

**No. EXN—C009(08)/1/2021-GST CELL-E&T-Part-I-925-43**  
**Government of Himachal Pradesh,**  
**Department of State Taxes and Excise.**

To

1. The Additional/Jt. Commissioner of State Taxes and Excise, (South Zone, North Zone, Central Zone), Shimla, Palampur, Mandi, H.P.
2. The Joint Commissioner of State Taxes and Excise, Flying Squad, (Central Zone, North Zone, South Zone), Una, Palampur, Parwanoo, H.P.
3. The Dy. Commissioner of State Taxes and Excise, Shimla, Solan, Una, Sirmour, Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Mandi, Kullu, Chamba, Kangra, Revenue Distt Nurpur and BBN Baddi, H.P.
4. The Asstt. Commissioner of State Taxes and Excise, Incharge Distt. Kinnour, H.P.

Dated

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14<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2022.

**Sir,**

**Subject: Clarification in respect of applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C invoices and compliance of notification 14/2020- State Tax dated 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 - Reg.**

Various doubts have arisen on applicability of Dynamic Quick Response (QR) Code on B2C (Registered person to Customer) invoices for compliance of notification 14/2020-State Tax, dated 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 as amended. It has been represented that in some cases where, though the service recipient is located outside India and place of supply of the service is in India as per IGST Act 2017, the payment is received by the service provider located in India **not** in foreign exchange, but through other modes approved by RBI. In such cases, the supplier will not be fulfilling the condition specified in S. No. 4 of the Circular No. 156/12/2021 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec., 2021, and accordingly, will be required to have dynamic QR code on the invoice. It has been also represented that relaxation from dynamic QR code on

the invoices in such cases should be available if the payment is received through any RBI approved mode of payment, and not necessarily in foreign exchange.

2. The issues have been examined and in order to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across the field formations, in exercise of powers conferred under section 168 of the HPGST Act, 2017, the issues are clarified hereafter.

3. It is observed that from the present wording of S. No. 4 of Circular No. 156/12/2021 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021, doubt arises whether the relaxation from the requirement of dynamic QR code on the invoices would be available to such supplier, who receives payments from the recipient located outside India through RBI approved modes of payment, but **not** in foreign exchange. It is mentioned that the intention of clarification as per S. No. 4 in the said circular was not to deny relaxation in those cases, where the payment is received by the supplier as per any RBI approved mode, other than foreign exchange.

4. Accordingly, to clarify the matter further, the Entry at S. No. 4 of the Circular No. 156/12/2021-GST dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021 is substituted as below:

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| 4. | " In cases, where receiver of services is located outside India, and payment is being received by the supplier of services ,through RBI approved modes of payment, but as per provisions of the IGST Act 2017, the place of supply of such services is in India, then such supply of services is not considered as export of services as per the IGST Act 2017; whether in such cases, the Dynamic QR Code is required on the invoice issued, for such supply of services, to such recipient located outside India?" | No. Wherever an invoice is issued to a recipient located outside India, for supply of services, for which the place of supply is in India, as per the provisions of IGST Act 2017, and the payment is received by the supplier, in convertible foreign exchange or in Indian Rupees wherever permitted by the RBI, such invoice may be issued without having a Dynamic QR Code, as such dynamic QR code cannot be used by the recipient located outside India for making payment to the supplier." |
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5. Circular No. 156/12/2021-GST, dated 03.12.2021 stands modified to this extent.
6. This circular shall come into force w.e.f. 17.11.2021.
7. Difficulty, if any, in the implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice this office.

**Yours Faithfully,**

Sd/-

**Yunus, (IAS)**

**Commissioner of State Taxes and Excise,  
Himachal Pradesh**