



IESA'S 6th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING : A VIRTUAL MEETING ON ZOOM

The impact of COVID-19, which reflects the Government ban on public gatherings, Executive Committee Members of IESA decided to organize its 6th Annual General Meeting (AGM) via video conference on ZOOM. It was held on 26th September, 2020 at 4.00 PM on Zoom. All Founder and Executive members were invited to attend the AGM.

The 6th AGM was led by the Mr. Sunil More, President, IESA. He welcomed Founder President—Mr. Nanu Binu ; Imm. Past President—Mr. H K Bhattad; all Executive Committee and members who were present at virtual AGM.

It was a very successful meeting and despite the discussion on the agenda, members also discussed on the current scenario of pandemic that severely crushed the exhibition & events industry. With the positive note and optimism, the AGM was concluded with a vote of thanks. A glimpse of picture of the 6th Annual General Meeting of IESA are as under.



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A Message from the President



Sunil More
President, IESA

Dear Friends,

Season Greetings!

Wishing you and your loved ones peace, health, happiness and prosperity in the festival season starting October 2020.

In compliance with the current government orders and guidelines aimed at ensuring public safety in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, IESA organized its 6th Annual General Meeting on 26th September, 2020 via ZOOM and I thank members for attending the same. It was a successful meeting with the Executive Committee (EC) members and other members shared their views on the current situation.

Finally the Government has acceded to the request of the Industry Associations, the Ministry of Home Affairs issued guidelines under UNLOCK.5 approving B2B Exhibitions with effect from 15th October 2020. The SOPs for the same have also been issued and circulated to members. I hope that this move will be a big help to all of us in rebooting our business,

We have already been seeing some activity with announcement of fresh dates for some of the events and as we now move to gear up our activities and start working. I request you to remain vigilant and strictly follow the hygiene and safety norms as well as guidelines issued by the government and the local bodies. If we follow the rules and regulations religiously, we can expect further relaxations from the government very soon.

Friends, I earnestly request you in ensuring that nothing goes wrong at the event venues so that we all will be safe and in business.

Extending my best wishes for the coming festival season and with warm regards.

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AEFI READY TO WELCOME EXHIBITORS AND BUYERS FROM ALL COUNTRIES



Against the backdrop of the Italian Government's recognition that the attendance of a trade show is an "essential travel," AEFI – Associazione Esposizioni e Fiere Italiane (the Italian Exhibition and Trade Fair Association), is gearing up to welcome foreign operators from all countries, both exhibitors and buyers.

Foreign operators coming from a risk area (except for a few high risk countries) are

allowed to travel to Italy. This will require an authorisation issued by the Italian Ministry of Health on request of trade fair organisers or venues. Upon arrival, operators have to declare to be tested negative within the past 72 hours. Request and authorisation must comply with Italian regulations in terms of containing Covid-19 epidemic.

The Italian Prime Ministerial Decree, issued on 7 August 2020, has set a definitive date for the exhibitions industry to open its doors again. From 1 September 2020, exhibition centres were able to host fairs and conferences, conditional on the adoption of protocols validated by

the Technical/ scientific committee and social distancing measures dependent on the size and characteristics of the exhibition facilities themselves.

The stipulation of a single date for re-opening the industry nationwide is essential for the adoption of a new national and international calendar of events by all industry professionals.

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GST UPDATES DURING SEPTEMBER, 2020

NOTIFICATION

Notification no. 66/2020 dt. 21st September 2020.

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 66/2020—Central Tax dt. 21st Sept 2020 for issuance of invoice. As per Section 31(7) of the CGST Act 2017, if the goods are sent on an approval basis, the invoice needs to be generated within six months. the notification now mandates that if the six months fall between 20th March 2020 to 30th Oct 2020, the invoice can be generated by 31st Oct 2020.

Notification no. 67/2020 dt. 21st September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 67/2020—Central Tax dt. 21st Sept 2020. Composition dealers who couldn't file their quarterly GSTR 4 return for the period 1st July 2017 to 31st March 2019 have been given the option to file the pending return by paying late fees of Rs 250 per return under each act. It has also been provided that If the tax payable is NIL, then late fees shall be completely waived off.

Notification no. 68/2020 dt. 21st September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 68/2020—Central Tax dt. 21st Sept 2020. Every registered person who has surrendered their registration under GST or whose GST registration has been cancelled are required to file final return in GSTR 10 within three months of cancellation.



CA RAMAN KHATUWALA

Notification no. 70/2020 dt. 30th September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 70/2020—Central Tax dt. 30th Sept 2020. The notification has made two changes in the E-invoicing mechanism.

Notification no. 71/2020 dt. 30th September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 71/2020—Central Tax dt. 30th Sept 2020. The notification has extended the generation of QR code by registered person having an aggregate



All those registered person who couldn't file GSTR 10 have been given an option to file the same before 31st December 2020 by paying a late fee of Rs 250 under each act.

Notification no. 69/2020 dt. 30th September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 69/2020—Central Tax dt. 30th Sept 2020. The last date of filing annual return for the financial year 2018-19 has been extended till 31st Oct 2020.

turnover of more than Rs 500 cr for supply made to unregistered person till 1st Dec 2020.

Notification no. 72/2020 dt. 30th September 2020

First change—Every business enterprise whose aggregate turnover in any financial year exceeds Rs 500 cr is required to issue E-invoice. The notification has mandated instead of any preceding financial year, E-invoice is required to be issued only if the

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turnover has crossed Rs 500 cr in any of the financial year from 2017 - 18 onwards.

Second Change—E-invoice mechanism has to be complied with if the sale is for the export of goods outside India.

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 72/2020—Central Tax dt. 30th Sept 2020. The notification has amended Rule 46 of the CGST Act

2017 and has mandated for the generation of QR code by every registered

person who is liable for generating E-invoice.

Notification no. 73/2020 dt. 30th September 2020

The Central Government has issued a notification no. 73/2020—Central Tax dt. 30th Sept 2020. The notification has mandated that a registered person who is required to comply with the E-invoice provision can do so within 30 days from the date of the invoice.

This relaxation shall be available till 31st Oct 2020. The notification further says that

if the compliance of E-invoice is not made within the period of 30 days from the date of the invoice, then it shall be deemed that the invoice has never been issued.

JUDGEMENTS

Cial Duty Free & Retail Services Ltd. (CDRSL) vs Union of India (Kerala High Court)

Facts of the case

The applicant is into the supply of goods from the duty-free shop located at Calicut International Airport. The question before the Hon'ble High Court was to decide the applicability of GST law on the transaction made by the duty- free shop to outbound passengers.

Held

Hon'ble Kerala HC ruled that duty-free shops are outside the customs frontiers of India. It further held that the supply made to outgoing passengers by the duty-free shops shall be treated as an export of goods under IGST and will thus qualify as zero-rated supply. It further held that

the petitioner is eligible for a 100% refund of ITC.

Tvl. Transtunnel stroy Afcons Joint Venture vs Union of India (Madras High Court)

Facts of the case

The question before the Hon'ble High Court was to decide the refund of unutilized ITC of input services accumulated on account of inverted duty structure.

Held

Hon'ble Madras HC ruled that restriction imposed by Rule 89 of CGST Rules 2017 debarring refund of unutilized ITC of input services on account of inverted duty structure is in line with Section 54 of the CGST Act 2017 and is not against Constitution.



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Upcoming Exhibitions/Events

A decent number of Exhibitions/ Trade Shows to be held in the month of August-October, 2020 have been postponed or cancelled worldwide due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

We will share the updates on upcoming Exhibitions/ Events in the edition of next month.

Keep Reading and Stay Safe !!



From the Editor's Desk

Dear Readers,

Warm greetings to the readers of 27th edition of IESA Times—August-September, 2020.

We are pleased to share with you this issue of the E-newsletter. As we all aware that the Covid-19 pandemic has disrupted the economic activity of the country and has created a situation of global financial crisis. The rise of Coronavirus (COVID-19) has placed us in an unusual predicament, where staying home matters more than seeing the world. It also badly impacts on the Exhibition and events industry in India.

The Indian Government has taken firm steps to deal with this unprecedented crisis and as responsible citizens, it is our duty to follow the instructions issued by the authorities at the Centre, State and local administration levels. Recently a new guidelines were issued in which government allowed the B2B exhibitions with SOPs. This is surely a

new hope to re-boost the industry as well as the business opportunities once again.

In these times, IESA is also putting its best effort and strives to keep the members connected through its e-newsletter, by keeping the forum members updated on relevant news & activities about IESA.

In this edition, we have covered the report on IESA's 6th Annual General Meeting held on 26th September, 2020 on ZOOM and article on amendments on GST in the month of September 2020. Hoping this information will be useful for you all.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope to see you soon on our upcoming newsletter.

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