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# Exemption from registration

As per Notification no. 10/2019-Central Tax, dated 7 March 2019, w.e.f 1 April 2019, persons engaged exclusively in supply of goods and having aggregate turnover less than INR 40 lakhs would be exempt from obtaining registration. The exceptions to this are:

- Person required to be compulsorily registered under Section 24 of CGST Act, 2017.
- Person engaged in supply of ice cream and other edible ice, tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes, and *pan masala*.
- Persons engaged in making intra-State supplies in Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Puducherry, Sikkim, Telangana, Tripura and Uttarakhand.
- Persons exercising option for voluntary registration.

#### Increase in turnover limit for composition scheme

With effect from 1 April 2019, under Notification no. 14/2019-Central Tax, dated 7 March 2019, the annual aggregate turnover limit for composition scheme is increased to INR 1.5 crore. For Special Category States (Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura and Uttarakhand) the turnover limit is INR 75 lakhs.

Composition scheme is not available to manufacturers of ice cream and other edible ice, tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes, and *pan masala*.

## Lower tax rate for suppliers having turnover less than INR 50 lakhs

With effect from 1 April 2019, Notification no. 2/2019-Central Tax (Rate), dated 7 March 2019, a lower tax rate of 6% has been introduced for suppliers of goods and / or services. The conditions are as follows:

- Aggregate turnover of up to INR 50 lakhs in the financial year
- The person should not be eligible to pay tax under the composition scheme
- The person is engaged in making supplies taxable under the CGST Act, 2017
- The person only makes intra-State supplies
- The person is not a casual taxable person or non-resident taxable person
- The person is not engaged in making supplies through e-commerce operators
- The person is not supplying ice cream and other edible ice, tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes, and pan masala
- > GST at the applicable rate is paid by all registered units of the person



- > The person should not be eligible to collect tax from the recipient or avail input credit
- > The person should issue a Bill of Supply instead off Tax invoice

#### Due date of filing return in Form GSTR-3B and payment of tax

For April to June 2019, the due date of payment of tax and filing of returns in Form GSTR-3B has been extended to 12th of the following month.

#### Due date of filing return in Form GSTR-1

For April to June 2019, the due date of filing returns in Form GSTR-1 (persons with aggregate turnover of more than INR 1.5 crore) has been notified as 11th of the following month.

# Due date of filing quarterly return in Form GSTR-1

For April to June 2019, the due date of filing quarterly returns in Form GSTR-1 (persons with aggregate turnover of less than INR 1.5 crore) has been notified as 31 July 2019.