• Hundred percent tax returns will be scrutinised and tax evasion will be history in India.

• Imagine a Tax tracker software which cost government more than Rs 1000 Crore and several years of building it, just to track expenses of all assesses based on big data and then suggest department to pick up cases for scrutiny. That’s what India tax department is going to be implemented.

• Big data Software which can be used to track tax evader is reality for Income Tax department. The Income Tax Department has given access to the software.

• Now if you are travelling foreign county and posting pictures on social media, buying an luxury car and it's beyond your income as per your returns filed, then Income Tax Department can use big data to analyses it and check the mismatch between you're earning and spending. The process can easily use complete trail for even new tax filer. Also Department can prepare a master file having all details and key information about individuals and Corporates.

• The basic idea is to catch the tax evaders and also increase number of people to file returns and pay tax, who are not filing returns. The Insight project will feature an integrated information management system, which will harness machine learning to help take the right step and the right time. It will entail collecting relevant web pages and documents that could be probed.

• India now joins a select league of countries like Belgium, Canada and Australia that are already using big data to keep a check on evasion. It is estimated that in case of Britain launched similar software at estimated cost of 100 million pounds. Since its inception in 2010, the system has prevented the loss of 4.1 billion pounds ($5.4 billion) in revenue. These cases would have mostly remained undetected without cutting-edge analytics.

• The software will ensure 100% Scrutiny of all the returns filed and selection based on thousands of small parameters from which the probability of tax evasion will be Zero.
Exports Finance

1. In order to boost credit to export sector, it has been decided to effect following changes pertaining to export credit.
   (a) Enhance the sanctioned limit, for classification of export credit under PSL, from Rs. 250 million per borrower to Rs. 400 million per borrower.
   (b) Remove the existing criteria of 'units having turnover of up to Rs. 1 billion'

2. The existing guidelines for domestic scheduled commercial banks to classify 'Incremental export credit over corresponding date of the preceding year, upto 2 per cent of ANBC or Credit Equivalent Amount of Off-Balance Sheet Exposure, whichever is higher' under PSL will continue to be applicable subject to the criteria mentioned at (i) above.

3. There is no change in the present instructions in respect of foreign banks.
(RBI/2019-20/66 September 20, 2019)

Export Facilitation

- In order to improve ease of doing business and reduce transaction cost, vide Trade Notice No.12 requirement of physical copy of RCMC has been dispensed with.
- It was decided that the validity of RCMCs will be checked directly from the DGFT’s database as uploaded and updated from time to time by various EPCs.
- DGFT has already provided the facility for exporters to check status of uploading of their RCMCs by their respective EPCs on DGFT’s website.
- This may be assessed at dgft.delhi.nic.in:8100/RCMC proj/rcmcCheck_input.isp.
- An entity requires only one RCMC from its relevant EPC. It can keep on adding any number of businesses afterwards and RCMCs from other EPCs will be optional only.
- If an entity, having RCMC for goods from a particular EPC/FIEO, exports services subsequently, there is no need to obtain second RCMC from SEPC (membership with SEPC in such a case is merely optional).

The future of India is MSME

- Union Minister of Commerce and Industry and Railways Piyush Goyal on Wednesday said the future of India lies in the MSME sector and urged MSME industries to demand government support in development of clusters near ports, availability of land in bulk, common effluent treatment plants, and common testing facilities.
- According to a government press release, the Minister made the statement while giving away the export awards of CAPEXIL (Chemical and Allied Export Promotion Council of India) in New Delhi. Goyal said, "Investing and caring for the environment is an advantageous proposition for everybody, the industry, and citizens, as it helps to create a conducive business climate and acceptability for Indian products worldwide."
- He added that the chemicals and allied sectors are some of the oldest industries in the country. According to him, these sectors now have more potential than what has been tapped, and it is time that the entire sector makes a combined effort to take up new challenges, set higher goals, and aspire for extraordinary results.
- The Commerce and Industry Minister urged the industries to think of ways and means for increased value addition to their products in the export basket.
- The minister added that the CAPEXIL sector industries must embrace new technology and explore new markets, make value addition to the products that are being manufactured.
- Paper and paper products are covered under CAPEXIL.
Economic Reform
The Finance Minister Mrs. Nirmala Sitharaman has made several announcements to revive Indian economy.

- Corporate Tax is slashed down to 25.17 per cent, inclusive of all cess and surcharges.
- For domestic companies, the new tax rate will be applicable from the current fiscal which began on April 1. New provision inserted in the income tax act with effect from fiscal year 2019-20, that allows any domestic company to pay income tax at the rate of 22% subject to condition they will not avail any incentive or exemptions.
- Manufacturing companies set up after October 1 to get option to pay 15% tax. Effective tax rate for new manufacturing firms to be 17.01% inclusive of surcharge & tax.
- The revenue foregone for this move will be Rs 1.45 lakh crore annually.
- The new rates would be “comparable with the lowest tax rates in South Asian region and in South East Asia”.
- Listed companies that have announced buyback before July 5, 2019, tax on buyback of shares will not be charged.
- Higher surcharge will also not apply on capital gains on sale of security including derivatives held by FPIs.
- Enhanced surcharge will not apply to capital gains arising on equity sale or equity-oriented funds liable to STT stabilise flow of funds into capital markets.
- To provide relief to companies availing of concessions and benefits, a MAT relief by reducing it from 18% to 15%.
- CSR 2% spending to include government, PSU incubators and public funded education entities, IITs.

Preferential Certificate of Origin Online

**Step 1**
Welcome Screen for all users (Exporter/ Officer/ Agency/ Admin) https://coo.dgft.gov.in
Kindly Update the IEC details on DGFT portal (specifically mobile number & email id) as each and every basic information regarding exporter required will be fetched from there only. 2. Kindly get ready with the Digital Signature Certificate containing your IEC and name of any listed director in the IEC portal of DGFT.

**Step 2**
For Registered User, enter credentials along with the Captcha and click on login button

**Step 3**
Registered User after login using IEC as Username and Password received on email, gets the welcome screen/ dashboard

**Step 4**
After click on apply for certificate of origin, and fill all the details in the form.

**Step 5**
Keep ready all the necessary documents with digital signed and upload along with the form.

**Step 6**
Click Preview Certificate to View draft CoO or click ‘Save as Draft’ for future changes/editing.

**Step 7**
If all the details are correctly filed then Click on Submit.

**Step 8**
Then Make Payment to initiate payment process.

**Step 9**
After making payment and successful application submission, you will receive application reference no. on your screen and will also be able to see the details of application filed. User will also receive alert in the form of email and SMS. The same also is informed to the officer where the application is filed.

**Step 10**
Click on “List of Draft Application”, which takes to all the application saved as draft as mention in Step 6. From here an Exporter can change/edit the application by clicking on EDIT.

**Step 11**
Click on “List of Pending Payment Application” as mentioned at Step 7, where all an Exporter can make the payment of submitted application.

**Step 12**
Click on “List of Submitted Application”, where you can check the status of application.
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- All India Federation of Master Printers have a project of preparing handbooks on different subjects related to exports and imports, for the benefit of the members. The first book on International Marketing was launched in the last General Meeting at Hotel Hyatt Regency, Pune. This book is prepared under the guidance of Mr. Manoj Mehta, the Chairman of Export Promotion Committee. The book is authored by Mr. Ajit Shah, Export Import Consultant, Mumbai.

- ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems has secured approval from DNV GL to integrate additive manufactured parts on ships and submarines. The company obtained approval after identifying a need for parts with acceptance test certification.

  ThyssenKrupp developed the 3D manufacturing procedures in collaboration with ThyssenKrupp Tech Center Additive Manufacturing. With the additive manufacturing certificate from DNV GL, ThyssenKrupp Tech Center Additive Manufacturing becomes an approved supplier of 3D printed parts for maritime and general industrial applications.

  In addition, DNV GL awarded certification for the acceptance process and associated product information. 3D printing technology is expected to reduce lead times, costs, and stock requirements. Together we are putting innovative solutions into our submarines and ships, setting new standards for the navy of the future.


- The MSMEs are wealth creators as well as job creators and very important to India’s economy, as 40 percent of the exports from country are through them. Now the target is to increase it to 50 percent to move towards a $ 5-trillion economy, said Mr. Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister for Road, Transport and Highways, MSMEs. Our federation is also putting all efforts to promote exports among our members.
Indirect Tax dispute resolution scheme

- Businesses can now settle their pending disputes relating to central excise duty and service tax within four months starting 1 September under the terms notified by the government.
- The finance ministry notified a scheme to settle the indirect tax disputes in the pre-GST era, named Sabka Vishwas legacy dispute resolution scheme, which was announced by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman in the union budget for FY20.
- The scheme offers attractive terms to settle disputes that are at different stages and also offers amnesty to those who wish to disclose any previously undisclosed tax liability and pay the tax amount involved without any penalty or prosecution.
- An official statement said the government expects a large number of taxpayers to sign up for the scheme and close their pending disputes.
- The amnesty offers an opportunity to the taxpayers to pay the outstanding tax and be free of any other consequence under the law. “
- The most attractive aspect of the Scheme is that it provides substantial relief in the tax dues for all categories of cases as well as full waiver of interest, fine and penalty.
- In all these cases, there would be no other liability of interest, fine or penalty.
- There is also a complete amnesty from prosecution," said the statement.
- Reducing tax litigation and improving ease of doing business is a priority for the government at a time businesses are facing an economic downturn.
- For all the cases pending in adjudication or appeal—in any forum—the scheme offers a relief of 70% from the duty demand if it is Rs. 50 lakh or less and 50% if it is more than Rs. 50 lakh.
- The same relief is available for cases under investigation and audit where the duty involved is quantified and communicated to the party or admitted before 30 June, 2019.
- In cases of confirmed duty demand, where there is no appeal pending, the relief offered is 60% of the confirmed duty amount if the same is Rs. 50 lakh or less and 40% if the confirmed duty amount exceeds Rs. 50 lakh.
- In cases of voluntary disclosure, the person availing of the scheme will have to pay only the full amount of disclosed duty.
- The statement said that since the idea is to free as large a segment of the taxpayers from legacy taxes as possible, the relief given is substantial and that it is tailored to benefit a large number of small taxpayers.
- The scheme would continue till 31 December 2019.
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