



# **Supplement of Recent Notifications by the Central Government, State Governments and Tax Authorities to Mitigate the Impact of Pandemic COVID-19**

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## PHD Chamber's Viewpoint



**Dr D K Aggarwal**  
President

The proactive and combative measures undertaken by the Government to curtail the spread of pandemic COVID-19 are highly appreciable. PHD Chamber stands in complete solidarity with the government and have been extending its full-fledged support to the government and its countrymen. The Government's decision to exit the Nationwide lockdown in a graded manner by giving equal importance to lives and livelihood of Indian citizens, and allowing selected economic activities in all zones, Red (hotspots), orange and green, based on the intensity of the spread of COVID -19 is highly inspiring. Going ahead, we urge the government to provide an increased stimulus relief package of Rs 16 lakh crore which is around 7% of GDP sooner than later to mitigate the impact of Pandemic COVID-19 on economy, trade and Industry through various relief measures and benefits.



**Shri Sanjay Aggarwal**  
Senior Vice President

Government's proactive and fast track measures to safeguard its people, economy, trade and industry against the wild tide of pandemic COVID-19 are appreciable. The Government's decision to restart economic activities during the lock down 3.0 in a staggered manner will go a long way in helping the daily wagers, poor and the needy and also boost the morale of trade and industry. Going ahead, it is suggested to defer the EMIs of the term-loans for 6 months, special interest subvention @ 3% in loans to MSMEs and other badly affected industries; to abolish all fixed charges of all the utilities and defer all utilities' bills by 3 months are crucial at this juncture. We are assertive that the continuous implementation of proactive reforms by the Government will help India to emerge victoriously in the fight against pandemic COVID- 19.



**Shri Pradeep Multani**  
Vice President

The reforms undertaken by the Government to contain the spread of pandemic COVID-19 in India are highly encouraging. The opening up of economic and business activity in least impacted areas would help many daily wagers to return back on work and help the businesses to resume activities with lot of precautions and safety measures advised by the government. Some of the long terms measures that must be undertaken include reducing income tax of the proprietorship and LLPs firms to the level of 25% for old and 15% for new companies; release of outstanding payments of MSMEs, from the Government and PSUs; rationalisation of GST rate structure by merging 18% tax slab with 12% tax slab, among others are necessary to enhance the competitiveness of businesses.



**Shri Saurabh Sanyal**  
Secretary General

The proactive and fast track measures undertaken by the Government to combat the impact of pandemic COVID-19 on trade and industry are highly appreciable. At this juncture, increase in government consumption expenditure and capacity building by the business firms would be crucial to rejuvenate the economy to its potential growth trajectory of 7-8% in the next few years. Reducing the customs duties on basic raw materials by at least 5 percentage points and further reduction of 100 basis points repo rate cut are necessary to enhance the competitiveness of manufacturers.



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## Executive Summary

The pandemic COVID-19 has been spreading rapidly around the world. The whole mankind is in huge problem and uncertainty about the severity and spread of pandemic Covid-19. Many countries are struggling to contain the spread of the pandemic COVID-19 while implementing various proactive measures to revive economic activities. Therefore, Governments around the world are undertaking decisive steps to limit the human and economic impact of pandemic COVID-19.

The Government of India has been undertaking proactive and fast track measures to combat the impact of pandemic COVID-19 on economy, trade and industry. We appreciate the recent reform measures by the Government in terms of fiscal support of Rs. 1.70 lakh crore, Rs. 15,000 crores towards the build-up of health infrastructure, issuance of Rs 18,000 crore pending refunds of income-tax, GST & customs by the IT Department, among others.

We welcome the extension of the lockdown in the country for a further period of 2 weeks with effect from May 4, 2020. The decision has been taken after a comprehensive review and in view of the Lockdown measures having led to significant gains in mitigating the impact of COVID-19 situation in the country. Further, the move to exit the Nationwide lockdown in a graded manner by giving equal importance to lives and livelihood of Indian citizens, and allowing selected economic activities in all zones, Red (hotspots), orange and green, based on the intensity of the spread of COVID -19 is highly inspiring.

The lock down 3.0 will restart economic activities in a staggered, yet planned, way by granting permission for activities even in the Red Zones (hotspot), like construction activities limited to in-situ construction (where workers are available on site), private offices can operate with upto 33% of strength, food processing units, all agriculture activities, all plantation activities, among others, will go a long way in uplifting the sentiments of the stricken Indian Industry, helping the daily wagers, poor and the needy earn their livelihood and also revive India's economic growth trajectory. Further, the Government's decision to bring back to bring back Indian Nationals stranded abroad in this extremely difficult time and ensuring the necessary arrangements for their testing and quarantine in India is highly applaudable.

While worrying about the severity of pandemic COVID-19, Governments and tax authorities provided various tax relief measures in response to the pandemic COVID-19. The relief measures and easing of compliance deadlines will enable businesses to sustain themselves in the current atmosphere and is likely to have a positive impact on economic activities and more importantly remove uncertainty in the system.

The CBDT vide Circular No. 09/2020 dated April 22, 2020, has clarified the provisions of Direct Tax Vivad Se Vishwas Act, 2020. The 'Vivad se Vishwas' Scheme was announced to provide for dispute resolution in respect of pending income tax litigation. Pursuant to Budget



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announcement, the Direct Tax Vivad se Vishwas Bill, 2020 (the Bill) was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 5th Feb 2020. Subsequently, based on the representations received from the stakeholders regarding its various provisions, official amendments to the Bill were proposed. These amendments sought to widen the scope of the bill and reduce the compliance burden on taxpayers.

The CBIC has further extends the validity of E-Way Bill till May 31, 2020, for those E-Way bills which has been generated under rule 138 of the CGST Rules, 2017 on or before March 24, 2020, and its period of validity expire's during the period March 20, 2020 to April 15, 2020 and extends the time limit for furnishing of the Annual Return i.e. Form GSTR-9, specified under section 44 of the CGST Act, 2017 read with rule 80 of the CGST Rules, 2017, electronically through the common portal, for the Financial Year 2018-2019 till September 30, 2020.

The State Governments have been providing various relief measures to mitigate the impact of covid-19. Various states have issued new guidelines regarding inter-state travel, movement of stranded migrant labours, tourists, students and other international visitors, expanding the number of beds in hospitals, among others. Each state has been successfully undertaking taking proactive measures by charting a concrete roadmap to simultaneously move ahead in containment of coronavirus and rejuvenate the growth of respective state economy.

PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry stands in complete solidarity with the Government and pledges to extend its wholehearted support, in whatever means required and possible, to help the Nation stand against the wild tide of pandemic COVID-19, overcome its adverse impact and come out victorious by defeating the deadly virus.

Going ahead, it is suggested that the government should provide an increased stimulus relief package of Rs 16 lakh crore which is around 7% of GDP sooner than later to mitigate the impact of Pandemic COVID-19 on economy, trade and Industry through various relief measures and benefits. We are assertive that the continuous implementation of proactive reforms by the Government will help India to emerge victoriously in the fight against pandemic COVID- 19.



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## **1. Relief Measures provided by the Central Government to mitigate the impact of Pandemic COVID-19**

- Government of India has decided to facilitate the return of Indian nationals stranded abroad and Indians, who want to travel abroad on compelling grounds in a phased manner. The travel would be arranged by aircraft and naval ships. The Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) has been prepared in this regard. The travel would begin in a phased manner from May 7, 2020.
- MHA issued new guidelines to regulate different activities in extended lockdown period (4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020), based on the risk profiling of the districts of the country into Red (hotspot), Green and Orange Zones. The guidelines have permitted considerable relaxations in the districts falling in the Green and Orange Zones.
- MHA notified that private offices can operate with upto 33% strength as per requirement, with the remaining persons working from home. All Government offices shall function with senior officers of the level of Deputy Secretary and above at full strength, and the remaining staff attending upto 33% as per requirement.
- MHA allowed all industrial and construction activities in rural areas, including MNREGA works, food-processing units and brick-kilns are permitted; animal husbandry activities, including inland and marine fisheries; plantation activities; all health services; a large part of the financial sector; among others.
  - Most of the commercial and private establishments have been allowed in the Red Zones. These include print and electronic media, IT and IT enabled services, data and call centres, cold storage and warehousing services, private security and facility management services, and services provided by self-employed persons, manufacturing units of essential goods, among others.
  - In the Orange Zones, in addition to activities permitted in Red Zone, taxis and cab aggregators will be permitted with 1 driver and 2 passengers only. Inter-district movement of individuals and vehicles will be allowed for permitted activities only. Four wheeler vehicles will have maximum two passengers besides the driver and pillion riding will be allowed on two-wheelers.
  - In the Green Zones, all activities are permitted except the limited number of activities which are prohibited throughout the country, irrespective of the Zone. However buses can operate with upto 50% seating capacity and bus depots can operate with upto 50% capacity.
- MHA has notified that all goods traffic is to be permitted and no State/ UT shall stop the movement of cargo for cross land-border trade under Treaties with neighbouring countries. No separate pass of any sort is needed for such movement, which is essential



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for maintaining the supply chain of goods and services across the country during the lockdown period.

- Special Trains to be operated for Movement of Stranded Persons across the Country, due to Lockdown Restrictions to fight COVID-19
- On 29<sup>th</sup> April 2020, the Centre permitted the movement of persons including migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons are stranded at different places in the country. The Government allowed them to move between one State/ UT to another State/ UT, after the concerned states consult each other and mutually agree to.
- Giving relaxation in the category of Commercial and private establishments, MHA has issued an order to all States/UTs, to allow opening of all shops registered under Shops & Establishment Act of respective States/ UTs, including shops in residential complexes, neighborhood & standalone shops.
- Government has exempted additional agricultural and forestry items, shops of educational books for students and shops of electric fans from lockdown restrictions to fight COVID19. Further, MHA has also issued SOPs on sign-on/sign-off for Indian seafarers at Indian ports and their movement for the same.
- Union Power Ministry has advised the State/UT administrations to allow construction activities in the power projects outside Municipal limits during nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak as per the guidelines issued Union Ministry of Home Affairs on 15.04.2020.
- Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways and MSMEs Shri Nitin Gadkari has called upon all the States/UTs to take urgent action so that blockades of trucks and lorries at inter State/UT borders is cleared at the earliest possible, as smooth movement of essential goods to various parts of the country is essential.
- MHA issued SOPs issued for sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement
- Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has issued Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) on 21st April, 2020 to streamline the sign-on/sign-off of Indian Seafarer at Indian Ports for merchant shipping vessels.
- In reference to the guidelines issued by MHA on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020, Ministry of Power advised States/UTs to allow construction activities in the power projects outside Municipal limits during nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak after observing health protocols.
- National Testing Agency (NTA) to extend / revise the dates for submission of online application forms for various examinations.



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## 2. Notifications by Various Ministries/Departments of Central Government related to COVID-19

S. No.	Date	Notification Subject	Ministry	Link
<b>Ministry of Home Affairs</b>				
1	5 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	MHA issues Standard Operating Protocols (SOPs) for movement of Indian Nationals stranded outside the country and of Indians to travel abroad for urgent reasons	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="https://www.mha.gov.in/sites/default/files/MHA%20SOPs%20Dt.%205.5.2020%20reg%20movement%20of%20Indian%20nationals%20stranded%20outside%20the%20country%20and%20of%20specified%20persons%20to%20travel%20abroad.pdf">https://www.mha.gov.in/sites/default/files/MHA%20SOPs%20Dt.%205.5.2020%20reg%20movement%20of%20Indian%20nationals%20stranded%20outside%20the%20country%20and%20of%20specified%20persons%20to%20travel%20abroad.pdf</a>
2	4 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Government of India to facilitate return of Indian Nationals stranded abroad	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620953">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620953</a>
3	2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020	Clarification regarding Movement of Persons and Vehicles in Orange Zones, during Two Weeks Lockdown with effect from May 4, 2020	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620360">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620360</a>
4	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020	Extension of Lockdown for a further period of Two Weeks with effect from May 4, 2020	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620095">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620095</a>
5	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020	New Guidelines on Lockdown Measures	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%20Dt.%201.5.2020%20to%20extend%20Lockdown%20period%20for%202%20weeks%20w.e.f.%204.5.2020%20with%20new%20guidelines.pdf">http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%20Dt.%201.5.2020%20to%20extend%20Lockdown%20period%20for%202%20weeks%20w.e.f.%204.5.2020%20with%20new%20guidelines.pdf</a>
6	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020	Special Trains to be operated for Movement of Stranded Persons across the Country, due to	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%2001.05.2020%20-%20Special%20Trains%20for">http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%2001.05.2020%20-%20Special%20Trains%20for</a>





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		Lockdown Restrictions to fight COVID-19		<a href="#">%20Stranded%20Persons.ipe</a> <a href="#">g</a>
7	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	MHA to States/UTs: Ensure Free Movement of Trucks/Goods Carriers; Essential to Maintain Supply Chain of Goods and Services in the country	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Do%20Ltr%20Dt.%2030.4.2020%20to%20Chief%20Secretaries%20to%20allow%20unhindered%20movement%20of%20trucks%20carrying%20goods.pdf">http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Do%20Ltr%20Dt.%2030.4.2020%20to%20Chief%20Secretaries%20to%20allow%20unhindered%20movement%20of%20trucks%20carrying%20goods.pdf</a>
8	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Centre Facilitates the Inter - State Movement of Stranded People including Migrant Labourer in the country, in wake of COVID -19 Pandemic	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%20on%2029.4.2020%20on%20Movement%20of%20Stranded%20persons.pdf">http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/MHA%20Order%20on%2029.4.2020%20on%20Movement%20of%20Stranded%20persons.pdf</a>
9	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Clarification on MHA order allowing Opening of Shops	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618078">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618078</a>
10	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	MHA issues Order to States/UTs to allow Opening of Certain Categories of Shops, except those in Single and Multi-brand Malls	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://pibphoto.nic.in/documents/rlink/2020/apr/p202042501.pdf">http://pibphoto.nic.in/documents/rlink/2020/apr/p202042501.pdf</a>
11	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2020	Government exempts additional Agricultural and Forestry items, Shops of Educational Books for Students and Shops of Electric Fans from Lockdown Restrictions to fight COVID19	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://pibphoto.nic.in/documents/rlink/2020/apr/p202042101.pdf">http://pibphoto.nic.in/documents/rlink/2020/apr/p202042101.pdf</a>
12	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2020	In-house Care-givers of Senior Citizens, Prepaid mobile recharge utilities, Food processing units in urban areas exempt from Lockdown Restrictions to fight COVID-19	Ministry of Home Affairs	<a href="http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/21.4.2020%20Exemptions%20of%20senior%20citizens%20caregivers,%20prepaid%20mobile%20recharge,%20Food%20Processing%20in%20urban%20areas.pdf">http://164.100.117.97/WriteReadData/userfiles/21.4.2020%20Exemptions%20of%20senior%20citizens%20caregivers,%20prepaid%20mobile%20recharge,%20Food%20Processing%20in%20urban%20areas.pdf</a>
<b>Ministry of Health and Family Welfare</b>				
13	3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2020	Central teams being deployed to districts with highest number of COVID19 cases	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620761">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620761</a>



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14	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020	Additional guidelines on rational use of Personal Protective Equipment (setting approach for Health functionaries working in non-COVID areas)	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/AdditionalguidelinesonrationaluseofPersonalProtectiveEquipmentsettingapproachforHealthfunctionariesworkinginnonCOVIDareas.pdf">https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/AdditionalguidelinesonrationaluseofPersonalProtectiveEquipmentsettingapproachforHealthfunctionariesworkinginnonCOVIDareas.pdf</a>
15	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Classification of districts into red-zones, orange zones and green zones	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://www.thehindu.com/news/resources/article31478595.ece/BINARY/Ltr%20to%20CS%2030%20april.pdf.pdf">https://www.thehindu.com/news/resources/article31478595.ece/BINARY/Ltr%20to%20CS%2030%20april.pdf.pdf</a>
16	27 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Guidelines for Home Isolation of very mild/pre-symptomatic COVID-19 cases	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforHomeIsolationofverymildpresymptomaticCOVID19cases.pdf">https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesforHomeIsolationofverymildpresymptomaticCOVID19cases.pdf</a>
17	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Health Ministry to States/UTs: ensure that care of TB patients goes uninterrupted during COVID-19 pandemic	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617835">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617835</a>
<b>Ministry of Commerce &amp; Industry</b>				
18	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	DPIIT Control Room playing a pivotal role in monitoring the issues of Industry and Trade, and solving the difficulties faced by various stakeholders during the lockdown period	Ministry of Commerce & Industry	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619521">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619521</a>
<b>Ministry of Micro, Small &amp; Medium Enterprises</b>				
19	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2020	Government Clears "Roadblock" To Fast-Track PMEGP Projects	Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620015">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620015</a>
<b>Ministry of Human Resource Development</b>				
20	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	National Testing Agency (NTA) extends / revises dates for submission of online application forms for various examinations	Ministry of Human Resource Development	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619698">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619698</a>
21	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	UGC Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in View of COVID-19 and Subsequent Lockdown;	Ministry of Human Resource Development	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619368">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1619368</a>
22	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	Union HRD Minister releases Alternative Academic Calendar for	Ministry of Human Resource Development	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617408">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617408</a>



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<b>Ministry of Power</b>				
23	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	Union Power Ministry advises States/UTs to allow construction activities in the power projects outside Municipal limits during nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak after observing health protocols	Ministry of Power	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617432">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1617432</a>
<b>Ministry of Road Transport &amp; Highways</b>				
24	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	urgent action to facilitate Inter-State border movement of Trucks/Lorries carrying essential goods to ease public life during COVID 19 pandemic	Ministry of Road Transport & Highways	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618930">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618930</a>
<b>Ministry of Shipping</b>				
25	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	Rs. 50 lakh compensation declared for the Port employees/workers in case of loss of life due to COVID-19	Ministry of Shipping	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618909">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1618909</a>
26	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	SOPs issued for sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement	Ministry of Shipping	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1616999">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1616999</a>
<b>Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances &amp; Pensions</b>				
27	2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020	New guidelines for hearing of cases by CAT in Green, Orange & Red Zones	Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions	<a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620335">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1620335</a>

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### 3. Relief Measures provided by Central Board of Direct Taxes, Ministry of Finance to mitigate the impact of pandemic COVID-19

S.No.	Date of Issue of Notification	Issued by Ministry	Relief measures provided by the Central Board of Direct Taxes to mitigate the impact of pandemic COVID-19	Link
1	22 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CBDT vide Circular No. 09/2020 dated April 22, 2020, has clarified the provisions of Direct Tax Vivad Se Vishwas Act, 2020.</li> <li>The 'Vivad se Vishwas' Scheme was announced to provide for dispute resolution in respect of pending income tax litigation. Pursuant to Budget announcement, the Direct Tax Vivad se Vishwas Bill, 2020 (the Bill) was introduced in the Lok Sabha on 5th Feb 2020. Subsequently, based on the representations received from the stakeholders regarding its various provisions, official amendments to the Bill were proposed. These amendments sought to widen the scope of the bill and reduce the compliance burden on taxpayers.</li> </ul>	<a href="https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/circular/circular_no_9_2020.pdf">https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/circular/circular_no_9_2020.pdf</a>
2	27 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	The CBDT issued a corrigendum to Circular No. 9/2020 dated April 27, 2020, which further clarifies the provisions of the Direct Tax Vivad Se Vishwas Act, 2020.	<a href="https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/circular/corrigendum_circular_9_2020.pdf">https://www.incometaxindia.gov.in/communications/circular/corrigendum_circular_9_2020.pdf</a>

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#### 4. Relief Measures provided by Central Board of Indirect Taxes, Ministry of Finance to mitigate the impact of pandemic COVID-19

S.No	Date of Issue of Notification	Issued by Ministry	Relief measures provided by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs to mitigate the impact of pandemic COVID-19	Link
1	21 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	The CBIC vide Circular No. 21/2020 dated April 21, 2020, to extend the relaxation to accept an undertaking in lieu of a bond required during customs clearance up to 30.04.2020 vide Board's Circular No. 17/2020 dated 03.04.2020 on 'Measures to facilitate trade during the lockdown period-section 143AA of the Customs Act, 1962' wherein relaxation was given to accept an undertaking in lieu of a bond required during customs clearance upto 30.04.2020, subject to conditions as underlined in the circular. The said circular was issued in the context of lockdown announced by the Government for the period 25.03.2020 to 14.04.2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic.	<a href="http://cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-circulars/cs-circulars-2020/Circular-No-21-2020.pdf">http://cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-circulars/cs-circulars-2020/Circular-No-21-2020.pdf</a>
2	23 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	The CBIC, Anti Smuggling Unit vide F.No. 394/46/2020 - Cus(AS) which waive the Demurrage Charges levied by ICDs/CFSS/Ports/Terminal Operators during Lockdown. On account of lockdown measures, the logistics chain of businesses has been most adversely impacted. The chain includes the activities of all stakeholders (Importers, Exporters. Customs Brokers. Transporters. Labour, etc.) dealing with the clearance of cargo from Customs facilities viz., Ports. ICDs and CFSS. As a result, importers are not able to clear the import of consignments in many parts of the country for reasons that are beyond their control. In the circumstance. numerous importers and trade associations have requested the waiver of penal charges which are collected by the custodians on the imported goods lying at various ports, ICDs. CFSS beyond the normal free period.	<a href="https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-circulars/cs-circulars-2020/Letter_dated_23.04.2020.pdf">https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources//htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-circulars/cs-circulars-2020/Letter_dated_23.04.2020.pdf</a>
3	27 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	Taxpayers deposit money using challan and the paid amount gets credited in the particular head in the Electronic Cash Ledger and the same can be utilized in settling liabilities of that head only. In case a taxpayer deposited any amount under a major head i.e. IGST, CGST, SGST/UTGST and Cess or	<a href="https://www.gst.gov.in/newsandupdates/read/375">https://www.gst.gov.in/newsandupdates/read/375</a>



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			minor head i.e. Tax, Interest, Penalty, Fee and Others, they can then utilize this amount for discharging their liabilities only under that major head and minor head. Sometimes, inadvertently, the taxpayer pays the amount under the wrong head and it cannot be used to discharge the liabilities which may be due in another head. In such cases, taxpayers can claim the refund of the amount which may have been deposited under the wrong head in GST by filing a refund application in FORM RFD-01 under the category "Excess balance in electronic cash ledger". The process of filing a refund claim and its disbursement can sometimes lead to blockage of funds for the taxpayer.	
4	27 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	The CBIC has issued Instruction No. 390/Misc/3/2019-JC dated April 27, 2020, which provides guidelines to conduct a personal hearing in the virtual mode under Customs Act, 1962. The board has been reviewing various procedures under the Customs Act, 1962, on account of the recent outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) with a view to adopt measures to ensure social distancing, reduce physical presence, use modern information and communication technology systems and change the conventional mode of work, In areas not covered by Customs ICES EDI system/ ICEGATE online gateway, by creating a virtual customs working environment.	<a href="https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-instructions/cs-instructions-2020/cs-ins-04-2020.pdf">https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-cbec/customs/cs-instructions/cs-instructions-2020/cs-ins-04-2020.pdf</a>
5	28 April 2020	Ministry of Finance	The CBIC vide Notification No. 37/2020-Central Tax dated April 28, 2020, which notifies the Form PMT - 09 effective from April 21, 2020. Now the taxpayers can transfer the cash balance available under one head to another head of tax i.e. from CGST to SGST or interest or penalty or vice versa.	<a href="https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-cbec/gst/notfctn-37-central-tax-english-2020.pdf">https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-cbec/gst/notfctn-37-central-tax-english-2020.pdf</a>
6	3 May 2020	Ministry of Finance	It has been observed that some fraudulent messages are being circulated on WhatsApp, Email, and SMS, claiming to process a GST refund. It clearly shows that some miscreants have started to take undue advantage of the Covid-19 crisis, by sending out fake messages with phishing links. One such link takes to a portal claimed to have been developed by GSTN. The same is fake and the Government has notified only <a href="http://www.gst.gov.in">www.gst.gov.in</a> as the common portal, under the GST Laws.	<a href="https://www.gst.gov.in/newsandupdates/read/376">https://www.gst.gov.in/newsandupdates/read/376</a>
7	4 May 2020	Ministry of Finance	CBIC vide Instruction No. 04/2020 - Customs dated May 04, 2020 which provided provisional clearance of goods under India Trade Agreements. With reference to Circular 18/2020-	<a href="https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-">https://www.cbic.gov.in/resources/htdocs-</a>



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			Customs, dated 11.04.2020, which provides an option to clear goods under preferential tariff claim, in terms of section 18 of the Customs Act, 1962, where a Certificate of Origin (CoO) is not available at the time of filing customs documents.	<a href="https://cbec/customs/cs-instructions/cs-instructions-2020/cs-ins-04.pdf">cbec/customs/cs-instructions/cs-instructions-2020/cs-ins-04.pdf</a>
8	5 May 2020	Ministry of Finance	<p>CBIC vide Notification No. 38/2020 - Central Tax dated May 05, 2020, which makes further amendments in the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017.</p> <p>The CBIC vide Notification No. 39/2020 - Central Tax dated May 05, 2020, which makes an amendment to the special procedure for Corporate Debtors undergoing the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 vide Notification No. 11/2020-CT dated Mar 21, 2020.</p> <p>CBIC vide Notification No. 40/2020 - Central Tax Dated May 05, 2020, has further extends the validity of E-Way Bill till May 31, 2020, for those E-Way bills which has been generated under rule 138 of the CGST Rules, 2017 on or before March 24, 2020, and its period of validity expire's during the period March 20, 2020 to April 15, 2020.</p> <p>CBIC vide Notification No. 41/2020 - Central Tax Dated May 05, 2020 which further extends the time limit for furnishing of the Annual Return i.e. Form GSTR-9, specified under section 44 of the CGST Act, 2017 read with rule 80 of the CGST Rules, 2017, electronically through the common portal, for the Financial Year 2018-2019 till September 30, 2020.</p>	<a href="http://egazette.nic.in/WriteReadData/2020/219298.pdf">http://egazette.nic.in/WriteReadData/2020/219298.pdf</a>

Source: PHD research Bureau, PHDCCI, compiled from various sources



## 5. Relief Measures and Notifications issued by State Governments

S.No	State	Date of Issue of Notification	Notification Title/Subject/No.	Issued by Ministry/Department	Link
1	Delhi	27th April 2020	No. F.2/07/2020/S.I/106	Delhi Disaster Management Authority	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/cs2704.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/cs2704.pdf</a>
2	Punjab	2nd May 2020	COVID-19 notification of facilities/hospitals as isolation hospital in the state of Punjab	Department of Health and Family Welfare (Health IV Branch), Government of Punjab	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Notification%20of%20Facilities%20as%20Isolation%20Hospital%20in%20the%20State%20of%20Punjab%20Dated%2029-04-2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Notification%20of%20Facilities%20as%20Isolation%20Hospital%20in%20the%20State%20of%20Punjab%20Dated%2029-04-2020.pdf</a>
		30th April 2020	COVID-19 regarding notification of entry points on major roads, closure of entry points on the link roads and screening of persons coming to the State of Punjab from other states	Department of Health and Family Welfare (Health IV Branch), Government of Punjab	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Notification%20of%20Entry%20Points%20on%20Major%20Roads%20Closure%20of%20Entry%20Points%20and%20Screening%20of%20Persons%20coming%20to%20the%20State%20Dated%2027-04-2020%20%281%29.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Notification%20of%20Entry%20Points%20on%20Major%20Roads%20Closure%20of%20Entry%20Points%20and%20Screening%20of%20Persons%20coming%20to%20the%20State%20Dated%2027-04-2020%20%281%29.pdf</a>
		27th April 2020	Relief to the electricity consumers in the state of Punjab	Punjab State Power corporation Limited	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Relief%20to%20Electricity%20Consumers%20in%20the%20State%20of%20Punjab%20Dated%2027-04-2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Relief%20to%20Electricity%20Consumers%20in%20the%20State%20of%20Punjab%20Dated%2027-04-2020.pdf</a>





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			for mitigating the impact of COVID-19		<a href="#">public/2020-04/5%20Punjab%20electri city.pdf</a>
3	Haryana	4th May 2020	New guidelines to implement MHA guidelines dated 1st May 2020 with reference to industry and other establishments	Government of Haryana, Industries and Commerce department	<a href="#">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Haryana%20Guidelines%20-%2003.05.2020.pdf</a>
4	Rajastha n	4th May 2020	Minutes of Meeting of the State Executive Committee held at the Forest Bhavan		<a href="#">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/SEC-Minutes-27-04-2020.pdf</a>
		1st May 2020	Advisory to industrial and commercial establishment	Government of Rajasthan, Industries and MSME department	<a href="#">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Rajasthan%20ASC-Industries%20Advisory%20on%20Wages Salary%20a dvisory%20for%20april%20month-%20GoR.pdf</a>
5	Uttar Pradesh	30th April 2020	Agra Smart city monitors COVID-19 hot-spots using GIS dashboard	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	<a href="#">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PIB Agra%20Smart%20city%20monitors%20COVI D-19%20hot-spots%20using%20GIS%20 dashboard.pdf</a>
6	Himachal Pradesh	4th May 2020	Order	National Health Mission, Himachal Pradesh	<a href="#">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20issued%20by</a>



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					<a href="#">%20Himachal%20Pradesh%20regarding%20the%20surveillance%20of%20Inter-State%20migrants.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Order	Office of the District Magistrate, Solan, HP	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20regarding%20single%20weekly%20movement%20of%20senior%20management%20of%20units%20in%20BBN%20area%2C%20from%20Pinjore%2C%20Panchkula%20and%20Kalka.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20regarding%20single%20weekly%20movement%20of%20senior%20management%20of%20units%20in%20BBN%20area%2C%20from%20Pinjore%2C%20Panchkula%20and%20Kalka.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Order	Government of Himachal Pradesh, Revenue Department- Disaster Management Cell	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20issued%20by%20Government%20of%20Himachal%20Pradesh%20for%20Lockdown%203.0_02.05.2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20issued%20by%20Government%20of%20Himachal%20Pradesh%20for%20Lockdown%203.0_02.05.2020.pdf</a>
7	Madhya Pradesh	5th May 2020	Dr. Harsh Vardhan reviews preparedness and containment measures taken for the management of COVID-19 in Madhya Pradesh through Video Conferencing	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/PIB_Dr.%20Harsh%20Vardhan%20reviews%20preparedness%20and%20containment%20measures%20taken%20for%20the%20management%20of%20COVID-19%20in%20Madhya%20Pradesh%20through%20Video%20Conferencing.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/PIB_Dr.%20Harsh%20Vardhan%20reviews%20preparedness%20and%20containment%20measures%20taken%20for%20the%20management%20of%20COVID-19%20in%20Madhya%20Pradesh%20through%20Video%20Conferencing.pdf</a>



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8	Bihar	4th May 2020	Department of Home, Bihar Government		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20issued%20by%20Government%20of%20Bihar%20for%20Lockdown%203.0_03.05.2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order%20issued%20by%20Government%20of%20Bihar%20for%20Lockdown%203.0_03.05.2020.pdf</a>
		28th April 2020	Department of Health, Government of Bihar		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Order%20regarding%20COVID%20containment%20zones%20in%20Bihar_26.04.2020.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Order%20regarding%20COVID%20containment%20zones%20in%20Bihar_26.04.2020.PDF</a>
		28th April 2020	Department of Health, Government of Bihar		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Order%20regarding%20COVID%20containment%20zones%20in%20Bihar_27.04.2020.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Order%20regarding%20COVID%20containment%20zones%20in%20Bihar_27.04.2020.PDF</a>
9	Chhattisgarh	2nd May 2020	Guidelines for Migrant Labour, Tourists, Students and movement of people overseas in the wake of Coronavirus		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/CG_GAD_Interstatemove_29042020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/CG_GAD_Interstatemove_29042020.pdf</a>
10	Maharashtra	4th May 2020	Cotton procurement through MSP operations continuing at	Ministry of Textiles	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-</a>



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			34 centres in Maharashtra; Total 36,500 quintals of Kapas equivalent to 6900 bales procured during lockdown period		<a href="#">05/PIB_Cotton%20procurement%20through%20MSP%20operations%20continuing%20at%2034%20centres%20in%20Maharashtra%3B%20Total%2036%2C500%20quintals%20of%20Kapas%20equivalent%20to%206900%20bales%20procured%20during%20lockdown%20period.pdf</a>
		3rd May 2020	Extension of lockdown and revised guidelines on the measures to be taken for containment of COVID-19 in the state	Government of Maharashtra, Department of Revenue and Forest, Disaster Management, Relief and Rehabilitation	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Notification%2005-02-2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Notification%2005-02-2020.pdf</a>
		29th April 2020	Smart city Kalyan-Dombivli's COVID-19 dashboard now opens for public	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PressReleasePage1.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PressReleasePage1.pdf</a>
11	Karnataka	30th April 2020	Operating of industries/industrial establishments in COVID-19 unaffected districts-reg	Government of Karnataka	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Government%20of%20Karnataka-Operating%20of%20Industries%20in%20COVID-19%20Unaffected%20Districts.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Government%20of%20Karnataka-Operating%20of%20Industries%20in%20COVID-19%20Unaffected%20Districts.pdf</a>
		29th April 2020	Permitting SEZ and EOU in	Government of Karnataka	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Government%20of%20Karnataka-Operating%20of%20Industries%20in%20COVID-19%20Unaffected%20Districts.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Government%20of%20Karnataka-Operating%20of%20Industries%20in%20COVID-19%20Unaffected%20Districts.pdf</a>



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			various districts		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Karnataka-Circular-28.04.202-Relaxation%20in%20procedure%20to%20start%20industrial%20operation%20reg..pdf">1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Karnataka-28.04.2020-Permitting%20SEZ%20and%20EOU%20in%20various%20districts%20reg..pdf</a>
		29th April 2020	Relaxation in procedure to start industrial operation in COVID-19 in unaffected districts	Government of Karnataka	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Karnataka-Circular-28.04.202-Relaxation%20in%20procedure%20to%20start%20industrial%20operation%20reg..pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/Karnataka-Circular-28.04.202-Relaxation%20in%20procedure%20to%20start%20industrial%20operation%20reg..pdf</a>
12	Odisha	4th May 2020	All collectors /all municipal commisioners/ commissioner of police, Bhubhaneshwar- Cuttack/All Superintendents of Police	Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/2423.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/2423.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Order for Stamping of quarantines	Office of Special Relief Commissioner	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/SRC-Order-for-stamping-quarantines.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/SRC-Order-for-stamping-quarantines.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	SOP for persons in Odisha	Office of Chief Secretary, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/CS-Order-SOP-for-movement-of-persons-stranded-in-Odisha.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/CS-Order-SOP-for-movement-of-persons-stranded-in-Odisha.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Guidelines for issue of	Home Department, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/2423.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/2423.pdf</a>



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			permissions for interstate movement		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Revised-guidelines-issue-permissions-inter-state-movement.pdf">south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Revised-guidelines-issue-permissions-inter-state-movement.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Provision of food for sick, indigent, destitute persons and migrant workers due to covid	Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Provision-food-sick-indigent-destitute-persons-migrant-workers-stranded-COVID-19.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Provision-food-sick-indigent-destitute-persons-migrant-workers-stranded-COVID-19.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Categorization of districts into red, orange and green zones	Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Categorization-District-Covid-19-03052020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Categorization-District-Covid-19-03052020.pdf</a>
		4th May 2020	Extension of lockdown till May 17	Office of Special Relief Commissioner, Government of Odisha	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Lockdown-Extension-till-May-17-SRC%20Order.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Lockdown-Extension-till-May-17-SRC%20Order.pdf</a>
13	Andhra Pradesh	3rd May 2020	Release of an amount of Rs 18 crores and 99 lakhs for a special sanitation drive	Government of Andhra Pradesh	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20COVID-19%20-%20Release%20of%20an%20amount%20of%20Rs%20189900000-%20Rupees%20Eighteen%20Crores%20and%20Ninet%20Nine%20Lakhs%20%20Only%20towards%20Spec">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20COVID-19%20-%20Release%20of%20an%20amount%20of%20Rs%20189900000-%20Rupees%20Eighteen%20Crores%20and%20Ninet%20Nine%20Lakhs%20%20Only%20towards%20Spec</a>



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	2nd May 2020	Government of Andhra Pradesh: Instructions for conducting toddy tapping operations	Government of Andhra Pradesh		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20Certain%20instructions%20for%20conducting%20Toddy%20Tapping%20operations%20during%20the%20period%20of%20COVID-19%20Lockdown-Orders.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20Certain%20instructions%20for%20conducting%20Toddy%20Tapping%20operations%20during%20the%20period%20of%20COVID-19%20Lockdown-Orders.PDF</a>
	2nd May 2020	The state government has issued "Consolidated revised guidelines" incorporating certain	Government of Andhra Pradesh		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20Action%20Plan%20for%20operationalization%20of%20revised%20guidelines%20by%20MHA%20%20-%20COVID%2019.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20Action%20Plan%20for%20operationalization%20of%20revised%20guidelines%20by%20MHA%20%20-%20COVID%2019.PDF</a>
	1st May 2020	Visakhapatnam Smart City Operations Centre functions round the clock for Covid-19 management	Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/PIB.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/PIB.pdf</a>
	1st May 2020	The state government has constituted a State Level Committee for audit of deaths related to covid 19	Health , Medical and Family Welfare department		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Andhra%20Pradesh-%20Constitution%20of%20State%20Level%20Commit">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Andhra%20Pradesh-%20Constitution%20of%20State%20Level%20Commit</a>



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		1st May 2020	COVID-19 providing three face masks to each individual in AP- distribution through ward volunteers	Municipal Administration Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20AP%20Government%20distributing%2003%20face%20masks%20to%20each%20individual.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/GoAP%20-%20AP%20Government%20distributing%2003%20face%20masks%20to%20each%20individual.pdf</a>
		1st May 2020	The state government issued orders to all the district collectors, joint collectors	Health , Medical and Family Welfare department	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Andhra%20Pradesh-%20Containment%2C%20Control%20and%20Prevention%20of%20COVID%20%E2%80%93%2019%20%E2%80%93%20Additional%20guidelines.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Andhra%20Pradesh-%20Containment%2C%20Control%20and%20Prevention%20of%20COVID%20%E2%80%93%2019%20%E2%80%93%20Additional%20guidelines.PDF</a>
		30th April 2020	Enlisting of deputy collectors to work on COVID-19	Health , Medical and Family Welfare department	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/GoAP%20-%20Drafting%20of%20Deputy%20Collectors%20to%20work%20on%20COVID-19.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/GoAP%20-%20Drafting%20of%20Deputy%20Collectors%20to%20work%20on%20COVID-19.PDF</a>
14	Goa	4th May 2020	South Goa order regarding lockdown	Office of the collector and district magistrate, South Goa	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order-Section-144-RestrictionsBan-Imposed-In-South-Goa-District.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order-Section-144-RestrictionsBan-Imposed-In-South-Goa-District.pdf</a>





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		4th May 2020	North Goa- Order regarding lockdown 3.0	Office of the District Magistrate, North Goa	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order-Section-144-Restriction-or-Ban-imposed-in-North-Goa.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Order-Section-144-Restriction-or-Ban-imposed-in-North-Goa.pdf</a>
		30th April 2020	Minutes of Meeting of the State Executive Committee held at the Forest Bhavan		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/SEC-Minutes-28-04-2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/SEC-Minutes-28-04-2020.pdf</a>
		28th April 2020	Minutes of Meeting of the State Executive Committee held at the Forest Bhavan		<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/SEC-Minutes-27-04-2020.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/SEC-Minutes-27-04-2020.pdf</a>
15	Tamil Nadu	3rd May 2020	Government of Tamil Nadu- issue of online e-passes	Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Chennai	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Tamil%20Nadu-Issue%20of%20E-pass%20Online%20portal.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/Government%20of%20Tamil%20Nadu-Issue%20of%20E-pass%20Online%20portal.pdf</a>
16	Telangana	30th April 2020	Government has accorded permission to obtain the credit facility of Rs 26.73 crores	Government of Telangana	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT186.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT186.PDF</a>
		30th April 2020	The state government	Government of Telangana	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT186.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT186.PDF</a>



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		30th April 2020	The state government in the interest of farmers to avoid distress sales, has decided to procure	Government of Telangana	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT184.PDF">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/2020AGLC_RT184.PDF</a>
17	West Bengal	3rd May 2020	Need for normalization of privately run-health services in West Bengal	Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/4%20WB%20Normalisation%20of%20Privately-run%20Health%20Services.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/4%20WB%20Normalisation%20of%20Privately-run%20Health%20Services.pdf</a>
		3rd May 2020	West Bengal COVID 19 tests not to be considered mandatory before surgery	Directorate of Health Services, Government of West Bengal	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/3%20WB%20COVID19%20tests%20not%20to%20be%20considered%20as%20mandatory%20before%20surgery.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/3%20WB%20COVID19%20tests%20not%20to%20be%20considered%20as%20mandatory%20before%20surgery.pdf</a>



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		29th April 2020	HCARD, a robot to assist frontline COVID-19 healthcare warriors	Ministry of Science & Technology	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PIB_HCARD%2C%20a%20robot%2C%20to%20assist%20frontline%20COVID-19%20healthcare%20warriors.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PIB_HCARD%2C%20a%20robot%2C%20to%20assist%20frontline%20COVID-19%20healthcare%20warriors.pdf</a>
18	Assam	4th May 2020	Guidelines for Assam Lockdown 3.0	Assam State Disaster Management Authority	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/New%20Doc%202020-05-03%2019.38.29.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/New%20Doc%202020-05-03%2019.38.29.pdf</a>
19	Manipur	5th May 2020	Health Department SOP incoming stranded persons	Health Department, Government of Manipur	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/ilovepdf_merged.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/ilovepdf_merged.pdf</a>
		5th May 2020	Orders by the Government	Home Department, Government of Manipur	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/ilovepdf_merged%202.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-05/ilovepdf_merged%202.pdf</a>
20	Tripura	28th April 2020	Agartala Smart City uses mobile kiosk for COVID-19 sample collection	Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs	<a href="https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PIB_Agartala%20Smart%20City%20uses%20mobile%20kiosk%20for%20COVID-19%20sample%20collection.pdf">https://invest-india-revamp-static-files.s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/2020-04/PIB_Agartala%20Smart%20City%20uses%20mobile%20kiosk%20for%20COVID-19%20sample%20collection.pdf</a>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Releases on Economic Developments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial Markets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Development Monitor (SDM)</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foreign exchange market</li> </ul>		
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## Studies Undertaken by PHD Research Bureau

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1. Comparative study on power situation in Northern and Central states of India (September 2011)
2. Economic Analysis of State (October 2011)
3. Growth Prospects of the Indian Economy, Vision 2021 (December 2011)
4. Budget 2012-13: Move Towards Consolidation (March 2012)
5. Emerging Trends in Exchange Rate Volatility (Apr 2012)
6. The Indian Direct Selling Industry Annual Survey 2010-11 (May 2012)
7. Global Economic Challenges: Implications for India (May 2012)
8. India Agronomics: An Agriculture Economy Update (August 2012)
9. Reforms to Push Growth on High Road (September 2012)
10. The Indian Direct Selling Industry Annual Survey 2011-12: Beating Slowdown (March 2013)
11. Budget 2013-14: Moving on reforms (March 2013)
12. India- Africa Promise Diverse Opportunities (November 2013)
13. India- Africa Promise Diverse Opportunities: Suggestions Report (November 2013)
14. Annual survey of Indian Direct Selling Industry-2012-13 (December 2013)
15. Imperatives for Double Digit Growth (December 2013)
16. Women Safety in Delhi: Issues and Challenges to Employment (March 2014)
17. Emerging Contours in the MSME sector of Uttarakhand (April 2014)
18. Roadmap for New Government (May 2014)
19. Youth Economics (May 2014)
20. Economy on the Eve of Union Budget 2014-15 (July 2014)
21. Budget 2014-15: Promise of Progress (July 2014)
22. Agronomics 2014: Impact on economic growth and inflation (August 2014)
23. 100 Days of new Government (September 2014)
24. Make in India: Bolstering Manufacturing Sector (October 2014)
25. The Indian Direct Selling Industry Annual Survey 2013-14 (November 2014)
26. Participated in a survey to audit SEZs in India with CAG Office of India (November 2014)
27. Role of MSMEs in Make in India with reference to Ease of Doing Business in Ghaziabad (Nov 2014)
28. Exploring Prospects for Make in India and Made in India: A Study (January 2015)
29. SEZs in India: Criss-Cross Concerns (February 2015)
30. Socio-Economic Impact of Check Dams in Sikar District of Rajasthan (February 2015)
31. India - USA Economic Relations (February 2015)
32. Economy on the Eve of Union Budget 2015-16 (February 2015)
33. Budget Analysis (2015-16)
34. Druzhba-Dosti: India's Trade Opportunities with Russia (April 2015)
35. Impact of Labour Reforms on Industry in Rajasthan: A survey study (July 2015)
36. Progress of Make in India (September 2015)
37. Grown Diamonds, A Sunrise Industry in India: Prospects for Economic Growth (November 2015)
38. Annual survey of Indian Direct Selling Industry 2014-15 (December 2015)
39. India's Foreign Trade Policy Environment Past, Present and Future (December 2015)
40. Revisiting the emerging economic powers as drivers in promoting global economic growth (February 2016)



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41. Bolstering MSMEs for Make in India with special focus on CSR (March 2016)
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43. India's Exports Outlook (August 2016)
44. Ease of Doing Business : Suggestive Measures for States (October 2016)
45. Transforming India through Make in India, Skill India and Digital India (November 2016)
46. Impact of Demonetization on Economy, Businesses and People (January 2017)
47. Economy on the eve of Budget 2017-18 (January 2017)
48. Union Budget 2017-18: A budget for all-inclusive development (January 2017)
49. Annual Survey of Indian Direct Selling Industry 2015-16 (February 2017)
50. Worklife Balance and Health Concerns of Women: A Survey (March 2017)
51. Special Economic Zones: Performance, Problems and Opportunities (April 2017)
52. Feasibility Study (socio-Economic Survey) of Ambala and Rohtak Districts in Haryana (March 2017)
53. Goods and Services (GST): So far (July 2017)
54. Reshaping India-Africa Trade: Dynamics and Export Potentiality of Indian Products in Africa (July 2017)
55. Industry Perspective on Bitcoins (July 2017)
56. Senior Housing: A sunrise sector in India (August 2017)
57. Current state of the economy (October 2017)
58. Equitable finance to fulfill funding requirements of Indian Economy (October 2017)
59. The Wall of Protectionism: : Rise and Rise of Protectionist Policies in the Global Arena, (November 2017)
60. India-Israel Relations: Building Bridges of Dynamic Trade(October 2017)
61. Role of Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES) in Improving Export Competitiveness (November 2017)
62. India - China Trade Relationship: The Trade Giants of Past, Present and Future (January 2018)
63. Analysis of Trade Pattern between India and ASEAN(January 2018)
64. Union Budget 2018-19 – (February 2018)
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69. Growth Prospects of the Indian Economy: Road to US \$5 Trillion Economy(May 2018)
70. India's Free Trade Agreements Dynamics and Diagnostics of Trade Prospects(May 2018)
71. India – UK Trade Relations and Societal Links: Way Forward (June 2018)
72. Rural Economy: Road to US \$5 Trillion Economy(September 2018)
73. Indian Economy on the Eve of Union Budget 2019-20 (Interim): Steady...strong...fastest moving economy (January 2019)
74. Interim Budget 2019-2020: A Dynamic, Inclusive & Pragmatic Budget (February 2019)
75. Women Entrepreneurship: Transforming from Domestic Households to Financial Independence (March 2019)
76. Prospects for Exports from India: Five Pronged Strategy to Achieve USD700 Billion Merchandise Exports by 2025 (March 2019)
77. India Towards Shared Prosperity: Economic Agenda for the Next five Years (March 2019)
78. Job Creation: A Pan India Survey of Households (March 2019)
79. India Inc. Speaks Live: Wish List for the Next Five Years (May 2019)



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80. Suggestive Roadmap for Revitalizing Economic Growth (June 2019)
  81. Indian Economy on the Eve of Union Budget 2019-20 (July 2019)
  82. Union Budget 2019-20: Road to US\$ 5 trillion economy (July 2019)
  83. Ease of Doing Business for MSMEs (September 2019)
  84. Report Emerging contours in the defence and homeland security
  85. Framework of University-Industry Linkages in Research DSIR
  86. India's Trade and Investment opportunities with ASEAN Economies (November 2019)
  87. Indian Economy on the Eve of Union Budget 2020-21 (February 2020)
  88. Union Budget 2020-21: Aspirational, Caring and Developmental Budget (February 2020)
  89. Macroeconomic Indicators and Pandemic COVID-19 Stimulus provided by Select Economies (April 2020)
  90. Report on impact of Pandemic COVID-19 by PHDCCI (April 2020)
  91. Tax relief measures provided by Pandemic COVID-19 impacted Countries (April 2020)
  92. Impact of Pandemic COVID-19 : PHD Chamber's detailed representation on short term and long term measures submitted to the Government (April 2020)
  93. Mitigating the Impact of Pandemic COVID-19 on Trade & Industry: PHDCCI Representations to Government of India and State Governments (April 2020)
  94. Relief Measures provided by Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Commerce & others
  95. Analysis on Relief Measures -Salaries wages by pandemic COVID-19 impacted countries (April 2020)
  96. Relief measures provided by various countries to mitigate the daunting impact of pandemic COVID-19 on economy, trade and industry (April 2020)
  97. Analysis of COVID at International and Sub-National Level- Speed of spread, Mortality and Recovery (April 2020)
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98. Rajasthan: The State Profile (April 2011)
  99. Uttarakhand: The State Profile (June 2011)
  100. Punjab: The State Profile (November 2011)
  101. J&K: The State Profile (December 2011)
  102. Uttar Pradesh: The State Profile (December 2011)
  103. Bihar: The State Profile (June 2012)
  104. Himachal Pradesh: The State Profile (June 2012)
  105. Madhya Pradesh: The State Profile (August 2012)
  106. Resurgent Bihar (April 2013)
  107. Life ahead for Uttarakhand (August 2013)
  108. Punjab: The State Profile (February 2014)
  109. Haryana: Bolstering Industrialization (May 2015)
  110. Progressive Uttar Pradesh: Building Uttar Pradesh of Tomorrow (August 2015),
  111. Suggestions for Progressive Uttar Pradesh (August 2015)
  112. State profile of Telangana- The dynamic state of India (April 2016)
  113. Smart Infrastructure Summit 2016- Transforming Uttar Pradesh (August 2016)
  114. Smart Infrastructure Summit 2016- Transforming Uttar Pradesh : Suggestions for the State Government (August 2016)
  115. Rising Jharkhand: An Emerging Investment Hub (February 2017)
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| 119. Analysis of State Budgets for 2018-19: Select Sates (March 2018)   | 123. Rising Jharkhand: Skill Development to Spur Socio-Economic Growth (January 2019) |
| 120. Rising Uttar Pradesh One District One Product Summit (August 2018)                                       | 124. Progressive Haryana: Economic Profile (February 2019)                            |
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