

GST UPDATE

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Citation:	M/s MANSOORI ENTERPRISES - 2024 (2) TMI 1183				
Court:	Hon'ble Allahabad High Court	Date of Judgement:	23rd February 2024		
Law:	Goods and Service Tax				
Topic:	Assessment – Monetary Jurisdiction of the Proper Officer				
Facts of the Case:	In the present writ petition the petitioner challenged the order passed by				
	the Superintendent under Section 73 of the CGST Act, disallowing ITC for an				
	amount of Rs. 16,24,247				
	Petitioner submits that the Superintendent did not have jurisdiction to pass				
	such an order. Considering the fact that the Department themselves have				
	issued Circular No. 31/05/2018-GST dated 09.02.2018 assigning the				
	jurisdiction to various authorities in relation to the maximum amount of				
	Central Tax not paid or short paid or erroneously refunded or input tax credit				
	of central tax wrongly availed or utilized.				
	It was stated that according to the circular dated 09.02.2018, power of the				
	Superintendent, Central Goods and Service Tax & Central Excise is limited to				
	the matter not exceeding Rs. 10,00,000/- and in the present case the amount				
	involved being more than Rs. 16,00,000/- and hence, the impugned order				
	passed by it is without jurisdiction				
Held:	In the present case, the respondents have disallowed ITC for an amount of				
	Rs. 16,24,246.88 under Section 73 of the CGST Act, 2017. Whereas, as per				
	the circular dated 09.02.2018, the Superintendent has the power to issue				
	show cause notice / orders where the amount of tax is upto Rs. 10,00,000.				
	Which in this case has been interpreted to be Rs. 10 Lakhs CGST and Rs. 10				
	Lakhs SGST, totaling to Rs. 20 lakhs which is not the right position.				
	Hence, the ITC of Rs. 16,24,246.88 will be disallowed only on the order of				
	Deputy or Assistant Commissioner of Central Tax because only they have the				

power of issuance of show cause notices and passing of orders, for the monetary limit of Above, Rs. 10 lakhs and not exceeding Rs. 1 crore.

For the sake of convenience of the reader, we are reproducing the monetary limits as per the Circular No. 31/05/2018 – GST dated 09.02.2018:

Officer of Central Tax	Monetary Limit for issuance of show cause notice / passing of order under Section 73	Monetary Limit for issuance of show cause notice / passing of order under Section 73 / 74 -	Monetary Limit for issuance of show cause notice / passing of order under Section 73 / 74 – CGST + IGST
Superintendent	Upto Rs. 10 Lakhs	Upto Rs. 20 Lakhs	Upto Rs. 20 Lakhs
Deputy /	Above Rs. 10 Lakhs	Above Rs. 20 Lakhs	Above Rs. 20 Lakhs
Assistant	Not exceeding Rs. 1	Not exceeding Rs. 2	Not exceeding Rs. 2
Commissioner	Crore	Crore	Crore
Additional / Joint	Above Rs. 1 crore	Above Rs. 2 crores	Above Rs. 2 crores
Commissioner			