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The Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) has enabled over 20,000 registrations and processed about 8,000 refund cases till April 3, 2020, during the first 10 days of the lockdown.

The IT backbone of GST said in a statement that it had provided remote access, securely through virtual private network or VPN, to over 1700 tax officials across the country.

"The company is providing secured access to the office network on request," it added. Nominated officers use VPN to access the back office to avoid any backlog due to nonprocessing of cases.

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During the same period, 7876 cases of refund were also processed.

GSTN provides back-office applications like processing of registration application, processing of refund applications, audit, assessment, appeal etc. tax officers in 29 states and union territories, apart from 1.23 crore taxpayers.

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