

Knowledge Series on GST- E-Waybill, Valuation, Export Refunds, ITC, Time & Place of Supply

Chandigarh, May 16, 2018: Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) in association with Tax and Trade Services (TTS) organized “One Day Workshop on Knowledge series on “Goods and Services Tax”.

The focus of session was to provide the Industry with the recent developments in GST Laws with special reference to provisions of E-Way Bill, Export Refunds, Valuation, Concept of Supply, Job Work and Reverse Charge Mechanism. Key Industries personnel from Punjab, Chandigarh and Himachal Pradesh along with senior officials from Central Goods & Service Tax participated in the deliberations.

G.B. Singh Regional Head-FICCI, Chandigarh and **Sanjay Malhotra**, Indirect Tax Expert & Practicing Company Secretary, TTS welcomed Chief Guest **Manoranjan Kaur Virk (IRS)**, Chief Commissioner, CGST, Chandigarh and Central Excise Zone and **Rajan Dutt (IRS) Additional Commissioner(CGST)-Chief Commissioner Unit, Chandigarh. Deepak Nanda**, Managing Director- Trident Limited, who were the Guest of honor on this occasion.

Sanjay Malhotra, Indirect Tax Expert & Practicing Company Secretary, TTS and keynote speaker for technical session on “Concept of Supply”, Valuation in GST, Export Refunds and Input Tax Credit, shared in detail the benefits of various provisions of GST in the Company’s top line (Revenue) and Bottom Line (Profitability). He stated that as on date more than 12 lacs E-Way Bills are generated per day and out of which 60% are Inter-State and rest 40% being Intra-State.

Chief Commissioner, CGST, Chandigarh and Central Excise Zone, Manoranjan Kaur Virk (IRS), advised Industry to put forth their concerns on regular basis to take up with GST Council and CBIC. She said ‘handholding’ will ameliorate the problems of the trade of assesses in the incipient stages. Help-Desks & Sewa Kendras already set up in all the offices for redressal of trade’s problems and dedicated cell of 20 officers has been constituted for seamless registration of the new GST assesses. She further said, all officers from Commissioners to Inspectors will be accessible to the trade on telephones and e-mails, adding that due to focussed and concerted approach, Chandigarh Zone has been in the forefront of GST Compliance. Punjab is the national leader with 93% of the eligible assesses filing the GSTR 3(B) returns followed by Himachal Pradesh at 86%, Jammu & Kashmir at 83%, against a national average of 85%, she added.

Rajan Dutt (IRS) Additional Commissioner (CGST)-Chief Commissioner Unit, Chandigarh said CGST & Central Excise, Zone Chandigarh has left no stone unturned to make the transition to GST seamless and as far as possible, glitch free. Each assessee of Central Excise and Service Tax in the states of Punjab, Chandigarh (U.T.), Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir has been individually contacted and informed about the procedure to migrate to the GST portal. He said almost 1100 industry outreach programmes, assessee awareness and sectoral specific interactive sessions have been conducted, besides capacity building of the of almost 4500 Officers and staff of CBEC and VAT departments of Punjab, Chandigarh (U.T.), Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir.

Dr. Mandeep Batish (IRS), Deputy Commissioner, CGST Division Patiala (Punjab) & **Dr. Nikhil Kumar Singh (IRS)**, Assistant Commissioner CGST Division, Baddi (H.P) were the Guest of Honor for Technical Session-II. Both senior officers addressed the concerns / grievances of Trade and Industry. Dr. Nikhil Kumar Singh took the technical session on Job Work / Reverse Charge Mechanism.

Among other senior officials present in the post lunch technical sessions were **Mr. Anil Gupta (IRS)**, (Assistant Commissioner-CGST) Derabassi, Mohali, who have been supportive to Industry in GST transition.

Mr. G.B Singh, Regional Head-FICCI, Chandigarh stated that the regional unit shall be having GST sessions on monthly basis to educate Trade and address / put forth their concerns to Officers of GST / GST Council on regular basis for redressal.