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GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA

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

Dated, Agartala, the PNovember, 2021.

Circular No. 21/2021 - GST (State)

To
The Additional Commissioner of State Tax/
Deputy Commissioner of State Tax/
Assistant Commissioner of State Tax (CDC)-1 / II/
Superintendent of State Tax (All)/
Inspector of State Tax (All)

Subject: Clarification in respect of applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C invoices and compliance of notification 14/2020- Central Tax dated 21st March, 2020 - Reg.

Madam / Sir,

The Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, GST Policy Wing vide Circular No. 165/21/2021–GST dated 17th November, 2021 has issued a clarification in respect of applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C invoices and compliance of notification 14/2020- Central Tax dated 21st March, 2020, 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. 165/21/2021–GST dated 17th November, 2021 by the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, GST Policy Wing.

Enclo.: Circular No. 165/21/2021-GST.

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Chief Commissioner of State Tax
Government of Tripura

Copy to:

- 1. The P.S. to the Secretary, Finance, Government of Tripura for favour of kind information to the Secretary, Finance.
- 2. 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.nic.in.
- 3. Guard File.

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Circular No. 165/21/2021-GST

CBEC-20/16/38/2020 -GST
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs
GST Policy Wing

New Delhi, dated the 17th November, 2021

To

The Principal Chief Commissioners / Chief Commissioners / Principal Commissioners / Commissioners of Central Tax (All)
The Principal Directors General / Directors General (All)

Madam/Sir,

Subject: Clarification in respect of applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C invoices and compliance of notification 14/2020- Central Tax dated 21st March, 2020 - Reg.

Various references have been received from trade and industry seeking further clarification on applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C (Registered person to Customer) invoices for compliance of notification 14/2020-Central Tax, dated 21st March, 2020 as amended. It has been represented that in some cases where, though the service recipient is located outside India and place of supply of the service is in India as per IGST Act 2017, the payment is received by the service provider located in India **not** in foreign exchange, but through other modes approved by RBI. In such cases, the supplier will not be fulfilling the condition specified in S. No. 4 of the Circular No. 156/12/2021 dated 21st June 2021, and accordingly, will be required to have dynamic QR code on the invoice. It has been also represented that relaxation from dynamic QR code on the invoices in such cases should be available if the payment is received through any RBI approved mode of payment, and not necessarily in foreign exchange.

- 2. The issues have been examined and in order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168(1) of the CGST Act, 2017, hereby clarifies the issues hereafter.
- 3. It is observed that from the present wording of S. No. 4 of Circular No. 156/12/2021 dated 21stJune 2021, doubt arises whether the relaxation from the requirement of dynamic QR code on the invoices would be available to such supplier, who receives payments from the recipient located outside India through RBI approved modes of payment, but <u>not</u> in foreign exchange. It is mentioned that the intention of clarification as per S. No. 4 in the said circular was not to deny relaxation in those cases, where the payment is received by the supplier as per any RBI approved mode, other than foreign exchange.
- 4. Accordingly, to clarify the matter further, the Entry at S. No. 4 of the Circular No. 156/12/2021-GST dated 21st June, 2021 is substituted as below:
- 4. "In cases, where receiver of services is located outside India, and payment is being received by the supplier of services, through RBI approved modes of payment, but as per provisions of the IGST Act 2017, the place of supply of such services is in India, then such supply of services is not considered as export of services as per the IGST Act 2017; whether in such cases, the Dynamic QR Code is required on the invoice issued, for such supply of services, to such recipient located outside India?

No. Wherever an invoice is issued to a recipient located outside India, for supply of services, for which the place of supply is in India, as per the provisions of IGST Act 2017, and the payment is received by the supplier, in convertible foreign exchange or in Indian Rupees wherever permitted by the RBI, such invoice may be issued without having a Dynamic QR Code, as such dynamic QR code cannot be used by the recipient located outside India for making payment to the supplier."

- 5. Circular No. 156/12/2021-GST, dated 21.06.2021 stands modified to this extent.
- 6. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.
- 7. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.