

Info Capsule

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❖ Indirect Tax

Goods and Services Tax

• Pre-packaged food under GST, 12% tax on hotels with tariff up to Rs 1,000 (June 29, 2022)

Bringing pre-packaged and labelled food items such as wheat flour, puffed rice, curd/ lassi / buttermilk and paneer under the GST net, withdrawing exemption for hotels with rent below Rs 1,000 a day and correction of inverted duty structure for host of items such as edible oils, coal, LED lamps, printing ink, knives and solar water heaters are learnt to have been approved by the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council on the first day of its 47th meeting on June 28, 2022.

For details:

<https://indianexpress.com/article/business/economy/pre-packaged-food-under-gst-12-tax-on-hotels-with-tariff-up-to-rs-1000-7997241/>



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❖ Securities Laws & Capital Markets

SEBI News

• SEBI revises threshold for adjustment in derivative contracts post dividend (June 28, 2022)

Capital markets regulator SEBI came out with new adjustment rules for dividends in Futures and Options (F&O) scrips. "It has been decided that the adjustment in derivative contracts shall be carried out in cases where dividends declared are at or above 2 per cent of the market value of underlying stock," SEBI said in a circular. The threshold has been revised from 5 per cent and above to 2 per cent and above. Currently, dividends that are below 5 per cent of the market value of the underlying stock are deemed ordinary dividends and no adjustment in the strike price is made for such dividends.

For details:

https://www.business-standard.com/article/markets/sebi-revises-threshold-for-adjustment-in-derivative-contracts-post-dividend-122062801014_1.html

• SEBI penalises Bharti Infratel for flouting regulatory norms (June 28, 2022)

Capital markets regulator SEBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 1 lakh on **Bharti Infratel**, now known as Indus Towers, for flouting rules pertaining to employee stock option schemes. In its order, SEBI found that Bharti Infratel violated the provisions of the SBEB (Share Based Employee Benefits) by not appropriating the excess 5,32,862 shares of the company within the stipulated timeline of March 31, 2017.

For details:

<https://www.moneycontrol.com/news/business/markets/sebi-penalises-bharti-infratel-for-flouting-regulatory-norms-8749241.html>

❖ **Technology and Automation**

CERT-In extends new privacy rules for VPN providers to September 25 (June 29, 2022)

The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has given Virtual Private Network (VPN) providers and cloud service operators an extension of three months to comply with its newly drafted VPN rules. This comes as VPN providers such as SurfShark, NordVPN, and ExpressVPN removed their India servers citing a threat to the anonymity and privacy of users. However, the deadline now has been extended to September 25, the Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) said in a press statement.

For details:

<https://indianexpress.com/article/technology/tech-news-technology/cert-in-extends-new-privacy-rules-for-vpn-providers-to-september-25-7996158/>

❖ **Business and Economic News**

• **Union Education Secretary calls for incorporating study of PM Gati Shakti scheme in academic programs (June 28, 2022)**

Union Education Secretary Shri K. Sanjay Murthy called for incorporating study of PM Gati Shakti scheme in academic programs. In this context, he said that the need of the hour is that academic institutions realise the importance of this Government of India initiative. Shri Murthy said on June 28, 2022 that academic institutions have the power to play a significant role in bringing change through quality knowledge dissemination and relevant researches in logistics and infrastructure sectors.

For details:

<https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1837613>

• **SIAC rejects Future Group's plea to terminate the arbitration proceedings (June 28, 2022)**

The Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) on June 28, 2022 rejected the Future Group's plea to terminate the arbitration proceedings initiated by e-commerce major amazon against the Future Retail's deal with Reliance Industries.

For details:

https://www.business-standard.com/article/companies/siac-rejects-future-group-s-plea-to-terminate-the-arbitration-proceedings-122062801502_1.html

❖ Terminology for today

Wisdom of Crowds

Wisdom of crowds is the idea that large groups of people are collectively smarter than individual experts when it comes to problem-solving, decision-making, innovating, and predicting. The idea is that the viewpoint of an individual can inherently be biased, whereas taking the average knowledge of a crowd can result in eliminating the bias or noise to produce a clearer and more coherent result.

❖ Market Watch

Stock Market Indices as on 29.06.2022

S & P BSE Sensex	53026.97 (-134.31)
Nifty 50	15799.10 (-32.95)

Foreign Exchange Rates as on 28.06.2022

(<https://www.geojit.com/currency-futures>)

INR / 1 USD	INR / 1 EUR	INR / 1 GBP	INR / 1 JPY
78.63	82.98	96.17	0.58

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