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**“Play by the rules, but  
be ferocious.”**

*– Phil Knight*

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### Relaxation provided by Ministry of Corporate Affairs

S. No	Particulars	Due date	Extended time Period	Link
<b>1</b>	<b>PERIOD/DAYS OF EXTENSION FOR NAMES RESERVED AND RESUBMISSION OF FORMS</b>			<a href="http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Extension_22042020.pdf">http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Extension_22042020.pdf</a>
<b>A</b>	Names reserved for 20 days for new company incorporation. SPICe+ Part B needs to be filed within 20 days of name reservation.	Name expiring any day between 15th March 2020 to 3rd May	20 days beyond 3rd May 2020. (i.e. 23rd May 2020)	
<b>B</b>	Names reserved for 60 days for change of name of company. INC-24 needs to be filed within 60 days of name reservation.	Name expiring any day between 15th March 2020 to 3rd May	20 days beyond 3rd May (i.e. 23rd May 2020)	
<b>C</b>	Extension of RSUB validity for companies.	Where last date of Resubmission (RSUB) falls between 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020	additional 15 days beyond 3rd May 2020 (i.e.18th May 2020)	
<b>D</b>	Names reserved for 90 days for new LLP incorporation/change of name.	Names expiring any day between 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	20 days beyond 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020. (i.e. 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020)	
<b>E</b>	RSUB validity extension for LLPs.	Where resubmission (RSUB) falls between 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020	additional 15 days beyond 3rd May 2020 (i.e.18th May 2020)	

## Relaxation provided by Ministry of Corporate Affairs

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<b>2</b>	<b>Relaxation on holding of Annual General Meetings by Companies whose financial year has ended on 31st December, 2019.</b>		<a href="http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular18_21042020.pdf">http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular18_21042020.pdf</a>
<b>A</b>	Companies due date of holding of Annual General Meeting for companies whose financial year (other than first financial year) has ended on 31st December,2019	<b>30th September</b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Filing under section 124 and 125 of companies Act 2013 r/w IEPFA (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules 2016,</b>		<a href="http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular16_13042020.pdf">http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular16_13042020.pdf</a>
<b>A</b>	File e-form under section 124 and 125 without any Additional Fees till 30th September 2020. That is (IEPF1, IEPF-1A, IEPF-2, IEPF-3, IEPF-4, IEPF-7) and everification of claims filed in e-form IEPF-5	<b>30th September</b>	

### ABOUT MCA

The Ministry is primarily concerned with administration of the Companies Act 2013, the Companies Act 1956, the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008 & other allied Acts and rules & regulations framed there-under mainly for regulating the functioning of the corporate sector in accordance with law.

The Ministry is also responsible for administering the Competition Act, 2002 to prevent practices having adverse effect on competition, to promote and sustain competition in markets, to protect the interests of consumers through the commission set up under the Act.

Besides, it exercises supervision over the three professional bodies, namely, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India(ICAI), Institute of Company Secretaries of India(ICSI) and the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICAI) which are constituted under three separate Acts of the Parliament for proper and orderly growth of the professions concerned.

The Ministry also has the responsibility of carrying out the functions of the Central Government relating to administration of Partnership Act, 1932, the Companies (Donations to National Funds) Act, 1951 and Societies Registration Act, 1980.

### NOTICES & CIRCULARS

For More Notices & Circulars please visit MCA website using given link.

<http://www.mca.gov.in/MinistryV2/noticesandcirculars.html>

## MCA IMPORTANT UPDATES/CLARIFICATIONS:

- **Clarification on passing of ordinary Resolution and special resolutions by companies under the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder on account of the threat posed by COVID-19.**
  - **Editor's Quick Take:** MCA vide its circular dated 8th April, 2020 allowed Companies till June 30, 2020 to hold Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) through Video Conferencing or Other Audio-Visual Mode. The circular also prescribes procedure to be adopted for conducting such EGMs.
- **The Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014**
  - **Editor's Quick Take:** MCA Vide its notification dated 29th April 2020 notified the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) second Amendment Rules, 2020. As per the rule 6, in sub-rule (1), in clause (a) of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Rules, 2014 Compliances required by a person eligible and willing to be appointed as an independent director. (1) Every individual – (a) who has been appointed as an independent director in a company, on the date of commencement of the Companies (Appointment and Qualification of Directors) Fifth Amendment Rules, 2019, shall within a period of five months\* from such commencement; \* By above Amendment, the words "five months" substituted by "Seven Months". In other words, last date for registration of an individual in the data bank prescribed by MCA has been extended till June 30, 2020.
- **COVID-19 related Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)**
  - **Editor's Quick Take:** MCA vide its General Circular dated 10th April, 2020 has provided FAQs on Corporate Social Responsibility along with clarifications w.r.t eligibility of CSR expenditure related to COVID-19 activities.
- **Clarification on passing of ordinary Resolution and special resolutions by companies under the Companies Act, 2013 and rules made thereunder on account of the threat posed by COVID-19**
  - **Editor's Quick Take:** MCA vide its circular dated 13th April 2020 has issued a further clarification in continuation to circular issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs dated 8th April, 2020 allowing Companies to hold Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) through Video Conferencing (VC) other audio-visual means (OAVM) for providing clarification to stakeholders the on following points: 1. Manner and mode of issue of notice to members before convening the general meeting 2. Requirement for voting by show of hands 3. Passing of certain in items only through postal ballot without convening a general meeting 4. Sending of emails by members, where a poll on any item is required for companies covered under para 3-B of Circular No 14/2020 dated 8th April, 2020.

# Goods and Services Tax

GST is an Indirect Tax which has replaced many Indirect Taxes in India. The Goods and Service Tax Act was passed in the Parliament on 29th March 2017. The Act came into effect on 1st July 2017; Goods & Services Tax Law in India is a comprehensive, multi-stage, destination-based tax that is levied on every value addition.

In simple words, Goods and Service Tax (GST) is an indirect tax levied on the supply of goods and services. This law has replaced many indirect tax laws that previously existed in India.

GST is one indirect tax for the entire country.

## GST UPDATES/NOTIFICATIONS

Due to confusion created by series of notifications this month we present before you the GST calendar till June, 2020 so that you can easily plan for future filings:

GSTR-1 for the Quarter/Months of March to May, 2020			
Turnover	Return for the m/o	Original Due Date	Revised New Prescribed Due Date*
Upto INR. 1.5 Cr.	January-March, 2020	April 30, 2020	June 30, 2020
More than INR. 1.5 Cr.	March 2020	April 11, 2020	June 30, 2020
	April 2020	May 11, 2020	June 30, 2020
	May 2020	June 11, 2020	June 30, 2020

\*The due dates have not been extended; however, relaxation has been provided from levy of interest (wherever applicable) and late fee for the given period.

**GSTR-3B for the Months of February to May, 2020**

<b>Turnover</b>	<b>Return for the m/o</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised New Prescribed Due Date*</b>	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Late fees</b>
<b>upto 1.5 cr.</b>	February 2020	March 22, 2020	June 30, 2020	Nil	Nil
		March 24, 2020			
	March 2020	April 22, 2020	July 03, 2020	Nil	Nil
		April 24, 2020			
	April 2020	May 22, 2020	July 06, 2020	Nil	Nil
		May 24, 2020			
<b>More than 1.5 cr. upto 5 cr.</b>	February 2020	March 22, 2020	June 29, 2020	Nil	Nil
		March 24, 2020			
	March 2020	April 22, 2020	June 29, 2020	Nil	Nil
		April 24, 2020			
	April 2020	May 22, 2020	June 30, 2020	Nil	Nil
		May 24, 2020			

<b>More than 5 cr.</b>	<b>February 2020</b>	<b>March 20, 2020</b>	<b>June 24, 2020</b>	<b>Nil upto 4<sup>th</sup> April, 9% thereafter</b>	<b>Nil</b>
	March 2020	April 20, 2020	June 24, 2020	Nil upto 5 <sup>th</sup> May, 9% thereafter	Nil
	April 2020	May 20, 2020	June 24, 2020	Nil upto 4 <sup>th</sup> June, 9% thereafter	Nil
<b>Upto INR. 5 Cr.</b>	May 2020	June 22, 2020	July 12, 2020	Nil	Nil
		June 24, 2020	July 14, 2020	Nil	Nil
<b>More than INR. 5 Cr.</b>	May 2020	June 20, 2020	June 27, 2020	Nil	Nil

\*The due dates have not been extended; however, relaxation has been provided from levy of interest (wherever applicable) and late fee for the given period.

<b>GSTR-5 &amp; 5A for the months of February to May, 2020</b>		
<b>Return for the m/o</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised Due Date</b>
<b>February 2020</b>	March 20, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>March 2020</b>	April 20, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>April 2020</b>	May 20, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>May 2020</b>	June 20, 2020	June 30, 2020

<b>GSTR-6 for the months of March to May, 2020</b>		
<b>Return for the m/o</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised Due Date</b>
<b>March 2020</b>	April 13, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>April 2020</b>	May 13, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>May 2020</b>	June 13, 2020	June 30, 2020



**GSTR-7 for the Months of March to May, 2020**

<b>Return for the m/o</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised Due Date</b>
<b>March 2020</b>	April 10, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>April 2020</b>	May 10, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>May 2020</b>	June 10, 2020	June 30, 2020

**GSTR-8 for the Months of March to May, 2020**

<b>Return for the m/o</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised Due Date</b>
<b>March 2020</b>	April 10, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>April 2020</b>	May 10, 2020	June 30, 2020
<b>May 2020</b>	June 10, 2020	June 30, 2020

**Return and payment for Composition Dealer**

<b>Form</b>	<b>Return for the period</b>	<b>Original Due Date</b>	<b>Revised New Prescribed Due Date</b>
<b>GSTR-4 (Yearly Return)</b>	April, 2019 to March, 2020	April 30, 2020	July 15, 2020
<b>CMP-08 (Quarterly payment)</b>	January to March, 2020	April 18, 2020	July 07, 2020

## GST NOTIFICATION/ CIRCULAR

Sr. No.	Notification/ Circular No.	Particulars	Remarks
1	37/2020- Central Tax Dt. 28-04-2020	Seeks to give effect to the provisions of rule 87 (13) and FORM GST PMT-09 of the CGST Rules, 2017.	The provisions of the said rules shall come into force from 21 <sup>st</sup> April,2020.
2	36/2020- Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to extend due date for furnishing FORM GSTR-3B for supply made in the month of May, 2020.	1) Registered person having turnover of INR 5 crores and above for the previous financial year : 27th June,2020 2(A)Registered person in Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Daman and Diu, Dadar and Nagar Haveli, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Goa, Lakshadweep, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh having turnover below INR 5 crores for the previous financial year: 12th July,2020 2(B): Registered person in any other state having turnover below INR 5 crores for the previous financial year: 14th July,2020
3	35/2020- Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to extend due date of compliance which falls during the period from "20.03.2020 to 29.06.2020" till 30.06.2020 and to extend validity of e-way bills	Due to spread of pandemic COVID-19 across India, the Government of India (i) extends all the time limits to 30th June,2020 which falls during the period from 20th day of March,2020 to the 29th day of June,2020 for the purpose of: (a) completion of any proceeding or passing of any order or issuance of any notice, intimation, notification, sanction or approval or such other action, by whatever name called, by any authority, commission or tribunal, by whatever name called, under the provisions of the Acts stated above; or (b) filing of any appeal, reply or application or furnishing of any report, document, return, statement or such other record, by whatever name called, under the provisions of the Acts stated above. except for the compliances of the provisions of the said act, as mentioned below: (a) Chapter IV (time and value of supply); (b) sub-section (3) of section 10, sections 25, 27, 31, 37, 47, 50, 69, 90, 122, 129; (c) section 39, except sub-section (3), (4) and (5); (d) section 68, in so far as e-way bill is concerned; and (e) rules made under the provisions specified at clause (a) to (d) above;

			(ii) where an e-way bill has been generated under rule 138 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 and its period of validity expires during the period 20th day of March, 2020 to 15th day of April, 2020, the validity period of such e-way bill shall be deemed to have been extended till the 30th day of April, 2020 <b>This notification shall come into force with effect from the 20th day of March, 2020</b>
4	34/2020-Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to extend due date of furnishing FORM GST CMP-08 for the quarter ending March, 2020 till 07.07.2020 and filing FORM GSTR-4 for FY 2020-21 till 15.07.2020.	(i) The said registered persons shall furnish a statement, containing the details of payment of self-assessed tax in FORM GST CMP-08 of the CGST Rules, 2017, for the quarter ending 31st March, 2020, till the 7th day of July, 2020.”; (ii) The said registered persons shall furnish the return in FORM GSTR-4 of the CGST Rules, 2017, for the financial year ending 31st March, 2020, till the 15th day of July, 2020.”
5	33/2020-Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to provide relief by conditional waiver of late fee for delay in furnishing outward statement in FORM GSTR-1 for tax periods of February, 2020 to April, 2020.	The amount of late fee payable under section 47 of the said Act shall stand waived for the months of March, 2020, April, 2020 and May, 2020, and for the quarter ending 31st March, 2020, for the registered persons who fail to furnish the details of outward supplies for the said periods in FORM GSTR-1 by the due date, but furnishes the said details in FORM GSTR-1, on or before the 30th day of June, 2020.”
6	32/2020-Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to provide relief by conditional waiver of late fee for delay in furnishing returns in FORM GSTR-3B for tax periods of February, 2020 to April, 2020.	1)Taxpayers having an aggregate turnover of more than rupees 5 crores in the preceding financial year for the tax period of February, March and April,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 24th day of June,2020 2)Taxpayers having an aggregate turnover of more than rupees 1.5 crores and upto rupees 5 crores in the preceding financial year for the tax period of February and March,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 29th day of June,2020 and for the tax period of April,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 30th day of June,2020 3)Taxpayers having an aggregate turnover of upto rupees 1.5 crores in the preceding financial year for the tax period of February,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 30th day of June,2020, for the tax period of March,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 3rd day of July,2020 and for the tax period of April,2020 if the FORM GSTR3B is furnished on or before the 6th day of July,2020. <b>* This notification shall come into force with effect from the 20th day of March, 2020.</b> <b>Disclaimer : If a taxpayer who fails to furnish Form-GSTR 3B in the above time limits, than the taxpayers will not be able to avail the benefit of waiver of late fees.</b>

7	31/2020- Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to provide relief by conditional lowering of interest rate for tax periods of February, 2020 to April, 2020.	<p>Due date of above notification shall be considered for this notification</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Taxpayers having an aggregate turnover of more than rupees 5 crores in the preceding financial year for the tax period of February, March and April, 2020 if the delay is of 15 days than no interest shall be charged, but if delay is more than 15 days, than interest shall be charged of 9 percent.</li> <li>2) No interest rate shall be charged for other taxpayers. This notification shall come into force with effect from the 20th day of March, 2020.</li> </ol> <p><b>Disclaimer : If a taxpayer who fails to furnish Form-GSTR 3B in the above time limits, than the taxpayers will not be able to avail the benefit of waiver of interest rate i.e. normal interest rate of 18 percent will be applicable and calculated from the original due date.</b></p>
8	30/2020- Central Tax Dt. 03-04-2020	Seeks to amend CGST Rules (Fourth Amendment) in order to allow opting Composition Scheme for FY 2020-21 till 30.06.2020 and to allow cumulative application of condition in rule 36(4).	<p>These rules may be called the Central Goods and Services Tax (Fourth Amendment) rules, 2020. In the CGST Rules, 2017 with effect from the 31st March, 2020, in sub-rule (3) of rule 3, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely: -</p> <p>“Provided that any registered person who opts to pay tax under section 10 for the financial year 2020-21 shall electronically file an intimation in FORM GST CMP-02, duly signed or verified through electronic verification code, on the common portal, on or before 30th day of June, 2020 and shall furnish the statement in FORM GST ITC-03 upto the 31st day of July, 2020.</p> <p>3. In the said rules, in sub-rule (4) of rule 36, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely: -</p> <p>“Provided that the said condition shall apply cumulatively for the period February, March, April, May, June, July and August, 2020 and the return in FORM GSTR-3B for the tax period September, 2020 shall be furnished with the cumulative adjustment of input tax credit for the said months in accordance with the condition above.</p>
9	Circular No. 136/06/2020 Dt. 03-04-2020	Clarification in respect of various measures announced by the Government for providing relief to the taxpayers in view of spread of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) – Reg	<p>The spread of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) across many countries of the world, including India, has caused immense loss to the lives of people and resultantly impacted the trade and industry. In view of the emergent situation and challenges faced by taxpayers in meeting the compliance requirements under various provisions of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the “CGST Act”), Government has announced various relief measures relating to statutory and regulatory compliance matters across sectors.</p> <p><b>Government has issued above notifications in order to provide relief to the taxpayers</b></p>



## INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT

A government agency that undertakes the direct collection of tax in India is the [Income Tax Department](#). All operations of the department are handled by the Central Board for Direct Taxes (CBDT). Individuals can get various details such as international taxation, tax laws and rules, organizational setup, etc., on the official website of the department.

## INCOME TAX

Income tax is defined as the tax charged on the annual income earned by a person. The amount of tax applicable to you will depend on how much money you earn as income over the course of a financial year. Taxpayers can make their income tax payment, TDS/TCS payment, and Non-TDS/TCS payments online as well. All relevant details must be filled by taxpayers in order to make these payments. The process to make the payments online is simple and can be completed quickly.

**According to the current income tax laws in India, the income tax rate on resident individuals varies based on their age. There are different tax slabs applicable to the individuals for the financial year 2018-19 and 2019-20. For instance, a resident individual, aged below 60 years, with an income less than Rs 2.5 lacs is exempt from paying income tax.**

## LATEST UPDATE

\* Income Tax Return Deadline Extended due to Coronavirus Pandemic

The Finance Minister of India, Nirmala Sitharaman, recently announced the deadline extension of filing income tax returns for the financial year 2018-2019. As per the current norms, those who couldn't file their tax returns in the previous year, can now do so before 30 June 2020. Earlier, the deadline for the same was 31 March 2020. The decision was taken after the country went down into a complete lockdown mode to control the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

The interest rate for delayed tax payment has also been reduced to 9% from 12%. The deadline for filing GST returns for March, April and May 2020 has also been extended to June 30th. Here are some of the changes implemented by the government:

- ❖ ITR deadline for FY2018-2019 extended till 30 June 2020
- ❖ Interest rate for delayed payments revised from 12% to 9%
- ❖ for any compliance and documentation by taxpayers extended till 30 June 2020

## INCOME TAX SLABS

### OLD SCHEME APPLICABLE FOR FY 2019-20, FY 2020-21(OPTIONAL)

Income Tax Slab	Tax Rate
Up to Rs.2.5 lakh	Nil
From Rs.2,50,001 to Rs.5,00,000	5% of the total income that is more than Rs.2.5 lakh + 4% cess
From Rs.5,00,001 to Rs.10,00,000	12500+ 20% of the total income that is more than Rs.5 lakh + 4% cess
Above Rs.10,00,000	112500+ 30% of the total income that is more than Rs.10 lakh + 4% cess

### NEW SCHEME APPLICABLE FOR FY 2020-21(OPTIONAL)

Income Tax Slab	Tax Rate
Up to Rs.2.5 lakh	Nil
From Rs.2,50,001 to Rs.5,00,000	5% of the total income that is more than Rs.2.5 lakh + 4% cess
From Rs.5,00,001 to Rs.7,50,000	10% of the total income that is more than Rs.5 lakh + 4% cess
From Rs.7,50,001 to Rs.10,00,000	15% of the total income that is more than Rs.7.5 lakh + 4% cess
From Rs.10,00,001 to Rs.12,50,000	20% of the total income that is more than Rs.10 lakh + 4% cess
From Rs.12,50,001 to Rs.15,00,000	25% of the total income that is more than Rs.12.5 lakh + 4% cess
Income above Rs.15,00,001	30% of the total income that is more than Rs.15 lakh + 4% cess

\* A tax rebate under section 87A is allowed **(in Old Scheme Only)** to individual taxpayers a maximum amount of:

- ❖ Rs 2,500 for total income up to Rs 3.5 lakh for FY 2018-19
- ❖ Rs 12,500 for total income up to Rs 5 lakh for FY 2019-20

## POINTS TO REMEMBER WHILE OPTING FOR THE NEW TAX REGIME:

- No tax for individuals with income less than ₹ 2,50,000
- The tax calculated on the basis of such rates will be subject to health and education cess of 4%.
- Any individual opting to be taxed under the new tax regime from FY 2020-21 onwards will have to give up certain exemptions and deductions.
- Here is the list of exemptions and deductions that a taxpayer will have to give up while choosing the new tax regime.
  - Leave Travel Allowance ([LTA](#))
  - House Rent Allowance ([HRA](#))
  - Conveyance
  - Daily expenses in the course of employment
  - Relocation allowance
  - Helper allowance
  - Children education allowance
  - Other special allowances [Section 10(14)]
  - Standard deduction
  - Professional tax
  - Interest on housing loan (Section 24)
  - Chapter VI-A deduction (80C,80D, 80E and so on) (Except Section 80CCD(2) and 80JJA)
- Option to be exercised on or before the due date of filing return of income for AY 2021-22
- In case a taxpayer has a business income and exercised the option, he/she can withdraw from the option only once. A business taxpayer withdrawing from the optional tax regime has to follow the regular income tax slabs.

## INCOME TAX SAVING INVESTMENTS

Declaring investments - From HRA, Life Insurance Premiums, National Savings Certificate, Leave Travel Allowance to Fixed Deposit (minimum of 5 years), ELSS Tax Saving Mutual Funds, and more, by ensuring that you have declared all your investments, you can achieve more deductions on tax. The following options can be considering for saving on income tax:

**THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO PROVIDED RELIEF FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE YET TO COMPLETE THEIR TAX SAVINGS. ACCORDING TO PIB RELEASE, INDIVIDUALS TAXPAYERS CAN COMPLETE INVESTMENTS IN TAX-SAVING INSTRUMENTS BY JUNE 30, 2020 FROM THE PRESENT DEADLINE OF MARCH 31, 2020.**

### Investment options

- ❖ Mutual funds such as Equity Linked Savings Schemes (ELSS) can be claimed for tax deduction under Section 80C. Compare to fixed deposits and PPF's, the ELSS offers shorter lock-in period and more benefits when it comes to making money.
- ❖ Unit Linked Insurance Plans (ULIP) are insurance schemes that are linked to the market. The investment made under ULIP qualifies for tax deductions.
- ❖ Insurance
  - Life insurance and health insurance - The money paid towards life insurance and health insurance policies are considering for tax deductions under Section 80C
- ❖ Loans
  - When we take a loan for buying a house or for renovation purpose, we are eligible for tax deductions up to Rs.1.5 lakh for a financial year.

### You can also consider the following options for reducing tax amount on your income:

- ❖ Fixed Deposits (FD) - An FD with a lock-in period of five years can help you save on tax while earning the interest on the deposited amount.
- ❖ National Saving Certificate (NSC) - The NSC offers a safe and reliable method of investing money. You can deposit as low as Rs.100 for a 5-10 year lock-in period. The investments made under NSC are eligible for tax deductions.
- ❖ Provident Fund (PF) - You can also choose to invest more amount towards your PF account that will help you reduce your taxable amount.



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