NO.F.1-11(8)-TAX/GST/2021 20772-876 GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF STATE TAX PANDIT NEHRU COMPLEX, GURKHABASTI AGARTALA, TRIPURA WEST, PIN-799006.

Dated, Agartala, the 28 June, 2021.

Circular No. 08/2021 - GST (State)

To
The Additional Commissioner of State Tax/
Deputy Commissioner of State Tax/
Assistant Commissioner of State Tax (CDC)-I / II/
Superintendent of State Tax (All)/
Inspector of State Tax (All)

Subject: Clarification regarding rate of tax applicable on construction services provided to a Government Entity, in relation to construction such as of a Ropeway on turnkey basis-reg.

The Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue vide Circular No. 152/08/2021–GST dated 17th June, 2021 has issued a clarification regarding rate of tax applicable on construction services provided to a Government Entity, in relation to construction such as of a Ropeway on turnkey basis, in order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of law across the field formations, which is annexed herewith.

In exercise of powers conferred by section 168 of the Tripura State Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Tripura Act No. 9 of 2017) for the purpose of uniformity in the implementation of the Act it is instructed to follow the clarification issued vide Circular No. 152/08/2021–GST dated 17th June, 2021 by the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue.

Enclo.: Circular No. 152/08/2021-GST.

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(Dr. Vishal Kumar, IAS) Chief Commissioner of State Tax Government of Tripura

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- 1. The P.S. to the Principal Secretary, Finance, Government of Tripura for favour of kind information to the Principal Secretary, Finance.
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- 3. The Assistant Statistical Officer, Statistical Section, O/o the Commissioner of Taxes & Excise, Agartala with request to upload the Circular in the Official website www.tripurataxes.nie.in.
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(Dr. Vishal Kumar, IAS) Chief Commissioner of State Tax Government of Tripura

CBIC-190354/36/2021-TRU Section-CBEC Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue

North Block, New Delhi, Dated the 17th June, 2021

To,

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

Madam/Sir,

Sub- Clarification regarding rate of tax applicable on construction services provided to a Government Entity, in relation to construction such as of a Ropeway on turnkey basis-reg.

Reference has been received by the Board for a clarification whether services supplied to a Government Entity by way of construction such as of "a ropeway" are eligible for concessional rate of 12% GST under entry No. 3 (vi) of Notification No. 11/2017- CT (R) dt. 28.06.2017. On the recommendation of the GST Council, this issue is clarified as below.

- **2.** According to entry No. 3(vi) of notification No. 11/2017-CT (R) dated 28.06.2017, GST rate of 12% is applicable, inter alia, on-
 - "(vi) Composite supply of works contract as defined in clause (119) of section 2 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, (other than that covered by items (i), (ia), (ib), (ic), (id), (ie) and (if) above) provided to the Central Government, State Government, Union Territory, a local authority a Governmental Authority or a Government Entity, by way of construction, erection, commissioning, installation, completion, fitting out, repair, maintenance, renovation, or alteration of
 - (a) a civil structure or any other original works <u>meant predominantly for use other</u> than for commerce, industry, or any other business or profession; "

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2.1 Thus, said entry No 3 (vi) does not apply to any works contract that is meant for the purposes of commerce, industry, business of profession, even if such service

is provided to the Central Government, State Government, Union Territory, a local authority a Governmental Authority or a Government Entity. The doubt seems to have arisen in the instant cases as Explanation to the said entry states, the term 'business' shall not include any activity or transaction undertaken by the Central Government, a State Government or any local authority in which they are engaged as public authorities. However, this explanation does not apply to Governmental Authority or Government Entity, as defined in clause (ix) and (x) of the explanation to said notification. Further, civil constructions, such as rope way for tourism development shall not be covered by said entry 3(vi) not being a structure that is meant predominantly for purposes other than business. While road, bridge, terminal, or railways are covered by entry No. 3(iv) and 3(v) of said notification, structures like ropeway are not covered by these entries too. Therefore, works contract service provided by way of construction such as of rope way shall fall under entry at sl. No. 3(xii) of notification 11/2017-(CTR) and attract GST at the rate of 18%.

3. Difficulty if any, may be brought to the notice of the Board.

Yours faithfully,

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