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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
(Department of Revenue)
Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs

Notification No 62/2020 – Central Tax

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G.S.R…(E). - In exercise of the powers conferred by section 164 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017), the Central Government, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017, namely: -

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1. **Short Title and commencement.-** (1) These rules may be called the Central Goods and Services Tax (Tenth Amendment) Rules, 2020.

   (2) Save as otherwise provided, they shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 8, for sub-rule (4A), the following sub-rule shall be substituted with effect from 01st April, 2020, namely: -

   "(4A) Where an applicant, other than a person notified under sub-section (6D) of section 25, opts for authentication of Aadhaar number, he shall, while submitting the application under sub-rule (4), with effect from 21st August, 2020, undergo authentication of Aadhaar number and the date of submission of the application in such cases shall be the date of authentication of the Aadhaar number, or fifteen days from the submission of the application in **Part B** of **FORM GST REG-01** under sub-rule (4), whichever is earlier.".

3. In the said rules, in rule 9, with effect from 21st August, 2020,-

(i) in sub-rule (1), for the proviso, the following provisos shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that where a person, other than a person notified under sub-section (6D) of section 25, fails to undergo authentication of Aadhaar number as specified in sub-rule (4A) of rule 8 or does not opt for authentication of Aadhaar number, the registration shall be granted only after physical verification of the place of business in the presence of the said person, in the manner provided under rule 25:

Provided further that the proper officer may, for reasons to be recorded in writing and with the approval of an officer not below the rank of Joint Commissioner, in lieu of the physical verification of the place of business, carry out the verification of such documents as he may deem fit.";

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(ii) in sub-rule (2), before the Explanation, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely: -

"Provided that where a person, other than a person notified under sub-section (6D) of section 25, fails to undergo authentication of Aadhaar number as specified in sub-rule (4A) of rule 8 or does not opt for authentication of Aadhaar number, the notice in **FORM GST REG-03** may be issued not later than twenty one days from the date of submission of the application.";

(iii) in sub-rule (4), for the word, "shall", the word "may" shall be substituted;

(iv) for sub-rule (5), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely: -

"(5) If the proper officer fails to take any action, -

(a) within a period of three working days from the date of submission of the application in cases where a person successfully undergoes authentication of Aadhaar number or is notified under sub-section (6D) of section 25; or

(b) within the time period prescribed under the proviso to sub-rule (2), in cases where a person, other than a person notified under sub-

section (6D) of section 25, fails to undergo authentication of Aadhaar number as specified in sub-rule (4A) of rule 8; or

(c) within a period of twenty one days from the date of submission of the application in cases where a person does not opt for authentication of Aadhaar number; or

(d) within a period of seven working days from the date of the receipt of the clarification, information or documents furnished by the applicant under sub-rule (2),

the application for grant of registration shall be deemed to have been approved.".

4. In the said rules, in rule 25, with effect from 21st August, 2020, after the words "failure of Aadhaar authentication", the words "or due to not opting for Aadhaar authentication" shall be inserted.

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Note: The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, *vide* notification No. 3/2017-Central Tax, dated the 19th June, 2017, published vide number G.S.R. 610(E), dated the 19th June, 2017 and was last amended *vide* notification No. 60/2020 - Central Tax, dated the 30th July, 2020, published vide number G.S.R. 480(E), dated the 30th July, 2020.