

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF STATE TAX  
CUM COMMISSIONER OF TAXES, ASSAM  
KAR BHAWAN :: DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

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CIRCULAR NO. 101/2021-GST

Dated Dispur the 21st May, 2021.

**Subject: Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for implementation of the provision of extension of time limit to apply for revocation of cancellation of registration under section 30 of the Assam GST Act, 2017 and rule 23 of the Assam GST Rules, 2017 – reg.**

**No. CT/GST-15/2017/443.**— As you are aware that *vide* The Assam Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Act, 2020, section 30 of the Assam Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as “Assam GST Act”) was amended and the same is being notified with effect from 01.01.2021. The amended provision provides for extension of time limit for applying for revocation of cancellation of registration on sufficient cause being shown and for reasons to be recorded in writing, by:

- (a) the Additional or Joint Commissioner, as the case may be, for a period not exceeding thirty days;
- (b) the Commissioner, for a further period not exceeding thirty days, beyond the period specified in clause (a) above.

Consequently, changes are being made in rule 23 and **FORM GST REG-21** of the Assam Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017.

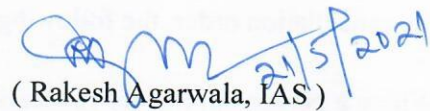
2. In order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of above rule across the field formations, till the time an independent functionality for extension of time limit for applying in **FORM GST REG-21** is developed on the GSTN portal, the Principal Commissioner of State tax, in exercise of its powers conferred by section 168 of the Assam GST Act, hereby provides the following guidelines for implementation of the provision for extension of time limit for applying for revocation of cancellation of registration under the said section and rule.
3. As has been provided in section 30 of the Assam GST Act, any registered person whose registration is cancelled by the proper officer on his own motion, may apply to such officer in **FORM GST REG-21**, for revocation of cancellation of registration within 30 days from the date of service of the cancellation order. In case the registered person applies for revocation of cancellation beyond 30 days, but within 90 days from the date of service of the cancellation order, the following procedure is specified for handling such cases:

- 4.1. Where a person applies for revocation of cancellation of registration beyond a period of 30



days from the date of service of the order of cancellation of registration, but within 60 days of such date, the said person may request, through letter or e-mail, for extension of time limit to apply for revocation of cancellation of registration to the proper officer by providing the grounds on which such extension is sought. The proper officer shall forward the request to the jurisdictional Joint/Additional Commissioner for decision on the request for extension of time limit.

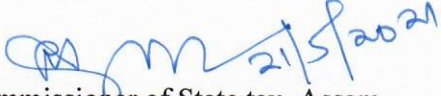
- 4.2 The Joint/Additional Commissioner, on examination of the request filed for extension of time limit for revocation of cancellation of registration and on sufficient cause being shown and for reasons to be recorded in writing, may extend the time limit to apply for revocation of cancellation of registration. In case the request is accepted, the extension of the time limit shall be communicated to the proper officer. However, in case the concerned Joint/Additional Commissioner, is not satisfied with the grounds on which such extension is sought, an opportunity of personal hearing may be granted to the person before taking decision in the matter. In case of rejection of the request for the extension of time limit, the grounds for such rejection may be communicated to the person concerned, through the proper officer.
- 4.3 On receipt of the decision of the Joint/Additional Commissioner on request for extension of time limit for applying for revocation of cancellation of registration, the proper officer shall process the application for revocation of cancellation of registration according to the law and procedure laid down in this regard.
5. Procedure similar to that explained in paragraph 4.1 to 4.3 above, shall be followed *mutatis-mutandis* in case a person applies for revocation of cancellation of registration beyond a period of 60 days from the date of service of the order of cancellation of registration but within 90 days of such date.
6. The circular shall cease to have effect once the independent functionality for extension of time limit for applying in **FORM GST REG-21** is developed on the GSTN portal.
7. This Circular is clarificatory in nature and not meant for any interpretation of provisions of the Act and rules.
8. Difficulties, if any, in implementation of the above instructions may be brought to the notice of the Principal Commissioner at an early date.
9. This Circular shall be deemed to have been issued on 18th May, 2021.

  
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