

sub-section (1) of section 93 of the CGST Act provides that where a person, liable to pay tax, interest or penalty under the CGST Act, dies, then the person who continues business after his death, shall be liable to pay tax, interest or penalty due from such person under this Act. It is therefore **clarified** that the transferee / successor shall be liable to pay any tax, interest or any penalty due from the transferor in cases of transfer of business due to death of sole proprietor.

- d. **Manner of transfer of credit:** As per sub-rule (1) of rule 41 of the CGST Rules, a registered person shall file **FORM GST ITC-02** electronically on the common portal with a request for transfer of unutilized input tax credit lying in his electronic credit ledger to the transferee, in the event of sale, merger, de-merger, amalgamation, lease or *transfer or change in the ownership of business for any reason*. In case of transfer of business on account of death of sole proprietor, the transferee / successor shall file **FORM GST ITC-02** in respect of the registration which is required to be cancelled on account of death of the sole proprietor. **FORM GST ITC-02** is required to be filed by the transferee/successor before filing the application for cancellation of such registration. Upon acceptance by the transferee / successor, the un-utilized input tax credit specified in **FORM GST ITC-02** shall be credited to his electronic credit ledger.

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**Clarification regarding exercise of option to  
pay tax under notification No. 2/2019- CT(R) dt 07.03.2019**

**Circular No. 97/16/2019-GST**

**5th April, 2019**

Attention is invited to notification No. 02/2019-Central Tax (Rate) dated 07.03.2019 (hereinafter referred to as "the said notification") which prescribes rate of central tax of 3% on first supplies of goods or services or both upto an aggregate turnover of fifty lakh rupees made on or after the 1st day of April in any financial year, by a registered person whose aggregate annual turnover in the preceding financial year was fifty lakh rupees or below. The said notification, as amended by notification No. 09/2019-Central Tax (Rate) dated 29.03.2019, provides that Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as "the said rules"), as applicable to a person paying tax under section 10 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act") shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to a person paying tax under the said notification.

2. In order to clarify the issue and to ensure uniformity in the implementation of the provisions of the law across field formations, the Board, in exercise of its powers conferred by section 168 (1) of the said Act, hereby clarifies the issues raised as below:-

- <sup>2</sup>[(i) a registered person who wants to opt for payment of central tax @ 3% by availing the benefit of the said notification, may do so by filing intimation in the manner specified in sub-rule 3 of rule 3 of the said rules in **FORM GST CMP-02** by selecting the category of registered person as "Any other supplier eligible for composition levy" as listed at Sl. No. 5(iii) of the said form, **latest by 30th September, 2019**. Such person shall also furnish a statement in **FORM GST ITC-03** in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (3) of rule 3 of the said rules.]



- (ii) any person who applies for registration and who wants to opt for payment of central tax @ 3% by availing the benefit of the said notification, if eligible, may do so by indicating the option at serial no. 5 and 6.1(iii) of FORM GST REG-01 at the time of filing of application for registration.
- (iii) the option of payment of tax by availing the benefit of the said notification in respect of any place of business in any State or Union territory shall be deemed to be applicable in respect of all other places of business registered on the same Permanent Account Number.
- (iv) the option to pay tax by availing the benefit of the said notification would be effective from the beginning of the financial year or from the date of registration in cases where new registration has been obtained during the financial year.

3. It may be noted that the provisions contained in Chapter II of the said Rules shall mutatis mutandis apply to persons paying tax by availing the benefit of the said notification, except to the extent specified in para 2 above.

**Notes:**

1. Corrected vide Corrigendum GST No. CBEC/20/16/4/2018-GST (Pt. I) dated 01-07-2019 before it was read as  
“(i) a registered person who wants to opt for payment of central tax @ 3% by availing the benefit of the said notification, may do so by filing intimation in the manner specified in sub-rule 3 of rule 3 of the said rules in **FORM GST CMP-02** by selecting the category of registered person as “Any other supplier eligible for composition levy” as listed at Sl. No. 5(iii) of the said form, latest by 30th April, 2019. Such person shall also furnish a statement in **FORM GST ITC-03** in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (3) of rule 3 of the said rules.”
2. Corrected vide Corrigendum dated 29-07-2019 before it was read as  
“1[(i) a registered person who wants to opt for payment of central tax @ 3% by availing the benefit of the said notification, may do so by filing intimation in the manner specified in sub-rule 3 of rule 3 of the said rules in **FORM GST CMP-02** by selecting the category of registered person as “Any other supplier eligible for composition levy” as listed at Sl. No. 5(iii) of the said form, latest by **31st July, 2019**. Such person shall also furnish a statement in **FORM GST ITC-03** in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (3) of rule 3 of the said rules.]”

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### Clarification in respect of utilization of input tax credit under GST

**Circular No. 98/17/2019-GST**

**23rd April 2019**

Section 49 was amended and Section 49A and Section 49B were inserted vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Act, 2018 [hereinafter referred to as the CGST (Amendment) Act]. The amended provisions came into effect from 1st February 2019.

2. Various representations have been received from the trade and industry regarding challenges being faced by taxpayers due to bringing into force of section 49A of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the CGST Act). The issue has arisen on account of order of utilization of input tax credit of integrated tax in a particular order, resulting in accumulation of input tax credit for one kind of tax (say State tax) in