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(क)	फ़ाइल संख्या / File No.	GAPPL/COM/STP/4268/2023 1820 - 7V				
(ख)	अपील आदेश संख्याऔर दिनांक / Order-In –Appeal and date	AHM-EXCUS-001-APP-267/2023-24 and 13.02.2024				
(ग)	पारित किया गया / .Passed By	श्री ज्ञानचंद जैन, आयुक्त (अपील) Shri Gyan Chand Jain, Commissioner (Appeals)				
(ঘ)	जारी करने की दिनांक / Date of Issue	13.02.2024				
(ङ)	Arising out of Order-In-Original No. 548/AC/DivI/HKB/2022-23 dated 28.03.2023 passed by The Assistant Commissioner, Central GST, Division-I, Ahmedabad South.					
(च)	अपीलकर्ता का नाम और पता / Name and Address of the Appellant	M/s. Yogeshkumar Parsottambhai Patel, H-18, Triveni Park, Nr. Rameshwar Park, Vastral, Ahmedabad-382418				

कोई व्यक्ति इस अपील-आदेश से असंतोष अनुभव करता है तो वह इस आदेश के प्रति यथास्थिति नीचे बताए गए सक्षम अधिकारी को अपील अथवा पुनरीक्षण आवेदन प्रस्तुत कर सकता है, जैसा कि ऐसे आदेश के विरुद्ध हो सकता है।

Any person aggrieved by this Order-in-Appeal may file an appeal or revision application, as the one may be against such order, to the appropriate authority in the following way.

भारत सरकार का पुनरीक्षण आवेदन:-

#### Revision application to Government of India:

(1) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क अधिनियम, 1994 की धारा अतत नीचे बताए गए मामलों के बारे में पूर्वोक्त धारा को उप-धारा के प्रथम परन्तुक के अंतर्गत पुनरीक्षण आवेदन अधीन सचिव, भारत सरकार, वित्त मंत्रालय, राजस्व विभाग, चौथी मंजिल, जीवन दीप भवन, संसद मार्ग, नई दिल्ली: 110001 को की जानी चाहिए:-

A revision application lies to the Under Secretary, to the Govt. of India, Revision Application Unit Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, 4th Floor, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110 001 under Section 35EE of the CEA 1944 in respect of the following case, governed by first proviso to sub-section (1) of Section-35 ibid:

(क) यदि माल की हानि के मामले में जब ऐसी हानिकार खाने से किसी भण्डागार या अन्य कारखाने में या किसी भण्डागार से दूसरे भण्डागार में माल ले जाते हुए मार्ग में, या किसी भण्डागार या भण्डार में चाहे वह किसी कारखाने में या किसी भण्डागार मे हो माल की प्रकिया के दौरान हुई हो।

In case of any loss of goods where the loss occur in transit from a factory to a warehouse or to another factory or from one warehouse to another during the course of processing of the goods in a warehouse or in storage whether in a factory or in a warehouse.

(ख) भारत के बाहर किसी राष्ट्र या प्रदेश में निर्यातित माल पर या माल के विनिर्माण में उपयोग शुल्क कच्चे माल पर उत्पादन शुल्क के रिबेट के मामलें में जो भारत कि किसी राष्ट्र या प्रदेश में निर्यातित है। In case of rebate of duty of excise on goods exported to any country or territory outside India of on excisable material used in the manufacture of the goods which are exported to any country or territory outside India.

(ग) यदि शुल्क का भुगतान किए बिना भारत के बाहर (नेपाल या भूटान को) निर्यात किया गया माल हो।

In case of goods exported outside India export to Nepal or Bhutan, without payment of duty.

(घ) अंतिम उत्पादन की उत्पादन शुल्क के भुगतान के लिए जो डयूटी केडिट मान्य की गई है और ऐसे आदेश जो इस धारा एवं नियम के मुताबिक आयुक्त, अपील के द्वारा पारित वो समय पर या बाद में वित्त अधिनियम (नं 2) 1998 धारा 109 द्वारा नियुक्त किए गए हो।

Credit of any duty allowed to be utilized towards payment of excise duty on final products under the provisions of this Act or the Rules made there under and such order is passed by the Commissioner (Appeals) on or after, the date appointed under Sec. 109 of the Finance (No.2) Act, 1998.

(2) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क (अपील) नियमावली, 2001 के नियम 9 के अंतर्गत विनिर्दिष्ट प्रपत्र संख्या इए-8 में दो प्रतियों में, प्रेषित आदेश के प्रति आदेश प्रेषित दिनाँक से तीन मास के भीतरमूल-आदेश एवं अपील आदेश की दो-दो प्रतियों के साथ उचित आवेदन किया जाना चाहिए। उसके साथ खाता इ का मुख्य शीर्ष के अंतर्गत धारा 35-इ में निर्धारित फी के भुगतान के सबूत के साथ टीआर-6 चालान की प्रति भी होनी चाहिए।

The above application shall be made in duplicate in Form No. EA-8 as specified under Rule, 9 of Central Excise (Appeals) Rules, 2001 within 3 months from the date on which the order sought to be appealed against is communicated and shall be accompanied by two copies each of the OIO and Order-In-Appeal. It should also be accompanied by a copy of TR-6 Challan evidencing payment of prescribed fee as prescribed under Section 35-EE of CEA, 1944, under Major Head of Account.

(3) रिविजन आवेदन के साथ जहाँ संलग्न रकम एक लाख रूपये या उससे कम होतो रूपये 200/- फीस भुगतान की जाए और जहाँ संलग्नरकम एक लाख से ज्यादा हो तो 1000/- की फीस भुगतान की जाए।

The revision application shall be accompanied by a fee of Rs.200/- where the amount involved is Rupees One Lac or less and Rs.1,000/- where the amount involved is more than Rupees One Lac.

सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवा कर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण के प्रति अपीलः-Appeal to Custom, Excise, & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal.

- (1) केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क अधिनियम, 1944 की धारा 35-बी/35-इ के अंतर्गत:-Under Section 35B/ 35E of CEA, 1944 an appeal lies to :-
- (2) उक्तलिखित परिच्छेद में बताए अनुसार के अलावा की अपील, अपीलों के मामले में सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण (सिस्टेट) की पश्चिम क्षेत्रीय पीठिका, अहमदाबाद में 2<sup>nd</sup> माला, बहुमाली भवन, असरवा, गिरधरनागर, अहमदाबाद-380004।

To the west regional bench of Customs, Excise & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (CESTAT) at 2<sup>nd</sup>floor, Bahumali Bhawan, Asarwa, Girdhar Nagar, Ahmedabad: 380004. In case of appeals other than as mentioned above para.

The appeal to the Appellate Tribunal shall be filed in quadruplicate in form EA-3 as prescribed under Rule 6 of Central Excise(Appeal) Rules, 2001 and shall be accompanied against (one which at least should be accompanied by a fee of Rs.1,000/-, Rs.5,000/- and Rs.10,000/- where amount of duty / penalty / demand / refund is upto 5 Lac, 5 Lac to 50 Lac and above 50 Lac respectively in the form of crossed bank draft in favour of Asstt. Registar of a branch of any nominate public sector bank of the place where the bench of any nominate public sector bank of the place where the bench of the Tribunal is situated.

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(3) यदि इस आदेश में कई मूल आदेशों का समावेश होता है तो प्रत्येक मूल ओदश के लिए फीस का भुगतान उपर्युक्त ढंग से किया जाना चाहिए इस तथ्य के होते हुए भी कि लिखा पढी कार्य से बचने के लिए यथास्थिति अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण को एक अपील या केन्द्रीय सरकार को एक आवेदन किया जाता हैं।

In case of the order covers a number of order-in-Original, fee for each O.I.O. should be paid in the aforesaid manner notwithstanding the fact that the one appeal to the Appellant Tribunal or the one application to the Central Govt. As the case may be, is filled to avoid scriptoria work if excising Rs. 1 lacs fee of Rs.100/- for each.

(4) न्यायालय शुल्क अधिनियम 1970 यथा संषोधित की अनुसूची -1 के अंतर्गत निर्धारित किए अनुसार उक्त आवेदन या मूलआदेश यथास्थिति निर्णयन प्राधिकारी के आदेश में से प्रत्येक की एक प्रतिपर रू 6.50 पैसे का न्यायालय शुल्क टिकट लगा होना चाहिए।

One copy of application or O.I.O. as the case may be, and the order of the adjournment authority shall a court fee stamp of Rs.6.50 paise as prescribed under scheduled-I item of the court fee Act, 1975 as amended.

(5) इन ओर संबंधित मामलों को नियंत्रण करने वाले नियमों की ओर भी ध्यान आकर्षित किया जाता है जो सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण (कार्याविधि) नियम, 1982 में निहित है।

Attention in invited to the rules covering these and other related matter contended in the Customs, Excise & Service Tax Appellate Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1982.

(6) सीमा शुल्क, केन्द्रीय उत्पादन शुल्क एवं सेवाकर अपीलीय न्यायाधिकरण (सिस्टेट) एके प्रति अपीलो के मामले में कर्तव्यमांग (Demand) एवं दंड (Penalty) का 10% पूर्व जमा करना अनिवार्य है। हालांकि, अधिकतम पूर्व जमा 10 करोड़ रुपए है। (Section 35 F of the Central Excise Act, 1944, Section 83 & Section 86 of the Finance Act, 1994)

केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क और सेवाकर के अंतर्गत, शामिल होगा कर्तव्य की मांग (Duty Demanded)।

- (1) खंड (Section) 11D के तहत निर्धारित राशि;
- (2) लिया गलत सेनवैट क्रेडिट की राशिय;
- (3) सेनवैट क्रेडिट नियमों के नियम 6 के तहत देय राशि।

यह पूर्व जमा ' लंबित अपील' में पहले पूर्व जमा की तुलना मेंए अपील' दाखिल करने के लिए पूर्व शर्त बना दिया गया है।

For an appeal to be filed before the CESTAT, 10% of the Duty & Penalty confirmed by the Appellate Commissioner would have to be pre-deposited, provided that the pre-deposit amount shall not exceed Rs.10 Crores. It may be noted that the pre-deposit is a mandatory condition for filing appeal before CESTAT. (Section 35 C (2A) and 35 F of the Central Excise Act, 1944, Section 83 & Section 86 of the Finance Act, 1994).

Under Central Excise and Service Tax, "Duty demanded" shall include:

- (i) amount determined under Section 11 D;
- (ii) amount of erroneous Cenvat Credit taken;
- (iii) amount payable under Rule 6 of the Cenvat Credit Rules.

(6) (i) इस आदेश के प्रति अपील प्राधिकरण के समक्ष जहाँ शुल्क अथवा शुल्क या दण्ड विवादित हो तो माँग किए गए शुल्क के 10% भुगतान पर और जहाँ केवल दण्ड विवादित हो तब दण्ड के 10% भुगतान पर की जा सकती है।

In view of above, an appeal against this order shall lie before the Tribunal on payment of 10% of the duty demanded where duty or duty and penalty are in dispute, or penalty, where penalty alone is in dispute."

#### ORDER-IN-APPEAL

The present appeal has been filed by M/s. Yogeshkumar Parsottambhai Patel, H-18, Triveni Park, Nr. Rameshwar Park, Vastral, Ahmedabad-382418 (hereinafter referred to as "the appellant") against Order-in-Original No. 548/AC/Div.-I/HKB/2022-23 dated 28.03.2023 (hereinafter referred to as "the impugned order") passed by the Assistant Commissioner, Central GST, Division-I, Ahmedabad South (hereinafter referred to as "the adjudicating authority").

- Briefly stated, the facts of the case are that the appellant are 2. engaged in supply of goods with some portion of labour charges for providing service like installation, repairs etc. They were holding PAN Number BOBPP2979J. On scrutiny of the data received from the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT), it was noticed that the appellant had earned substantial income amounting to Rs. 10,15,670/- from service provided during F.Y. 2015-16, however they failed to obtain Service Tax Registration and also failed to pay service tax on such income. The appellant were called upon to submit copies of relevant documents for assessment for the said period, however, they neither submitted any required details/documents nor did offer any clarification/explanation regarding gross receipts from services rendered/income earned by them.
- 2.1. Subsequently, the appellant were issued Show Cause Notice No. V/15-104/Div-I/Yogeshkumar Parshottambhai Patel/2021-22 dated 24.12.2020 wherein it was proposed to:
- a) Demand and recover an amount of Rs. 13,99,885/- for F.Y. 2014-15 under proviso to Sub Section (1) of Section 73 of the Finance Act, 1994 along with interest under section 75 of the Finance Act 1994 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act').
- b) Impose penalty under the provisions of Section 77 (1) and 78

of the Act.

- 3. The SCN was adjudicated ex-parte vide the impugned order wherein:
- a) The demand of service tax amounting to Rs. 1,47,272/- was confirmed under proviso to Sub-Section (1) of Section 73 of the Act along with interest under Section 75 of the Act for the period from FY 2015-16.
- b) Penalty amounting to Rs. 1,47,272/- was imposed under section 78 of the Act.
- c) Penalty amounting to Rs. 10,000/- was imposed under section 77(1) of the Act for failure to obtain the Service Tax Registration as per the provisions of Section 69 of the Act.
- 4. Being aggrieved with the impugned order passed by the adjudicating authority, the appellant have preferred the present appeal, inter alia, on the following grounds:
- > The appellant is engaged in the business of selling of machinery related material including job-work as per the requirement of client.
- The appellant's income in F.Y. 2014-15 is below threshold limit.
- 5. Personal hearing in the case was held on 06.10.2023. Shri Nitesh Panchal, C.A., appeared on behalf of the appellant for personal hearing. He submitted copy of ITR for F.Y. 2016-17 & A.Y. 2015-16 (F.Y. 2014-15). The sale of service turnover is only 9,75,270/- which is below threshold. Hence the appellant is eligible for threshold exemption under Notification No. 33/2012-ST.
- 6. The appellant have submitted documents viz. copy of Income Tax Return, Profit & Loss Account for F.Y. 2015-16 & 2014-15.
- 7. I have carefully gone through the facts of the case, the impugned order passed by the adjudicating authority submissions

made in the Appeal Memorandum as well as those made during the course of personal hearing and documents available on record. The issue to be decided in the present appeal is whether the impugned order passed by the adjudicating authority, confirming the demand of service tax against the appellant along with interest and penalty, in the facts and circumstance of the case, is legal and proper or otherwise. The demand pertains to the period F.Y. 2015-16.

- 8. I find that the main contention of the appellant are that (i) they have paid the service tax, interest, and 15 % of the penalty imposed by DRC-03 on 14.05.2021, two years before the issuance of OIO dated 17.01.2023
- 9. Upon through review of the documents submitted by the appellant, i.e. Profit & Loss Account, and Income Tax Return for F.Y. 2014-15 and F.Y. 2015-16, it is evident that during the impugned period i.e. F.Y. 2015-16, the income of the appellant is Rs. 10,15,670/- and Rs. 9,75,270/- in F.Y. 2014-15 from service activities.
- 10. Considering the aforementioned details, it is concluded that the income of the appellant for the impugned period qualifies for the benefit of threshold limit of exemption as per the Notification No. 33/2012-ST dated 20.06.2012. Thus, they are liable to pay service tax only on the amount exceeding the exempted limit i.e. 10 lacs. Therefore, the appellant are liable to pay service tax only on the amount of Rs. 15,670/- in terms of Notification No. 33/2012-ST dated 20.06.2012 excluding the benefit of Rs. 10 lakhs as per the Notification, as their taxable service income in the preceding year was Rs. 9,75,270/-. For ease of reference, Notification No. 33/2012-ST dated 20th June, 2012 are reproduced, which read as under:

## Notification No. 33/2012 - Service Tax

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 93 of the Finance Act, 1994 (32 of 1994) (hereinafter referred to as the said Finance Act), and in supersession of the Government of the finance in the

Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) notification No. 6/2005-Service Tax, dated the 1st March, 2005, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide G.S.R. number 140(E), dated the 1st March, 2005, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government, being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby exempts taxable services of aggregate value not exceeding ten lakhs rupees in any financial year from the whole of the service tax leviable thereon under section 66B of the said Finance Act:

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(viii) the aggregate value of taxable services rendered by a provider of taxable service from one or more premises, does not exceed ten lakhs rupees in the preceding financial year.

On the taxable value of Rs. 15,670/-, the service tax liability comes to be Rs. 2,272/-.

- 11. In the light of the above discussion, the appeal is partly allowed. I pass the following order:
- (i) The demand for the F.Y. 2015-16 is upheld to the extent of service tax Rs. 2,272/- along with interest.
- (ii) The demand of penalty amounting to Rs. 2,272/- under Section 78 of the Act is upheld.
- (iii) The demand of late fees Rs. 10,000/- under the provision of Section 77(1) of the Finance Act, 1994 for failure to obtain the Service Tax Registration as per the provisions of Sction 69 of the Finance Act, 1994 is upheld.
- 12. अपीलकर्ता द्वारा दायर अपील का निपटान उपरोक्त तरीके से किया जाता है।

The appeal filed by the appellant stands disposed of in above terms.

ज्ञानचद जन आयुक्त (अपील्स)

Date: 13.02.2024

Attested

भिर्मिरेंद्र कुमार)
अधीक्षक (अपील्स)
सी.जी.एस.टी, अहमदाबाद



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