Circular No. 36/10/2018-GST

F. No. 349/48/2017-GST Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Revenue Central Board of Excise and Customs GST Policy Wing

New Delhi, Dated the 13th March, 2018

To,

The Principal Chief Commissioners/Chief Commissioners/Principal Commissioners/ Commissioners of Central Tax (All) The Principal Director Generals / Director Generals (All) The Principal Chief Controller of Accounts, CBEC Madam / sir,

Subject: Processing of refund applications for UIN entities

The GST Council, in its 23rd meeting held at Guwahati on 10th November 2017, has decided that the entities having Unique Identity Number (UIN) may be given centralized registration at the option of such entities. Further, it was also decided that the Central Government will be responsible for all administrative compliances in respect of such entities.

2. In order to clarify some of the issues and to ensure uniformity of implementation across field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred under section 168 (1) of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as "CGST Act") hereby clarifies the following issues:

3. Status of registration for UINs:

i. Entities having UINs are given a special status under the CGST Act as these are not covered under the definition of registered person. These entities have been granted UINs to enable them to claim refund of GST paid on inward supply of goods or services or both received by them. Therefore, if any such entity is making supply of goods or services or both in the course or furtherance of business then such entity will need to apply for GSTIN as per the provisions contained in the CGST Act read with the rules made thereunder.

ii. The process for applying for UIN has been outlined under Rule 17 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as "CGST Rules"). As stated in the said rule, any person covered under clause (a) of sub-section (9) of section 25 of

the CGST Act may submit an application electronically in **FORM GST REG-13** on the common portal. Therefore, Specialised agency of the United Nations Organisation or any Multilateral Financial Institution and Organisation notified under the United Nations (Privileges and Immunities) Act, 1947, Consulate or Embassy of foreign countries shall apply for grant of UIN electronically by filling **FORM GST REG-13**.

iii. Due to delays in making available **FORM GST REG-13** on the common portal, an alternative mechanism has been developed. Entities covered under clause (a) of sub-section (9) of Section 25 of the CGST Act may approach the Protocol Division, Ministry of External Affairs in this regard, who will facilitate grant of UINs in coordination with the Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) and GSTN.

iv. It is clarified that the facility of single UIN is optional and an entity may seek more than one UIN.

4. Filing of return by UIN agencies:

i. The procedure for filing returns by UIN entities is specified under sub-rule (1) of Rule 82 of the CGST Rules. The UIN entity is required to file details of inward supplies in **FORM GSTR-11**.

ii. It may be noted that return in **FORM GSTR-11** is required to be filed only for those tax periods for which refund is being claimed. In other words, if an UIN entity is not claiming refund for a particular period, it need not file return in **FORM GSTR-11** for that period.

5. **Applying for refund by UIN agencies:**

i. All the entities who have been issued UINs and are notified under Section 55 of the CGST Act will be eligible for refund of inward supply of goods or services in terms of notification No. 16/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated 28th June 2017 as amended.

ii. It may be noted that the conditions specified under the said notification need to be complied with while applying for refund claims. Further, field officers are hereby instructed to ensure that all the certificates / undertaking etc. as stipulated in the said notification be duly checked while processing the refund claims.

iii. The procedure for filing a refund application has been outlined under Rule 95 of the CGST Rules which provides for filing of refund on quarterly basis in FORM RFD-10 along with a statement of inward invoices in FORM GSTR-11. It is hereby clarified that FORM GSTR-11 along with FORM GST RFD-10 has to be filed separately for each of those quarters for which refund claim is being filed.

iv. Agencies which have been allotted UINs may visit User Manual / FAQ section on the common portal (<u>www.gst.gov.in</u>) for step by step instructions on how to file **FORM GSTR-11** and **FORM RFD-10**.

v. It is hereby clarified that all the entities claiming refund shall submit the duly filled in print out of **FORM RFD-10** to the jurisdictional Central Tax Commissionerate. All refund claims shall be processed and sanctioned by respective Central Tax offices. In order to facilitate processing of refund claims of UIN entities, a nodal officer has been designated in each State details of whom are given in **Annexure A**. Application for refund claim may be submitted before the designated Central Tax nodal officers in the State in which the UIN has been obtained.

vi. There may be cases where multiple UINs existed for the same entity but were later merged into one single UIN. In such cases, field formations are requested to process refund claims for earlier unmerged UINs also. Hence, the refund application will be made with the single UIN only but invoices of old UINs may be declared in the refund claim, which may be accepted and taken into account while processing the refund claim.

6. **Passing of refund order and settlement of funds:**

i. The facility of centralized UIN ensures that irrespective of the type of tax (CGST, SGST, IGST or Cess) and the State where such inward supply of goods or services have been procured, all refunds would be processed by Central authorities only. Therefore, field formations are advised that all refunds are to be processed on merits irrespective of where and which type of tax is paid on inward supply of goods or services or both by such entities.

ii. A monthly report as prescribed in **Annexure B** is required to be furnished to the Director General of Goods and Services Tax by the 30^{th} of the succeeding month.

iii. Field officers shall send a copy of the order passed for such refunds to their State counterparts for information purposes only.

7. It is requested that suitable trade notices may be issued to publicize the contents of this circular.

8. Difficulty, if any, in implementation of the above instructions may please be brought to the notice of the Board. Hindi version would follow.

-sd-(Upender Gupta) Commissioner (GST)

Annexure A								
S.No.	State/UT Nodal Commissionerate		Contact Address of the Commissionerate	Nodal Officer	Phone number and E-mail id of Nodal Officer			
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5	Assam	Guwahati	CGST & CX Commissionerate, Guwahati-781005	Mr. Sanjeet Kumar, Assistant Commissioner	0361-2465197, sanjeet.kumar@icegate.gov.in			
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24	Mizoram	Aizawl	CGST & CX Commissionerate, Aizawl-796001	Mr. L.Ralte, Deputy Commissioner	0389-2346515 , lal.ralte@icegate.gov.in	
25	Nagaland	Dimapur	CGST &CX Commissionerate, Dimapur-797112	Mr. Gopeswar Chandra Paul, Assistant Commissioner	0386-2351772, paul.gopeswar3@gmail.com	
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29	Punjab	Ludhiana	Central Excise House, F-Block, Rishi Nagar, Ludhiana.	Mr.Neeraj Soi, Deputy Commissioner	0161-2679452, soineeraj@gmail.com	
30	Rajasthan	Jaipur	N.C.R. Building, Statue Circle, Jaipur	Mrs. Ruchita Vij, Additional Commissioner	0141-2385342 ruchitavij@gmail.com	
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32	Tamil Nadu	Chennai (North)	GST Bhawan, 26/1, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034	Additional Commissioner	044-28331177, 044-28331188, commr-cexchn1@nic.in	
33	Telangana	Hyderabad	O/o the Principal Commissioner of Central Tax, Hyderabad GST Commissionerate, GST Bhawan, L B Stadium Road, Basheerbagh, Hyderabad - 500004.	Mr. P. Anand Kumar, Additional Commissioner	040-23240725, ak.pulapaka@gov.in	
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Annexure B

Office of the Commissioner -----

Report for the month of ------

Name of the State	Details of the Entity		Time	Period	Name of the State for which refund has been sanctioned	<u>Central Tax</u>	<u>State Tax /</u> <u>UT Tax</u>	Integrated tax	<u>Cess</u>
	<u>Name</u>	UIN	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>					