

F.No.225/207/2015/ITA.II
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue
Central Board of Direct Taxes

North Block, ITA.II Division
New Delhi dated the 1st of October, 2015

Order under Section 119 of the Income-tax Act, 1961

In supersession of orders under Section 119 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 ('Act') dated 30th September, 2015 vide file of even number, the Central Board of Direct Taxes, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 119 of the Act, hereby orders that the returns of income and audit reports u/s 44AB due for e-filing by 30th September, 2015 may be filed, across the country, by 31st October, 2015.



(Rohit Garg)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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PRESS RELEASE

New Delhi, 1st October, 2015

Subject: Extension of date for filing of Income tax returns and tax audit reports to 31st October 2015 - regarding

The issue of extension of last date for e-filing returns of income and audit reports u/s 44AB due by 30th September, 2015 has been the subject matter of litigation in various High Courts across the country. While some High Courts have ruled in favour of the extension of due date, some others have ruled otherwise. In order to avoid discrimination between taxpayers residing in different jurisdictions and to be fair to all, and also in view of paucity of time to approach the Hon'ble Supreme Court by way of Special Leave Petition, the Government has decided that across the country, all the returns of income and audit reports u/s 44AB which were due for e-filing by 30th September, 2015, may now be filed by 31st October, 2015.

Necessary order u/s 119 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 has been issued by CBDT in this regard.

**(Shefali Shah)
Pr. Commissioner of Income Tax (OSD)
Official Spokesperson, CBDT**