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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE) NOTIFICATION No.9/2016-Service Tax,

New Delhi, the 1st March, 2016

G.S.R....(E).-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 93 of the Finance Act, 1994 (32 of 1994), the Central Government being satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, hereby makes the following further amendments in the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) No.25/2012-Service Tax, dated the 20thJune, 2012, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i) *vide* number G.S.R. 467 (E), dated the 20thJune, 2012, namely:-

- 1. In the said notification,-
 - (a) in the first paragraph,-
 - (i) in entry 6, for clause (b) and clause (c), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely,-
 - "(b) a partnership firm of advocates or an individual as an advocate other than a senior advocate, by way of legal services to-
 - (i) an advocate or partnership firm of advocates providing legal services;
 - (ii) any person other than a business entity; or
 - (iii) a business entity with a turnover up to rupees ten lakh in the preceding financial year; or
 - (c) a senior advocate by way of legal services to a person other than a person ordinarily carrying out any activity relating to industry, commerce or any other business or profession;";
 - (ii) after entry 9A, the following entry shall be inserted with effect from 1st March, 2016, namely,-
 - "9B. Services provided by the Indian Institutes of Management, as per the guidelines of the Central Government, to their students, by way of the following educational programmes, except Executive Development Programme, -

- (a) two year full time residential Post Graduate Programmes in Management for the Post Graduate Diploma in Management, to which admissions are made on the basis of Common Admission Test (CAT), conducted by Indian Institute of Management;
- (b) fellow programme in Management;
- (c) five year integrated programme in Management.";
- (iii) after entry 9B as so inserted, the following entries shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "9C. services of assessing bodies empanelled centrally by Directorate General of Training, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship by way of assessments under Skill Development Initiative (SDI) Scheme;
 - 9D. services provided by training providers (Project implementation agencies) under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana under the Ministry of Rural Development by way of offering skill or vocational training courses certified by National Council For Vocational Training.";
- (iv) after entry 12, with effect from the 1st March, 2016, the following entry shall be inserted, namely-
 - "12A. Services provided to the Government, a local authority or a governmental authority by way of construction, erection, commissioning, installation, completion, fitting out, repair, maintenance, renovation, or alteration of -
 - (a) a civil structure or any other original works meant predominantly for use other than for commerce, industry, or any other business or profession;
 - (b) a structure meant predominantly for use as (i) an educational, (ii) a clinical, or(iii) an art or cultural establishment; or
 - (c) a residential complex predominantly meant for self-use or the use of their employees or other persons specified in the Explanation 1 to clause (44) of section 65 B of the said Act;

under a contract which had been entered into prior to the 1st March, 2015 and on which appropriate stamp duty, where applicable, had been paid prior to such date:

provided that nothing contained in this entry shall apply on or after the 1st April, 2020;";

- (v) in entry 13, after item (b), the following items shall be inserted with effect from 1st March, 2016, namely
 - "(ba) a civil structure or any other original works pertaining to the 'In-situ rehabilitation of existing slum dwellers using land as a resource through

- private participation'under the Housing for All (Urban) Mission/Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, only for existing slum dwellers.
- (bb) a civil structure or any other original works pertaining to the 'Beneficiary-led individual house construction / enhancement under the Housing for All (Urban) Mission/Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana;";
- (vi) in entry 14, with effect from 1st March, 2016,
 - A. for item (a), the following shall be substituted, namely:-
 - "(a) railways, excluding monorail and metro;

Explanation.-The services by way of construction, erection, commissioning or installation of original works pertaining to monorail or metro, where contracts were entered into before 1st March, 2016, on which appropriate stamp duty, was paid, shall remain exempt."

- B. after item (c), the following item shall be inserted, namely
 - "(ca) low cost houses up to a carpet area of 60 square metres per house in a housing project approved by the competent authority under:
 - (i) the "Affordable Housing in Partnership" component of the Housing for All (Urban) Mission/Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana;
 - (ii) any housing scheme of a State Government.".
- (vii) after entry 14, with effect from the 1st March, 2016, the following entry shall be inserted, namely-
 - "14A. Services by way of construction, erection, commissioning, or installation of original works pertaining to an airport or port provided under a contract which had been entered into prior to 1st March, 2015 and on which appropriate stamp duty, where applicable, had been paid prior to such date:

provided that Ministry of Civil Aviation or the Ministry of Shipping in the Government of India, as the case may be, certifies that the contract had been entered into before the 1st March, 2015:

provided further that nothing contained in this entry shall apply on or after the 1st April, 2020;";

(viii) in entry 16, for the words "one lakh rupees", the words "one lakh and fifty thousand rupees" shall be substituted;

- (ix) in entry 23,-
 - (A) after clause (b), the following clause shall be inserted with effect from 1st June 2016, namely,-
 - "(bb) stage carriage other than air-conditioned stage carriage;";
 - (B) clause (c) shall be omitted;
- (x) in entry 26, after clause (p), the following clause shall be inserted, namely,-
 - "(q) Niramaya' Health Insurance Scheme implemented by Trust constituted under the provisions of the National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999 (44 of 1999).";
- (xi) after entry 26B, the following entry shall be inserted, namely,-
 - "26C. Services of life insurance business provided by way of annuity under the National Pension System regulated by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority of India (PFRDA) under the Pension Fund Regulatory And Development Authority Act, 2013 (23 of 2013);";
- (xii) after entry 48, the following entries shall be inserted, namely,-
 - "49. Services provided by Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) to persons governed under the Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 (19 of 1952);
 - 50. Services provided by Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDA) to insurers under the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India Act, 1999 (41 of 1999);
 - 51. Services provided by Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) set up under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992 (15 of 1992) by way of protecting the interests of investors in securities and to promote the development of, and to regulate, the securities market;
 - 52. Services provided by National Centre for Cold Chain Development under Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmer's Welfare by way of cold chain knowledge dissemination;";
- (xiii) after entry 52 as so inserted, the following entries shall be inserted with effect from 1st June 2016, namely:-

- "53. Services by way of transportation of goods by an aircraft from a place outside India upto the customs station of clearance in India.";
- (b) in paragraph 2, -
 - (i) after clause (b), the following clause shall be inserted with effect from such date on which the Finance Bill, 2016 receives assent of the President of India, namely: -
 - '(ba) "approved vocational education course" means, -
 - (i) a course run by an industrial training institute or an industrial training centre affiliated to the National Council for Vocational Training of State Council for Vocational Training offering courses in designated trades notified under the Apprentices Act, 1961 (52 of 1961); or
 - (ii) a Modular Employable Skill Course, approved by the National Council of Vocational Training, run by a person registered with the Directorate General of Training, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship;';
 - (ii) for clause (oa), the following shall be substituted with effect from such date on which the Finance Bill, 2016, receives assent of the President of India, namely:
 - '(oa) "educational institution" means an institution providing services by way of:
 - (i) pre-school education and education up to higher secondary school or equivalent;
 - (ii) education as a part of a curriculum for obtaining a qualification recognised by any law for the time being in force;
 - (iii) education as a part of an approved vocational education course;";
 - (iii) after clause (zd), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:-
 - '(zdd) "senior advocate' has the meaning assigned to it in section 16 of the Advocates Act, 1961 (25 of 1961);'
- 2. Save as otherwise provided in this notification, this notification shall come into force on the 1st of April, 2016.

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Note:-The principal notification was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, *vide* notification No. 25/2012 - Service Tax, dated the 20th June, 2012, *vide* number G.S.R. 467 (E), dated the 20th June, 2012 and last amended *vide* notification number 07/2016 - Service Tax, dated the 18th February, 2016 *vide* number G.S.R. 184(E), dated the 18th February, 2016.