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Update on Goa Arrears of Tax Settlement Scheme 2020

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The Government of Goa has on 27th May 2020 notified a scheme to settle the arrears of tax through, Goa (Recovery of Arrears of Tax through Settlement) Ordinance, 2020

The settlement scheme covers arrears of tax, interest and penalty payable under -

- Goa Value Added Tax Act, 2005
- Goa Sales Tax Act, 1964
- Central Sales Tax Act, 1956
- Goa Tax on Luxuries Act, 1988
- Goa Tax on Entry of Goods Act.2000
- Goa Entertainment Tax Act, 1964

Period

The scheme is valid for upto six months and application to avail the settlement scheme has to be filed before 26th November 2020. An application shall be filed separately for each year under each of the Acts.

Payment for Settlement of Arrears

On filing the application form, the tax authority shall by an order determine the amount payable by the applicant and issue a Form II. The amount payable under the scheme has to be paid using an e-challan within 21 days from the date of intimation of amount payable

Amount Payable to Settle Arrears

The amount payable to settle arrears of tax, interest and penalty shall be as follows -

Where the arrears have arisen on account of order of assessment and where no review or appeal or revision is preferred as on 27th May 2020	100% of tax and interest to be paid100% of penalty waived off
Where the arrears have arisen on account of order of assessment and where review or appeal or revision is preferred as on 27 th May 2020	50% of tax and interest to be paid100% of penalty waived off
Where the arrears have arisen due to non submission of declaration forms such as Form C, Form D, Form E-1/E-11, Form F, Form H or certificate of exemption in Form ST XIA or ST XI B and dealer has filed an appeal against the assessment order	 50% of the tax arrears to be paid after considering the declaration forms/certificates submitted till the date of making of the application 100% of interest and penalty waived off

No Tax Refund

The applicant shall not be eligible for any refund of tax that may arise as a result of the settlement scheme

Note

- The scheme will not be applicable to cases if appellate authority or revisionary authority or Court has remanded the case back to Assessing Officer for fresh assessment and the assessment has not been completed as on 31st January 2020.
- upon issue of certificate by the tax department confirming the settlement of arrears
 of tax, the review/appeal/revision pending shall be deemed to be withdrawn by the
 applicant.

Kindly note the above information is provided to you for general guidance purposes only. For any further details or in case of doubts contact our office at the earliest.