Gist of 2010 Notifications in Service Tax

Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), Government of India has issued as much as 43 notifications, viz Notification Nos 1 to 43 in 2010 so far, highest ever in just half year. Of these, 20 notifications have been issued on 22.6.2010 and afterwords. These pertain to the date of applicability of service tax on new services introduced by Finance Act, 2010 and certain exemptions to various taxable services. In three notifications, corrigendum have also been issued.

| Service No. | Tax Notification | Subject |
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| | dated 19.2.2010 | Amendment in service tax rules [rule 6 (2) and rule 7 (2)]- E payment & efiling |
| | | Exempts domestically developed packaged or canned software for single use and packaged accordingly from whole of Service Tax. |
| 3/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Amends Notification No.24/2004-ST dated 10.09.2004. the definition of vocational training institute has been amended so as to covered only ITI or Industrial Training Centres affiliated to National Council for vocational trainee. |
| 4/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Amends Notification No.33/2004-ST dated 03.12.2004. exempts services provided by GTA in relation to food grains or pulses. |
| 5/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Rescinds Notification No.1/2000-ST dated 09.02.2000 (Notification No.01/00 exempts taxable services provided by Government of Rajasthan under group personal accidents scheme. |
| 6/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Amends certain provisions of exports of services rules notified under Notification No.09/2005-ST dated 03.03.2005. |
| 7/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Rescinds Notification No.33/2009-ST dated 01.09.2009 (Notification No.33/2009-ST exempts taxable services provided by any person in relation to transport of goods by Rail. This Notification will come in to effect from 01.04.2010. (See Notification No 20 & 33 also) |
| 8/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Exempts services provided in relation to transport of goods by rail in respect of certain specified goods. (See Notification No 21 & 34 also) |
| 9/2010-ST | dated 27.02.2010 | Amends Notification No.1/2006-ST dated 01.03.2006 so as to Provides abatement of 70% in relation to transport of goods by rail services. (See Notification No 22 & 35 also) |
| 10/2010-S' 27.02.2010 | | Exempts taxable services provided by a Central or State seed testing laboratory and Central or State Seed Certification Agency. |
| 11/2010-S' 27.02.2010 | | Exempts Services provided in relation to transmission of electricity |
| 12/2010-S' 27.02.2010 | | Exempts erection commissioning or installation services provided in relation to grain handling system cold storage units processing Agricultural, apiary, horticultural, dairy, poultry, aquatic and marine products and meat. |
| 13/2010-S' 27.02.2010 | | Exempts information technology services provided by News Agencies. |
| 14/2010-S' 27.02.2010 | | Amends Notification No.1/2002-ST dated 01.03.2002. Extends provisions of Service Tax to continental shelf and EEZ of India for insulation construction of structures and vessels prospecting extraction or production of mineral oil natural gas and supply thereof only. |

The gist of these notifications is as follows-

| 15/2010-ST 27.02.2010 | dated | Amends Service Tax Valuation Rules so as to excludes taxes levied by Government on any passenger travelling by air. |
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| 16/2010-ST | dated | Amends certain provisions of import of service rules notified under |
| 27.02.2010 | | Notification No.11/2006-ST dated 09.11.2006. |
| 17/2010-ST | dated | Exempts imported packaged or canned software for single use and |
| 27.10.2010 | | packaged accordingly from whole of Service Tax. |
| 18/2010-ST date | d 23.3.2010 | Amendment in Notification No 18/2007-ST dated 18.5.2007, bifurcation of Mumbai Jurisdiction into Mumbai I and Mumbai II |
| 19/2010-ST date | d 23.3.2010 | A Amendment in Notification No 19/2007-ST dated 12.5.2007, bifurcation of Mumbai Jurisdiction into Mumbai I and Mumbai II |
| 20/2010-ST date | d 30.3.2010 | AmendmentinNotificationNo7/2010-STdated27.2.2010Extension of rescissionof levy of service tax on Transportation of goods by railway fromApril 1 to July 1, 2010(See Notification No 33 also) |
| 21/2010-ST date | d 30.3.2010 | A Amendment in Notification No 8/2010-ST dated |
| | | 27.2.2010 Extension of exemption from April 1 to July 1,2010 in relation to transportation of goods by railway (See Notification No 34 also) |
| 22/2010-ST date | | |
| | | from April 1 to July 1,2010 in relation to transportation of goods by railway as provided in Notification No 1/2006(See Notification No 35 also) |
| 23/2010 –ST | C dated | C Coaching centre –exemption to modular skill development courses |
| 23/2010 -31 27.4.2010 | ualeu | c Coaching centre –exemption to modular skin development courses |
| 24/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | D Date of enforcement of 2010 provisions and new taxable services (1.7.2010) |
| 25/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | E Exemption to persons in air transport of passenger services – transit passengers, employees (zzzo) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 26/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | E Exemption from service tax in excess of 10 percent in air transport of passengers (zzzo) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 27/2010-ST date | | Exemption to travel from / to airports in north eastern states – air transport of passenger services (zzzo) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 28/2010-ST date | | Exemption to construction of complex services provided to JLNNUR Mission / Rajiv Awaas Yojna (zzzh) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 29/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | Amendment in exemption Notification No 1/2006 |
| | | C Commercial construction (zzq) – 75 % abatement where value includes land. |
| | | C Construction of complex (zzzh) – 75 % abatement where value includes land |
| 30/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | Exemption to sponsorship of sports/ games to specified bodies / federation (zzzn) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 31/2010-ST dated | d 22.6.2010 | Exemption to specified services provided in airport / port w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| 32/2010-ST date | 1 22.6.2010 | Exemption to electricity distribution (BAS, Franchise) w.e.f. 1.7.2010 |
| | | Notification No 7/2010 (Rail transport services) to be effective from date 1.1.2011 |
| 34/2010-ST date | d 22.6.2010 | Notification No 8/2010 (Rail transport services) to be effective from date 1.1.2011 |
| 35/2010-ST date | | Notification No 9/2010 (Rail transport services) to be effective from date 1.1.2011 |
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| 36 / 2010-ST | dated Exemption to service tax leviable on advance payment received before |
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| 28.6.2010 | appointed dated (ie, 1.7.2010) in respect of taxable services as mentioned in section 76 (A) of Finance Act, 2010 except the services of commercial coaching and training (zzc) and renting of property (zzzz) |
| | ,ie, exemption would be available to services- |
| | (zn) Port services |
| | (zzl) Minor ports |
| | (zzm) Air port services |
| | (zzq) Commercial & industrial construction |
| | (zzzh) Construction of complex services |
| | (zzzn) Sponsorship |
| | (zzzo) Air transport of passengers |
| | (zzzr) Auctioneer's services |
| | (zzzze) Information technology services |
| | (zzzzf) ULIP management services |
| | (zzzzm) Legal consultancy services |
| | (zzzzn New services introduced by |
| | to Finance Act, 2010 |
| | zzzzu) |
| | (Also see corrigendum dated 29.6.2010 |
| 37 / 2010-ST | dated Amendment to Notification No 17/ 2009-ST dated 7.7.2009 - Airport |
| 28.6.2010 | services (zzm) in respect of export of goods eligible for refund of tax vide Notification No 17/2009 |
| 38 / 2010-ST | dated Exemption to commercial or industrial construction services (zzq) |
| 28.6.2010 | provided within port or other port for construction, repair, alteration |
| | and renovation of wharves, quays, docks, stages, jetties, piers and railways. |
| 39 / 2010-ST | dated Amendment in Service Tax Rules 1994- proviso added to Rule 4 A to |
| 28.6.2010 | state that in case of air transport of passengers, invoice / bill/ challar |
| | will include ticket issued in any form and with or without containing |
| | details of registration number, classification of service & address of service receiver. (Also see corrigendum dated 30.6.2010) |
| 40 / 2010-ST | dated Amendment in Notification No 1/2010 –ST dated 1.3.2006 providing |
| 28.6.2010 | abatements/ exemptions to following services if provided within ports (zn), other ports (zzl) and airports (zzm) – |
| 1 | New, sale ports (EE) and an ports (EEII) |

| S | S.No of Taxable Service |
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| N | Notification |
| 3 | Rent a cab service (o) |
| 5 | erection, commissioning & Installation service (zzd) |
| 7 | Commercial or industrial construction services (zzq) |
| | (a) Commercial or industrial construction services including land (zzq) |
| 1 | 0 Construction of complex service(zzzh) |
| 1 | 0 (a) Construction of complex service(including land) (zzzh) |
| 1 | 1 Transport of goods by rail service (zzzp) |
| | Also see corrigendum dated 30.6.2010) |
| | Full exemption to following services if provided in port / air port- |
| | • Cargo & warehousing service for agricultural produce / cold storage. |
| | • Storage & warehousing service for agricultural produce / cold storage. |
| | • Transport of export goods in aircraft by aircraft operator. |
| | • Site formation and clearance, excavation and earth moving and demolition service |
| | Full exemption to commercial and industrial services provided within irport. |
| 43/2010-ST dated 30.6.2010 A | Amendment in Notification No 13/2008 –ST dated 1.3.2008 (zn, zzl, zm added) |