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As per minutes of meeting of GST Council held on 18th / 19th May 2017, the committee has decided to continue to grant the benefits of Notf. No. 51/96 and grant exemption from levy of IGST on imports of research equipments by research institutions registered under DSIR, GOI. [Refer SL No. 17 in Table 1]. Further, the Customs Department has vide Notf. No 43/2017 dated 30th June 2017 amended the original 51/96 notification to replace IGST with 'Additional Duties of Customs'. The notification is available here: <http://www.cbec.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-act/notifications/notfns-2017/cs-tarr2017/cs43-2017.pdf> [Refer SL No. 19] for your reference.

Accordingly,

(i) IGST is not leviable on Import of Research Equipments by IISC

(ii) Customs Duty will continue to be levied at concessional rate of 5% on value of import goods.

Domestic Procurement of equipments for Scientific Research:

The Sl No. 2 of recent Notification No. 45/2017 - Central Tax (Rate) dated 14th November 2017, has granted concessional rate of GST at 5% for the following goods purchased by Indian Institute of Science for research purpose:

- Scientific and technical instruments, apparatus, equipment (including computers);
- Accessories, parts, consumables and live animals (experimental purpose);
- Computer software, Compact Disc-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM), recorded magnetic tapes, microfilms, microfiches;
- Prototypes, the aggregate value of prototypes received by the institution does not exceed fifty thousand rupees [Rs. 50,000 per annum] in a financial year.

In order to avail the benefit of reduced GST Rates, the Institute will have to comply with the following conditions:

1. Issue a certificate on its letter head to each vendor at the time of each procurement certifying that the goods purchased are exclusively for scientific research.
2. The goods so procured at concessional rate of GST, shall not be sold or transferred for a period of 5 years.
3. The certificate will be issued by the Purchase Section for each purchase order.
4. It should be noted that, all the post facto indents with GST implications should comply with 5% of GST rate effective March 2018, if not earlier.

All the Departments/Units/Centres/Sections are requested to send the formal request in the prescribed format (which is attached).

It is requested all the chairs/heads of the concerned dept/unit/centre/section to bring it to the knowledge of the concerned.


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