

PRESS RELEASE

In the light of the implementation of GST from 01-07-2017, the Government has issued orders in G.O. (MS) No.30, CT&R (A2) Department, dated 04-03-2019 for re-organisation of Commercial Taxes Department. .

The following are some of the salient features of the Government order:

a) The existing Enforcement Wing will be re-named as “**Intelligence wing**” reflecting the changing role of officers under the Goods and Services Tax. In the previous VAT and TNGST regime routine inspection and audit were conducted based on the inputs given by officers. Under the GST, inspection and verification will be conducted after proper examination of the data available in the Information system of the Department and information and data obtained from other reliable sources. Dealers indulging in evasion of tax alone will be targeted. It is also proposed to assign the function of assessment to the Intelligence Wing in respect of cases where defects or deviations are noticed during inspection and verification. This will avoid the delay involved in the assessment procedure and dual control.

b) Each Intelligence Wing Division will have one permanent roving squad and the respective Joint Commissioners, Intelligence Wing may constitute roving squads according to the need of the hour or circumstances. Hence, widespread routine checks of vehicles carrying goods will be avoided.

c) To maintain even work load, new Divisions and Circles will be created. Divisions and Circles will be realigned keeping the dealer base will be kept in the range of approximately 1500-2000 tax payers.

d) A special cell will be created in each tax District to recover arrears.

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