for September	er
	the quarter ending September, 2022 2022	
	(The due date for furnishing of the TDS	
	statement for the quarter ending	
	September, 2022 has been extended from	
	October 31, 2022 to November 30, 2022	
	vide Circular no. 21/2022, dated 27-10-	
	2022)	



Rishi Sunak becomes third British Prime Minister of the year

The United Kingdom saw its third Prime Minister this year with Rishi Sunak taking the chair. Rishi Sunak, a man of Indian origin, is the first ever non-white Prime Minister and also the youngest one at the age of 42. He was the former Chancellor of the Exchequer. He is married to Akshata Murty who is the daughter of Infosys founder N.R. Narayan Murthy. Following the resignation of former Prime Minister Liz Truss, the Conservative MPs chose Rishi to lead the party and the country. Former Prime Minister Boris Johnson's government collapsed in July this year following which Lis Truss presided. After her resignation, Rishi Sunak became the 3rd Prime Minister this year. Click here to know the full story.





The nuclear option should not be resorted to by any side: Rajnath to Russian Defence Minister

Russian Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu briefed the Indian counterpart Rajnath Singh of the evolving situations in Ukraine and the provocations leading to the use of the 'dirty bomb'. However, Rajnath Singh reiterated that the nuclear option should not be resorted by any side. He stated India's stand on resorting to the path of diplomacy and dialogue to ensure early resolution of conflict. He also stressed upon the fact that the usage of radiological or nuclear weapons goes against the basic tenets of humanity. Click here to know the full story.

SC refuses to hear plea seeking special anti-corruption courts in every district

The Supreme Court on Monday refused to entertain a petition that seeks direction from the Centre, states and the Union Territories to establish the Special Anti-Corruption Courts in every district for deciding cases on corruption and other economic offences. The Supreme Court bench observed that courts cannot micro-manage everything. It highlighted that we already have special courts for MLAs, Mahila Courts, POSCO courts etc. Further, often the judges from special courts are not available to handle other cases. Therefore, it does not help in bringing down the pendency of the case. In every state, there are CBI courts that are not given any other work. As CBI cases take up a lot of time, therefore, judges are idle most of the time. Click here to know the full story.



Global economy approaching a recession, central banks unchained: Poll

The global economy is approaching recession. A silver lining in the dark clouds is that the major economies already in recession and heading towards one will start with low unemployment as compared to the previous downturns. To tackle inflation, most of the central banks globally have been hiking interest rates. Out of the 22 central banks that were surveyed, only 6 banks were expected to hit the inflation target by the end of next year. Click here to know the full story.

Experts positive on India-UK FTA deal

As Rishi Sunak took over as British Prime Minister, The India-UK free trade deal is going to get a positive outlook. It has already missed its Diwali deadline. Sunak earlier expressed his support for the FTA deal when he was the Chancellor of the Exchequer as he saw enormous opportunities for both the countries in the insurance and fintech sector. The total trade between UK and India stood at \$17.5 billion in 2021-22. However, it is pertinent that the new Prime Minister will have to focus on domestic issues and set the economy in order before he proceeds with the trade deal. Click here to know the full story.







Indo Japan News

Japan to export stealth antennas to India as part of security cooperation

As Japan and India strengthen their security cooperation, Japan is planning to export stealth antennas to India. This system is already in use on a new Maritime Self Defense Force Destroyer. It will be the first export under the Japan-India agreement on defense equipment and technology transfer of 2015. This will prompt India to reduce its reliance on Russian military equipment. Japan is planning to export Unicorn that houses numerous antennas in a horn-shaped structure. By collecting antennas in one structure, Unicorn can reduce the reflection of the enemy's radio waves. Click here to know the full story.

India-Japan ties attaining new highs

India-Japan ties are attaining new highs after the former Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe talked about the 'confluence of two seas' and introduced the concept of the Indo-Pacific region in 2007. India will be joining the 2022 edition of the Malabar naval exercise that will be hosted by Japan this time. The Indian Navy will also be participating in the International Fleet Review (IFR) that is being hosted on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the Japanese Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF). Japan's Self Defence Force and the Indian military conducted their first joint naval exercise in 2012. Click here to know the full story.

Continental power grid spanning Japan to India inches closer to reality

Plans for a web of sub-sea cables to create a continental power grid spanning Japan to India are becoming more feasible. The prospects have strengthened for the evolution of high-voltage, direct current technology and laying down the cables at a depth of 3000 metres in the terrain that was previously inaccessible. However, making it a

reality will require overcoming a series of challenges that will require breakthrough innovation. The idea of connecting customers and power plants across Asia is being pursued for decades but couldn't materialize due to a lack of governmental coordination and funding for infrastructure. Asia is taking small steps towards integrating grids. Click here to know the full story.





Circulars & Notifications:

Income Tax

Extension of due date for furnishing return of income for the Assessment Year 2022-23

As a consequence of extending the due dates for furnishing the audit reports to 7th October 2022, the CBDT vide Circular No. 20/2022 dated 26th October 2022 also extended the due dates for furnishing the income tax returns under section 139(1) for AY 2022-23 to 7th November 2022.



Extension of due date for furnishing TDS Form 26Q for the second quarter

Due to the difficulties faced by the taxpayers in filing Form 26Q, the CBDT vide <u>Circular No. 21/2022 dated 27th October 2022</u> extended the due date for furnishing Form 26Q for the second quarter (i.e., July'22 - Sept'22) to 30th November 2022.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Reserve Bank of India (Unhedged Foreign Currency Exposure)
Directions, 2022

The RBI has released Reserve Bank of India (Unhedged Foreign Currency Exposure) Directions, 2022 that shall be applicable to all commercial banks excluding Regional Rural Banks and Payments Banks. These directions shall come into force from 1st January 2023. As per these directions, unhedged foreign currency exposure shall mean Foreign Currency Exposure (FCE) excluding the items which are an effective hedge of each other. While estimating the Unhedged Foreign Currency Exposure (UFCE), the banks shall consider only two types of hedge i.e., financial hedge and natural hedge. Following are the detailed provisions covered by these directions:

- Computation of UFCE
- Provisioning and capital requirements
- Systems and controls
- Consortium lending



- Exemptions and relaxations
- Capital treatment and disclosures
- Overseas branches and subsidiaries

Click here to read the detailed directions.

Reserve Bank of India (Financial Statements - Presentation and Disclosures) Directions, 2021 - Disclosure of Divergence in Asset Classification and Provisioning

As per the Reserve Bank of India (Financial Statements - Presentation and Disclosures) Directions, 2021, commercial banks are required to disclose the details of divergence in asset classification and provisioning in cases where such divergence assessed by the RBI exceeds certain specified thresholds. These requirements were applicable to commercial banks excluding Regional Rural Banks. However, to strengthen the asset classification, income recognition and provisioning norms, it is decided to introduce similar disclosure requirements for Primary (Urban) Cooperative Banks (UCBs) while also revising the specified threshold for the commercial banks. Click here to know the RBI requirements and revised limits.

Review of Regulatory Framework for Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs)

Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs) play a very important role in the management of the distressed financial assets of banks and financial institutions. Therefore, there was a need to review their operation framework and functioning. Therefore, the RBI has set up a committee to undertake a comprehensive review and recommend suitable measures for more efficient and transparent functioning. Therefore, the extant regulatory framework was amended and certain measures were introduced. Some of these measures include the following:

- The chairman of the board should be an independent director.
- The tenure of the CEO / MD or WTD should not be for a period of more than 5 years at a time. They shall be eligible for reappointment.
- No person shall continue as the CEO / MD or WTD beyond the age of 70 years.
- The performance of the CEO / MD or WTD shall be reviewed by the board periodically.

<u>Click here</u> to know the detailed regulatory framework.

Multiple NBFCs in a Group: Classification in Middle Layer

Applicable NBFCs that are a part of the common group or those that are floated by a common set of promoters shall not be viewed on a standalone basis. The total assets of all the NBFCs in a group shall be consolidated in order to determine their threshold for their classification in the middle layer. If the consolidated asset size of the group is Rs. 1000 crores or above, then each Micro Finance Institution (NBFC-MFI), Investment and Credit Company (NBFC-ICC), Mortgage Guarantee Company (NBFC-MGC) and NBFC-Factor in the group shall be classified as NBFC in the Middle Layer. As a result, all the regulations that are applicable to the Middle Layer shall be applicable to them. These guidelines shall be applicable from 1st October 2022. Click here to read the RBI notification.



CUSTOMS

Levy of countervailing duty on imports of 'Saccharine in all its forms' originating from China

The designated authority has concluded that 'Saccharine in all its forms' imported to India from China PR is resulting into a material injury to the domestic industry. Therefore, the Central Government has imposed a Countervailing Duty (CVD) on the Saccharine. Further, an investigation has been initiated in the matter of circumvention of the CVD and therefore, the authority has decided to extend the same on imports of 'Saccharine in all its forms' originating in or exported from Thailand into India. Click here to read the detailed notification.



Imposition of Anti-Dumping duty on "Electrogalvanized Steel"

The designated authority has concluded that the electrogalvanized steel originated or exported from Japan, Korea RP and Singapore and imported to India are below normal values and the domestic industry has suffered material injury due to the same. Further, material injury has been caused due to the dumped imports and therefore, the anti-dumping duty has been imposed on the import of electrogalvanized steel from the above-mentioned countries. <u>Click here</u> to read the detailed notification.





INTERNAL PUBLICATIONS

GST Update || Chandigarh GST revenue sees 28% rise in October

The Chandigarh administration collected Rs.203 crore GST in October, which is the first month of this financial quarter, an increase of 28% from Rs.158 crore in October last year. They also reported that they had also seen a hike in each month of the last guarter too. Read more

GST Slabs Rejig Unlikely Before 2024 General **Elections**

According to official sources, with inflation likely to remain elevated for a longer period and key state elections due in 2023, the Narendra Modi 2.0 government may choose not to restructure the GST slabs before it demits office in May 2024. Read more

GST Council to meet before mid-November: GoM reports on the appellate tribunal, tax casinos on agenda

The GST Council is prone to meet within the first half of November to debate the reviews of the panel of ministers on establishing the GST Appellate Tribunal and levy of tax casinos and online gaming, an official mentioned. As well as, the standing on the lot awaited full report of the committee tasked with the rationalization of GST charges may additionally come up for dialogue on the Forty-Eighth Council assembly in Madurai. Read more

Procedure of Setting up of a Liaison office in India-Representative Office

Liaison offices are also known as Representative Offices as it represents their parent company and carries out liaison activities. It is often considered a place of business and the primary role of a liaison office is to act as a communication channel between the parent company/head office and the business entities and governmental authorities. Read more

GST Offences: Govt to Introduce One-Time Settlement to Avoid Litigations

This is to highlight that the Government is considering a GST dispute settlement scheme offering a time-bound scheme covering only minor GST offences while a one-time opportunity to settle past disputes under Excise Duty, Service Tax and Customs Duty. Read more

Project Office Registration in India- Compliance , Procedure, Document Required

Foreign companies sometimes incorporate an entity in India to execute a specific project. However, as soon as an entity gets incorporated, a series of legal compliances begin. Therefore, in order to facilitate such foreign companies to easily enter and exit India, the concept of a project office was introduced. Read more

How to Set up a Branch Office in India: **Eligibility Criteria and Procedure**

Setting up a branch office in India is a common method for foreign companies to extend their business operations in India. Branch offices in India are usually established by foreign companies to explore the Indian markets without making any long-term commitment. But how to set up a branch office in India? Let's know in detail: Read more

Notification on Nomination of Directors-Section 49(2) of Legal Metrology Act, 2009

Any company having different branches/establishments/ units in different cities or places may nominate an authorized person who has the authority and responsibility for taking care (planning, directing, and controlling) of all the activities of that particular establishment or branch, or unit under section 49(2) of the Legal Metrology Act, 2009. Read more

Legal Metrology Packaged Commodities Amendment Rules 2021 to be implemented from 1st December

As per last notification released on 28th of March 2022 associated with the upcoming Legal Metrology Packaged commodity amendment rules 2011. The Ministry of Consumer Affairs Food and Public Distribution, (Department of Legal Metrology) has released new notification on the 30th of September 2022. Read more

Requirement of Registered Valuer under Companies Act, 2013 for Valuation

The company law in India lays down explicit provisions governing the valuation. Section 247 of the Companies Act, 2013 governs the requirements of a registered valuer, his functions, and penalties. Further, various provisions of the Companies Act lay down the scenarios whereby valuation is required to be made by a registered valuer. Read more

Major Amendments made in Finance Act 2022 notified w.e.f. 01 October 2022 - GST Update

Finance Act 2022 made around fifteen amendments which include omissions, insertions, and substitutions made in the CGST Act 2017. They were covered by section 100 to section 114 of the Finance Act, 2022 (6 of 2022). All the amendments made in the Finance Act, 2022 have been notified. Read more

Clarification on Notification no 18/2022-CT dated 28.09.2022 irt time limit

This is to update you regarding a press release dated 04-10-2022 issued by the Ministry of Finance. Vide Notification no.18/2022 Central tax dated 28.09.2022, from 01.10.2022 the provisions of Sec 100-114, except clause (c) Sec 110 and Sec 111, of Finance Act 2022 shall come into force. Read more

Punjab GST Collection crosses Rs 10k Cr in last 6 months for the 1st time

The Punjab finance, planning, excise and taxation minister Harpal Singh Cheema has stated that the state had collected INR 10,604 crore GST during the first 6 month of this year, stating a growth of 22.6% in GST collection against the same period last year which was INR 8,650 crore. Read more

Delhi's GST collection in 2nd quarter of FY 2022-23 falls by over 6%

According to Government sources, it is informed that Delhi's Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection in the second quarter of 2022-23 has dipped by more than 6 per cent in comparison to the first quarter of the fiscal. However, the combined GST collection of the first two quarters of 2022-23 was 28% higher than the corresponding period of the financial year 2021-22.

Read more

New functionalities made available on the GST portal for Taxpayer from September 2022

The Goods and Service Tax Network has issued a new module for GST stakeholders. These functionalities pertain to different modules such as Registration, Returns, Refund and other miscellaneous topics.

Read more

GST E-invoices mandatory for businesses with over Rs 5 crore turnover annually

This is to highlight that now businesses with an annual turnover of over Rs 5 crore will have to move to e-invoicing under goods and services tax (GST) from January 1, 2023. The GST Network has asked its technology providers to make the portal ready to handle the increased capacity by December, a government official privy to the development, told ET. Read more





QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Challenges are gifts that force us to search for a new center of gravity. Don't fight them. Just find a new way to stand."

-Oprah Winfrey



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