

IMPLEMENTATION OF SIMPLIFIED GST REGISTRATION SCHEME UNDER RULE 14A OF THE CGST RULES, 2017

Introduction

In pursuance of Rule 14A of the Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST) Rules, 2017, a Simplified GST Registration Scheme has been introduced to reduce compliance burden and enhance ease of doing business for small taxpayers.

Eligibility Criteria

As per Rule 14A, any person who, on self-assessment, expects that their total output tax liability on supplies made to registered persons will not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh per month (including CGST, SGST/UTGST, IGST, and Compensation Cess) shall be eligible to register under this scheme.

Important Limitation: A person already registered under this rule in a State or Union Territory cannot obtain another registration under Rule 14A in the same State or Union Territory against the same PAN.

Registration Process on GST Portal

The following features have been implemented on the GST Portal for registration under Rule 14A:

- Application Procedure:** While applying for registration in FORM GST REG-01, applicants must select "Yes" under the field "Option for Registration under Rule 14A."
- Aadhaar Authentication:** Aadhaar authentication is mandatory for:
 - The Primary Authorized Signatory, and
 - At least one Promoter/Partner
- Timeline for Grant of Registration:** Registration shall be granted electronically within three working days from the date of generation of the Application Reference Number (ARN), subject to successful Aadhaar authentication.

Conditions for Withdrawal from the Scheme

Taxpayers opting for registration under Rule 14A who intend to withdraw from the scheme at a later stage must fulfil the following conditions:

- Return Filing Compliance:** All returns due from the effective date of registration up to the date of filing the withdrawal application must be filed.
- Minimum Filing Period:** The taxpayer must have filed:
 - Returns for a minimum period of three months, if applying for withdrawal before 1st April 2026; or

- Returns for a minimum period of one tax period, if applying for withdrawal on or after 1st April 2026.

- No Pending Applications:** No amendment or cancellation application for registration availed under Rule 14A should be pending at the time of withdrawal.
- No Ongoing Proceedings:** No proceedings under Section 29 (cancellation of registration) for registration availed under Rule 14A should be initiated or pending.

Taxpayers are advised to carefully consider these conditions before opting for registration under Rule 14A and plan accordingly if they anticipate the need to withdraw from the scheme in the future.

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MANDATORY FURNISHING OF BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS UNDER RULE 10A

Regulatory Requirement

As per Rule 10A of the CGST Rules, 2017, all taxpayers (except those registered under TCS, TDS, or *suo-moto* registrations) are required to furnish their bank account details within the following timelines:

- Within 30 days from the date of grant of registration, or
- Before filing details of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1 or Invoice Furnishing Facility (IFF), whichever is earlier.

Action Required

The enforcement provisions relating to Rule 10A will be implemented on the GST Portal shortly.

Taxpayers who have not yet furnished their bank account details are hereby advised to update the same at the earliest to avoid:

- Suspension of their GST Registration
- Disruption of business activities

How to Update Bank Account Details

Bank account details can be added or updated through a non-core amendment on the GST Portal using the following navigation path:

Services > Registration > Amendment of Registration Non-Core Fields

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