

**THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE OF STATE FINANCE MINISTERS
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To

- (1) Special Secretary (Revenue), Joint Secretary (Revenue) and Deputy Secretary (State Taxes), Government of India
- (2) Additional Director, Directorate General of Systems, Government of India
- (3) ADG, DG(GST), Commissioner (GST), Commissioner (CX) and Director (Service Tax), CBEC, Government of India
- (4) All the Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (Finance/Taxation) and Commissioners of Commercial Tax/Sales Tax/Trade Tax/VAT of all the States/UTs with Legislature
- (5) Chairman, GSTN and Chief Executive Officer, Goods and Services Tax Network

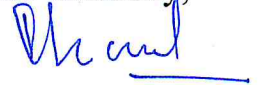
Sir,

As you are kindly aware that during the Empowered Committee meeting held on 7th and 8th May, 2015 in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala following decision was taken on the Report of the Joint Committee on Business Processes for Return:

- (a) The Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) may take the recommendations of the Joint Committee on Business Processes on Return as basis for formulating the RFP. However, as and when the Report is finalised suitable changes may have to be done.
- (b) All the representatives of the Centre, the States and GSTN may send their specific observations on this Report within a week's time to the Member Secretary, Empowered Committee. After which the Joint Committee on Business Processes will consider these suggestions in a time bound manner.
- (c) The Joint Committee on Business Process will take a view on the specific comments received. Specific issues, which cannot be sorted out by the Committee, may be put up to the Empowered Committee for a decision.

2. Keeping in view the directions of the Empowered Committee, the Report was re-considered by the Joint Committee on Business Processes on 7th and 8th July, 2015, 22nd and 23rd July, 2015 and 9th October, 2015 in Delhi. The Committee requested Shri Upender Gupta, Commissioner (GST), CBEC to prepare the final Report of the Committee incorporating its recommendations/observations in the Report. Accordingly, the Report of the Joint Committee on Business Processes on Return was prepared by him and is enclosed for perusal. The Report will be placed before the Empowered Committee in its next meeting for consideration.

Yours faithfully,



(Satish Chandra)
Member Secretary

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- (1) OSD to Chairman, Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers
- (2) PS to Chairman, Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers
- (3) Adviser/Sr.A.O./A.O., Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers