- (i) in the case of search, on the conclusion of search as recorded in the last *panchnama* drawn in relation to any person in whose case the warrant of authorisation has been issued, irrespective of whether or not any seizure is recorded in such *panchnama*;
- (ii) in the case of requisition, on the actual receipt of the books of account or other documents or assets by the Authorised Officer; and
- (g) "undisclosed income" includes—

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- (i) any money, bullion, jewellery, virtual digital asset or other valuable article or thing or any expenditure or any income based on any entry in the books of account or other documents or transactions, where such money, bullion, jewellery, virtual digital asset, valuable article, thing, entry in the books of account or other document or transaction represents wholly or partly income or property which has not been or would not have been disclosed for the purposes of this Act, in respect of the block period; or
- (*ii*) any expense, exemption, deduction or allowance claimed under this Act which is found to be incorrect, in respect of the block period.

#### CHAPTER XVII

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO CERTAIN PERSONS

A.—Association of persons, firm, Hindu undivided family, etc.

## 1.—Legal representatives

**302**. (1) Where a person dies, his legal representative shall be liable to pay any sum which the deceased would have been liable to pay if he had not died, in the like manner and to the same extent as the deceased.

Legal representative.

- 25 (2) For the purposes of making an assessment (including an assessment, reassessment or recomputation under section 279) of the income of the deceased and for the purpose of levying any sum in the hands of the legal representative as per the provisions of sub-section (1), any proceeding—
  - (a) taken against the deceased before his death shall be deemed to have been taken against the legal representative and may be continued against the legal representative from the stage at which it stood on the date of the death of the deceased;
  - (b) which could have been taken against the deceased if he had survived, may be taken against the legal representative; and
    - (c) all the provisions of this Act shall apply accordingly.
  - (3) The legal representative of the deceased shall be deemed to be an assessee for the purposes of this Act.
  - (4) Subject to the provisions of sub-sections (5), (6) and (7), the liability of a legal representative referred to in sub-section (I) shall be limited to the extent to which the estate of the deceased is capable of meeting the liability.
  - (5) Every legal representative shall be personally liable for any sum payable by him in his capacity as legal representative if, while such liability remains undischarged, he creates a charge on or disposes of or parts with any assets of the estate of the deceased, which are in, or may come into, his possession.
  - (6) The liability of a legal representative referred to in sub-section (5) shall be limited to the value of the asset so charged, disposed of or parted with.

(7) The provisions of sections 304(2) and (5) and 305, so far as may be and to the extent to which they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section, apply in relation to a legal representative.

2.—Representative assessees—General provisions

Representative assessee.

- **303**. (1) For the purposes of this Act, "representative assessee" means—
- (a) in respect of the income of a non-resident specified in section 9, the agent of the non-resident, including a person who is treated as an agent under section 306;
- (b) in respect of the income of a minor or a person who is mentally ill or of unsound mind, the guardian or manager who is entitled to receive or is 10 in receipt of such income on behalf of such minor or a person who is mentally ill or of unsound mind;
- (c) in respect of income which the Court of Wards, the Administrator-General, the Official Trustee or any receiver or manager (including any person, by whatever name called, who in fact manages 15 property on behalf of another) appointed by or under any order of a court. receives or is entitled to receive, on behalf or for the benefit of any person, such Court of Wards, Administrator-General, Official Trustee, receiver or manager:
- (d) in respect of income which a trustee appointed under a trust 20 declared by a duly executed instrument in writing whether testamentary or otherwise (including any wakf deed which is valid under the Mussalman Wakf Validating Act, 1913) receives or is entitled to receive on behalf or for the benefit of any person, such trustee or trustees;

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- (e) in respect of income which a trustee appointed under an oral trust 25 receives or is entitled to receive on behalf or for the benefit of any person, such trustee or trustees.
- (2) For the purposes of sub-section (1)(d), a trust which is not declared by a duly executed instrument in writing (including any wakf deed which is valid under the Mussalman Wakf Validating Act, 1913) shall be deemed to be a trust declared 30 6 of 1913. by a duly executed instrument in writing if a statement in writing, signed by the trustee or trustees, setting out the purpose or purposes of the trust, particulars as to the trustee or trustees, the beneficiary or beneficiaries and the trust property, is forwarded to the Assessing Officer,-

- (a) where the trust has been declared before the 1st June, 1981, within 35 three months from that day; and
- (b) in any other case, within three months from the date of declaration of the trust.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-section (1)(e), "oral trust" means a trust which is not declared by a duly executed instrument in writing (including any wakf deed 40 which is valid under the Mussalman Wakf Validating Act, 1913) and which is not deemed under sub-section (2) to be a trust declared by a duly executed instrument in writing.

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(4) Every representative assessee shall be deemed to be an assessee for the purposes of this Act.

**304**. (1) Every representative assessee, as regards the income in respect of which he is a representative assessee, shall be subject to the same duties, responsibilities and liabilities as if the income were income received by or accruing to or in favour of him beneficially and for this purpose,—

Liability of representative

- (a) the representative assessee shall be liable to assessment and any other proceedings under this Act, in his own name in respect of that income and any such proceedings shall be deemed to be made upon him in his representative capacity only; and
- (b) the tax on such income shall, subject to the other provisions contained in this Chapter, be levied upon and recovered from the representative assessee in like manner and to the same extent as it would be leviable upon and recoverable from the person represented by him.
- (2) If any person, in respect of any income is assessable under this Chapter in the capacity of a representative assessee, then he shall not, in respect of that income, be assessed under any other provisions of this Act.
  - (3) Irrespective of the provisions of this Chapter, the Assessing Officer may directly assess the person on whose behalf or for whose benefit income therein referred to is receivable, or may recover from such person the tax payable in respect of such income.
  - (4) If only part of the income of a trust is chargeable under this Act, then the proportion of income receivable by a beneficiary from such trust derived from the chargeable part shall be determined as follows:—

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A = the chargeable part of the income of the trust;

B =the whole income of the trust; and

C = the income receivable by the beneficiary from the trust.

- 25 (5) The Assessing Officer shall have the same remedies in the same manner against all property of any kind vested in or under the control or management of any representative assessee as he would have against the property of any person liable to pay any tax, whether the demand is raised against the representative assessee or against the beneficiary direct.
  - **305**. (1) Every representative assessee who, as such, pays any sum under this Act, shall be entitled to recover the sum so paid from the person on whose behalf it is paid, or to retain out of any moneys that may be in his possession or may come to him in his representative capacity, an amount equal to the sum so paid.
- Right of representative assessee to recover tax paid.
- (2) Any representative assessee, or any person who apprehends that he may be assessed as a representative assessee, may retain out of any money payable by him to the person on whose behalf he is liable to pay tax (herein referred to as the principal), a sum equal to his estimated liability under this Chapter.
  - (3) In the event of any disagreement between such principal and such representative assessee or person with regard to the amount to be so retained as referred to in sub-section (2), such representative assessee or person may secure from the Assessing Officer a certificate stating the amount to be so retained pending final settlement of the liability, and the certificate so obtained shall be his warrant for retaining that amount.
- (4) The amount recoverable from such representative assessee or person shall not exceed the amount specified in such certificate, except to the extent to which such representative assessee or person may at such time have in his hands additional assets of the principal.

3.—Representative assesses—Special cases

Who may be regarded as agent.

- **306**. (1) For the purposes of this Act, "agent", in relation to a non-resident, includes—
  - (a) any person in India—
    - (i) who is employed by or on behalf of the non-resident; or
    - (ii) who has any business connection with the non-resident; or

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- (iii) from or through whom the non-resident is in receipt of any income, whether directly or indirectly; or
  - (iv) who is the trustee of the non-resident;
- (b) any other person who, whether a resident or non-resident, has  $^{10}$  acquired by means of a transfer, a capital asset in India.
- (2) A broker in India who, in respect of any transactions, does not deal directly with or on behalf of a non-resident principal, but deals with or through a non-resident broker shall not be deemed to be an agent under this section, in respect of such transactions, if the following conditions are fulfilled:—
  - (a) the transactions are carried on in the ordinary course of business through the first-mentioned broker; and
  - (b) the non-resident broker is carrying on such transactions in the ordinary course of his business and not as a principal.
- (3) A person shall not be treated as the agent of a non-resident unless he has 20 had an opportunity of being heard by the Assessing Officer as to his liability to be treated as such.
- (4) In this section, "business connection" shall have the meaning assigned to it in section 9(8)(b).
- **307**. (1) Subject to the other provisions of this section, the income or any part thereof, in respect of the person mentioned in sections 303(1)(c) and (d) shall be chargeable to tax at the maximum marginal rate, if—
  - (a) such income or such part thereof is not specifically receivable on behalf or for the benefit of any one person; or
  - (b) the individual shares of the persons on whose behalf or for whose 30 benefit such income or such part thereof is receivable are indeterminate or unknown.
- (2) The income or any part thereof as referred to in sub-section (1), shall be chargeable to tax at the rate applicable to an association of persons, if,—
  - (a) none of the beneficiaries has any other income chargeable under 35 this Act exceeding the maximum amount not chargeable to tax in case of an association of persons, or is a beneficiary under any other trust; or
  - (b) such income or part of such income is receivable under a trust declared by any person by will and such trust is the only trust declared by him; or
  - (c) such income or part of such income is receivable under a trust 40 created before the 1st March, 1970, by a non-testamentary instrument and the Assessing Officer is satisfied, having regard to all the circumstances existing at the relevant time, that the trust was created bona fide—
    - (i) exclusively for the benefit of the relatives of the settlor; or

Charge of tax where share of beneficiaries unknown (*ii*) exclusively for the benefit of the members of such family, where the settlor is a Hindu undivided family,

in circumstances where such relatives or members were mainly dependent on the settlor for their support and maintenance; or

- (d) such income is receivable by the trustees on behalf of a provident fund, superannuation fund, gratuity fund, pension fund or any other fund created *bona fide* by a person carrying on a business or profession exclusively for the benefit of persons employed in such business or profession.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (4), where the income in respect of the person mentioned in section 303(I)(d) consists of, or includes, profits and gains of business, tax shall be charged at the maximum marginal rate on the whole of the income.
  - (4) Where the profits and gains referred to in sub-section (3) are receivable under a trust declared by any person by will exclusively for the benefit of any relative dependent on him for support and maintenance, and such trust is the only trust so declared by him, tax shall be charged at the rate applicable to an association of persons.

### (5) For the purposes of this section,—

- (a) such income or any part thereof shall be deemed as being not specifically receivable on behalf or for the benefit of any one person unless the person on whose behalf or for whose benefit such income or such part thereof is receivable during the tax year is expressly stated in the order of the court or the instrument of trust or wakf deed, as the case may be, and is identifiable as such on the date of such order, instrument or deed;
- (b) the individual shares of the persons on whose behalf or for whose benefit such income or such part thereof is received shall be deemed to be indeterminate or unknown unless the individual shares of the persons on whose behalf or for whose benefit such income or such part thereof is receivable, are expressly stated in the order of the court or the instrument of trust or wakf deed and are ascertainable as such on the date of such order, instrument or deed.
- **308**. (1) The income of the person appointed under an oral trust as mentioned in section 303(1)(e) shall be chargeable to tax at the maximum marginal rate, irrespective of anything contained in any other provision of this Act.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "oral trust" shall have the meaning assigned to it in section 303(3).

## 4.—Association of persons and body of individuals

- **309**. (1) For the purposes of this section, sections 310 and 311, an association of persons or body of individuals shall not include a company or a co-operative society or a society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, or under any law corresponding to that Act in force in any part of India.
- (2) In computing the total income of an assessee who is a member of an association of persons or a body of individuals wherein the shares of the members are determinate and known, the share of a member in the income or loss of such association or body shall be computed in the following manner,—
  - (a) any interest, salary, bonus, commission or remuneration, by whatever name called, paid to any member in respect of the tax year shall be deducted from the total income of the association or body and the balance ascertained and apportioned among the members in the proportions in which they are entitled to share in the income of the association or body;

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- (b) the interest, salary, bonus, commission or remuneration referred to in clause (a), shall be,—
  - (*i*) added to the apportioned amount referred to in clause (*a*), if such apportioned amount is a profit; or
  - (ii) adjusted against the apportioned amount referred to in 5 clause (a), if such apportioned amount is a loss,

and the resultant amount shall be treated as the share of the member in the income of such association or body.

- (3) The share of a member in the income or loss of the association or body, as computed under sub-section (2), shall, for the purposes of assessment, be apportioned under the various heads of income in the same manner in which the income or loss of the association or body has been determined under each head of income.
- (4) Any interest paid by a member on capital borrowed by him for the purposes of investment in the association or body shall, in computing his share chargeable under the head "Profits and gains of business or profession" in respect of his share in the income of the association or body, be deducted from his share.
- (5) For the purposes of this section, "paid" means actually paid or incurred according to the method of accounting upon the basis of which the profits or gains are computed under the head "Profits and gains of business or profession".
- **310**. (*I*) Income-tax shall not be payable by an assessee (who is a member of an association of persons or body of individuals) in respect of his share in the income of the association of persons or body of individuals computed in the manner provided in section 309, except in a case referred to in sub-section (2).
- (2) Where no income-tax is chargeable on the total income of the association of persons or body of individuals, the share of a member computed as aforesaid 25 shall be chargeable to tax as part of his total income.
  - (3) Where no income-tax is payable by an assessee under sub-section (1),—
  - (a) if the association of persons or body of individuals is chargeable to tax on its total income at the maximum marginal rate or any higher rate under any of the provisions of this Act, the share of a member computed as aforesaid shall not be included in his total income;
  - (b) in any other case, the share of a member computed as aforesaid shall form part of his total income.
- **311**. (*I*) Where the individual shares of the members of an association of persons or body of individuals in the whole or any part of the income of such  $_{35}$  association or body are indeterminate or unknown,—
  - (a) tax shall be charged on the total income of the association or body at the maximum marginal rate; or
  - (b) where the total income of any member of such association or body is chargeable to tax at a rate which is higher than the maximum marginal 40 rate, tax shall be charged on the total income of the association or body at such higher rate.
- (2) Where the individual shares of the members of an association of persons or body of individuals in the whole or any part of the income of such association or body are determinate or known,—

Share of member of association of persons or body of individuals in income of association or body.

Charge of tax where shares of members in association of persons or body of individuals unknown, etc.

- (a) the total income of any member thereof for the tax year (excluding his share from such association or body) exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to tax in the case of that member under the Finance Act of the relevant year, tax shall be charged on the total income of the association or body at the maximum marginal rate;
- (b) any member or members thereof is or are chargeable to tax at a rate or rates which is or are higher than the maximum marginal rate,—
  - (i) tax shall be charged on that portion or portions of the total income of the association or body which is or are relatable to the share or shares of such member or members at such higher rate or rates, as the case may be; and
  - (ii) the balance of the total income of the association or body shall be taxed at the maximum marginal rate.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, the individual shares of the members of an association of persons or body of individuals in the whole or any part of the income of such association or body shall be deemed to be indeterminate or unknown if such shares (in relation to the whole or any part of such income) are indeterminate or unknown on the date of formation of such association or body or at any time thereafter.

20 5.—Executors

Executor.

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- **312**. (1) The income of the estate of a deceased person shall be chargeable to tax in the hands of the executor as an individual, if there is only one executor, or as an association of persons, if the executors are more than one.
- (2) The executor shall be deemed to be resident or non-resident according to the residential status of the deceased person for the tax year in which his death took place.
  - (3) For the purposes of this section, "executor" includes an administrator or other person administering the estate of the deceased person.
- (4) The assessment of an executor under this section shall be made separately from any assessment that may be made on him in respect of his own income.
  - (5) Separate assessments shall be made under this section on the total income of each completed tax year or part thereof as is included in the period from the date of the death to the date of complete distribution to the beneficiaries of the estate according to their several interests.
  - (6) In computing the total income of any tax year under this section, any income of the estate of that tax year distributed to, or applied to the benefit of, any specific legatee of the estate during that tax year shall be excluded; but the income so excluded, shall be included in the total income of the tax year of such specific legatee.
  - (7) The provisions of section 305 shall, so far as may be, apply in the case of an executor in respect of tax paid or payable by him, as they apply in the case of a representative assessee.

## 6.—Succession to business or profession

**313**. (1) Where a person carrying on any business or profession (herein referred to as the predecessor) has been succeeded therein by any other person (herein referred to as the successor) who continues to carry on that business or profession,—

Succession to business or profession otherwise than on death.

- (a) the predecessor shall be assessed in respect of the income of the tax year in which the succession took place up to the date of succession;
- (b) the successor shall be assessed in respect of the income of the tax year after the date of succession.
- (2) Irrespective of anything contained in sub-section (1), when the 5 predecessor cannot be found, the assessment of the income of the tax year in which the succession took place up to the date of succession and of the tax year preceding that year shall be made on the successor in like manner and to the same extent as it would have been made on the predecessor, and all the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, apply accordingly.
- (3) Irrespective of anything contained in sub-sections (1) and (2), where there is succession, the assessment or reassessment or any other proceedings, made or initiated on the predecessor during the course of pendency of such succession, shall be deemed to have been made or initiated on the successor and all the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, apply accordingly.
- (4) When any sum payable under this section in respect of the income of such business or profession assessed on the predecessor,—
  - (a) for the tax year in which the succession took place up to the date of succession; or
- (b) for the tax year preceding the year in which the succession took place, 20 cannot be recovered from him, the Assessing Officer shall record a finding to that effect and the sum payable by the predecessor shall thereafter be payable by and recoverable from the successor, and the successor shall be entitled to recover from the predecessor any sum so paid.
- (5) Without prejudice to the provisions of this section, where any business or 25 profession carried on by a Hindu undivided family is succeeded to, and simultaneously with the succession or after the succession there has been a partition of the joint family property between the members or groups of members, the tax due in respect of the income of the business or profession succeeded to, up to the date of succession, shall be assessed and recovered in the manner provided in section 315. 30

### (6) In this section,—

- (a) "income" includes any gain accruing from the transfer, in any manner, of the business or profession as a result of the succession; and
- (b) "pendency" means the period commencing from the date of filing of application for such succession of business before the High Court or tribunal or 35 the date of admission of an application for corporate insolvency resolution by the Adjudicating Authority as defined in section 5(1) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 and ending with the date on which the order of such High Court or tribunal or such Adjudicating Authority, is received by the Principal Commissioner or the Commissioner.

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**314**. (1) Irrespective of anything to the contrary contained in section 263, if prior to the date of order in respect of business reorganisation, any return of income has been furnished under the provisions of the said section by an entity for any tax year to which such order applies, the successor shall furnish, within six months from the end of the month in which the order was issued, a modified 45 return in such form and manner, as prescribed, in accordance with and limited to the said order.

Effect of order of tribunal or court in respect of business reorganisation.

- (2) Where the assessment or reassessment proceedings for a tax year to which the order in respect of the business reorganisation applies,—
  - (a) have been completed on the date of furnishing of the modified return as per the provisions of sub-section (1), the Assessing Officer shall pass an order modifying the total income of the relevant tax year determined in such assessment or reassessment, in accordance with such order and taking into account the modified return so furnished;
  - (b) are pending on the date of furnishing of the modified return as per sub-section (1), the Assessing Officer shall pass an order assessing or reassessing the total income of the relevant tax year as per the order of the business reorganisation and taking into account the modified return so furnished.
- (3) Subject to any other provisions of this section, in an assessment or reassessment made in respect of a tax year under this section, all other provisions of this Act shall apply and the tax shall be chargeable at the rate or rates as applicable to such tax year.

### (4) In this section,—

- (a) "business reorganisation" means the reorganisation of business involving the amalgamation or demerger or merger of business of one or more persons;
- (b) "order in respect of business reorganisation" means an order of a High Court or tribunal or an Adjudicating Authority as defined in section 5(I) of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016; and
- (c) "successor" means all resulting companies in a business reorganisation, whether or not the company was in existence prior to such business reorganisation.

### 7.—Partition

**315**. (*I*) A Hindu family, hitherto assessed as undivided, shall be deemed for the purposes of this Act to continue to be a Hindu undivided family, except where and in so far as a finding of partition has been given under this section in respect of the Hindu undivided family.

Assessment after partition of Hindu undivided family.

- (2) Where, at the time of making an assessment under section 270 or section 271, it is claimed by or on behalf of any member of a Hindu family assessed as undivided that a partition, whether total or partial, has taken place among the members of such family, the Assessing Officer shall make an inquiry thereinto after giving notice of the inquiry to all the members of the family.
- (3) On the completion of the inquiry, the Assessing Officer shall record a finding as to whether there has been a total or partial partition of the joint family property, and, if there has been such a partition, the date on which it has taken place.
- (4) Where a finding of total or partial partition has been recorded by the Assessing Officer under this section, and the partition took place during the tax year,—
  - (a) the total income of the joint family in respect of the period up to the date of partition shall be assessed as if no partition had taken place; and
  - (b) each member or group of members shall, in addition to any tax for which he or it may be separately liable and irrespective of anything contained against Schedule III (Table: Sl. No. 2), be jointly and severally liable for the tax on the income so assessed.

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- (5) Where a finding of total or partial partition has been recorded by the Assessing Officer under this section, and the partition took place after the expiry of the tax year, the total income of the tax year of the joint family shall be assessed as if no partition had taken place, and the provisions of sub-section (4)(b), so far as may be, apply to the case.
- (6) Irrespective of anything contained in this section, if the Assessing Officer finds after completion of the assessment of a Hindu undivided family that the family has already effected a partition, whether total or partial, the Assessing Officer shall proceed to recover the tax from every person who was a member of the family before the partition, and every such person shall be jointly and severally liable for the tax on the income so assessed.
- (7) The provisions of this section shall, so far as may be, apply in relation to the levy and collection of any penalty, interest, fine or other sum in respect of any period up to the date of the partition, whether total or partial, of a Hindu undivided family as they apply in relation to the levy and collection of tax in respect of any such period.
- (8) Irrespective of anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this section, where a partial partition has taken place after the 31st December, 1978, among the members of a Hindu undivided family hitherto assessed as undivided,—
  - (a) a claim that such partial partition has taken place shall not be 20 inquired into under sub-section (2) and no finding shall be recorded under sub-section (3) that such partial partition had taken place and any finding recorded under sub-section (3) to that effect at any time, shall be *null* and *void*;
  - (b) such family shall continue to be liable to be assessed under this Act 25 as if no such partial partition had taken place; and
  - (c) each member or group of members of such family immediately before such partial partition and the family shall be jointly and severally liable for any tax, penalty, interest, fine or other sum payable under this Act by the family in respect of any period, whether before or after such partial partition.
- (9) For the purposes of this section, the several liability of any member or group of members thereunder shall be computed according to the portion of the joint family property allotted to him or it at the partition, whether total or partial and the provisions of this Act shall apply accordingly.

## (10) In this section,—

## (a) "partition" means,—

(i) where the property admits of a physical division, a physical division of the property, but a physical division of the income without a physical division of the property producing the income shall not be deemed to be a partition; or

- (*ii*) where the property does not admit of a physical division, then such division as the property admits of, but a mere severance of status shall not be deemed to be a partition;
- (b) "partial partition" means a partition which is partial as regards the persons constituting the Hindu undivided family, or the properties belonging 45 to the Hindu undivided family, or both.

8.—Profits of non-residents from occasional shipping business

**316.** (*I*) Irrespective of anything in the other provisions of this Act, the provisions of this section shall apply for the purpose of levy and recovery of tax in the case of any ship, belonging to or chartered by a non-resident, which carries passengers, livestock, mail or goods shipped at a port in India.

Shipping business of nonresidents.

- (2) Where such a ship carries passengers, livestock, mail or goods shipped at a port in India,—
  - (a) 7.5 % of the amount paid or payable on account of such carriage shall be deemed to be income accruing in India to the owner or charterer or to any person on his behalf, on account of such carriage, whether that amount is paid or payable in or out of India; and
  - (b) the amount referred to in clause (a) shall include the amount paid or payable by way of demurrage charge or handling charge or any other amount of similar nature.
- (3) Before the departure from any port in India of any such ship, the master of the ship shall prepare and furnish to the Assessing Officer a return of the full amount paid or payable to the person as mentioned in sub-section (2) on account of such carriage shipped at that port, since the last arrival of the ship thereat.
- (4) The requirement of furnishing the return as per sub-section (3) shall be deemed to have been complied with, if—
  - (a) the Assessing Officer is satisfied that—

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- (*i*) it is not possible for the master of the ship to furnish the return before the departure of the ship from the port; and
- (ii) the master of the ship has made satisfactory arrangements for filing of the return and payment of tax by any other person on his behalf; and
- (b) the return is filed within thirty days of the departure of the ship by any person so authorised by the master.
- (5) On receipt of the return, the Assessing Officer shall—
  - (a) assess the income referred to in sub-section (2); and
- (b) determine the sum payable as tax thereon at the rate or rates in force applicable to the total income of a company which has not made the arrangements referred to in section 393(1) (Table: Sl. No. 7) and such sum shall be payable by the master of the ship.
- (6) No order assessing the income and determining the sum of tax payable thereon shall be made under sub-section (5) after the expiry of nine months from the end of the tax year in which the return under sub-section (3) is furnished.
- (7) For the purposes of determining the tax payable under sub-section (5), the Assessing Officer may call for such accounts or documents as he may require.
- (8) A port clearance shall not be granted to the ship until the Commissioner of Customs, or other officer duly authorised to grant the same, is satisfied that the tax assessable under this section has been duly paid or that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the payment thereof.
- (9) Nothing in this section shall prevent the owner or charterer of a ship from claiming, before the end of the year following the tax year in which the date of departure of the ship from Indian port falls, that an assessment be made of his total income of the tax year as per other provisions of this Act, and tax payable be determined on the basis of such assessment.

- (10) In a case falling under sub-section (9), any payment made under this section during the tax year, if so claimed, shall be treated as—
  - (a) tax paid in advance with respect to that year and adjusted against tax payable by such person; and
  - (*b*) the difference between the sum so paid and the amount of tax found 5 so payable by him on such assessment shall be paid by him or refunded to him.

# 9.—Persons leaving India

Assessment of persons leaving India.

- **317.** (*I*) Irrespective of anything contained in section 4, when it appears to the Assessing Officer that any individual may leave India during the current tax year or shortly after its expiry, with no present intention of returning to India, the total income of such individual for the period beginning from the first day of that current tax year up to the probable date of departure from India (referred to as specified period in this section) shall be chargeable to tax in that current tax year.
- (2) The total income of each completed tax year or part of any tax year included in the specified period shall be chargeable to tax at the rate or rates in force 15 in that tax year, and separate assessments shall be made in respect of each such completed tax year or part of any tax year.
- (3) The Assessing Officer may estimate the income of such individual for such specified period or any part thereof, where it cannot be readily determined in the manner provided in this Act.

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- (4) For the purposes of making an assessment under sub-section (1), the Assessing Officer may serve a notice upon such individual requiring him to furnish within such time, not being less than seven days, as specified in the notice, a return in the same form and verified in the same manner as a return under section 268(1), setting forth his—
  - (a) total income for each completed tax year comprised in such specified period referred to therein; and
  - (b) estimated total income for any part of the tax year comprised in such specified period,

and the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, and subject to the provisions  $_{30}$  of this section, apply as if the notice were a notice issued under section  $_{268}(I)$ .

- (5) Irrespective of anything contained in section 268(I) or 280, where the provisions of sub-section (I) are applicable, the Assessing Officer may issue any notice under section 268(I) or 280, requiring the furnishing of the return by such individual in respect of any tax chargeable under any other provisions of this Act, 35 within such period, not being less than seven days, as the Assessing Officer may think proper.
- (6) The tax chargeable under this section shall be in addition to the tax, if any, chargeable under any other provisions of this Act.
  - 10.—Association of persons or body of individuals or artificial juridical person formed for a particular event or purpose
- **318.** (*I*) Irrespective of anything contained in the section 4, where it appears to the Assessing Officer that any association of persons or a body of individuals or an artificial juridical person, formed or established or incorporated for a particular event or purpose in a tax year is likely to be dissolved in the same year or 45 immediately after such year, the total income of such association or body or juridical person for the period beginning from the first day of that tax year up to the date of its dissolution shall be chargeable to tax in that tax year.

Assessment of association of persons or body of individuals or artificial juridical person formed for a particular event or purpose.

(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1), the provisions of section 317(2) to (6) shall, so far as may be, apply to any proceedings in the case of any such person as they apply in the case of persons leaving India.

## 11.—Persons trying to alienate their assets

**319**. (1) Irrespective of anything contained in section 4, where it appears to the Assessing Officer during any current tax year that any person is likely to charge, sell, transfer, dispose of or otherwise part with any of his assets with a view to avoiding payment of any liability under the provisions of this Act, the total income of such person for the period beginning from the first day of that current tax year up to the date when the Assessing Officer commences proceedings under this section shall be chargeable to tax in current tax year.

Assessment of persons likely to transfer property to avoid tax.

(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1), the provisions of section 317(2) to (6) shall, so far as may be, apply to any proceedings in the case of any such person as they apply in the case of persons leaving India.

## 12.—Discontinuance of business, or dissolution

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**320**. (1) Irrespective of anything contained in section 4, where any business or profession is discontinued in any tax year, the income of the period beginning from the first day of that tax year up to the date of such discontinuance may, at the discretion of the Assessing Officer, be charged to tax in that tax year.

Discontinued business.

- 20 (2) The total income of each completed tax year or part of any tax year included in such period shall be chargeable to tax at the rate or rates in force in that tax year, and separate assessments shall be made in respect of each such completed tax year or part of any tax year.
- (3) Any person discontinuing any business or profession shall give to the Assessing Officer notice of such discontinuance within fifteen days thereof.
  - (4) Where any business is discontinued in any year, any sum received after the discontinuance shall be deemed to be the income of the recipient and charged to tax accordingly in the year of receipt, if such sum would have been included in the total income of the person who carried on the business had such sum been received before such discontinuance.
  - (5) Where any profession is discontinued in any year on account of the cessation of the profession by, or the retirement or death of, the person carrying on the profession, any sum received after the discontinuance shall be deemed to be the income of the recipient and charged to tax accordingly in the year of receipt, if such sum would have been included in the total income of the said person, had it been received before such discontinuance.
  - (6) Where an assessment is to be made under the provisions of this section, the Assessing Officer may serve on the person whose income is to be assessed or, in the case of a firm, on any person who was a partner of such firm at the time of its discontinuance or, in the case of a company, on the principal officer thereof, a notice containing all or any of the requirements which may be included in a notice under section 268(I) and the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, apply accordingly as if the notice were a notice issued under section 268.
- (7) Irrespective of anything contained in section 268 or 280, where the provisions of sub-section (1) are applicable, the Assessing Officer may issue any notice under section 268 or 280, requiring the furnishing of the return by the person whose income is to be assessed in respect of any tax chargeable under any other provisions of this Act, within such period, not being less than seven days, as the Assessing Officer may think proper.

(8) The tax chargeable under this section shall be in addition to the tax, if any, chargeable under any other provision of this Act.

Association dissolved or business discontinued.

- **321**. (1) Where any business or profession carried on by an association of persons has been discontinued or where an association of persons is dissolved, the Assessing Officer shall make an assessment of the total income of the association 5 of persons as if no such discontinuance or dissolution had taken place, and all the provisions of this Act, including the provisions relating to the levy of a penalty or any other sum chargeable under any provision of this Act shall apply, so far as may be, to such assessment.
- (2) Regardless of the generality of sub-section (1), if the Assessing Officer or 10 the Joint Commissioner (Appeals) or the Commissioner (Appeals) in the course of any proceeding under this Act in respect of any such association of persons as is referred to in that sub-section is satisfied that the association of persons was guilty of any of the acts specified in Chapter XXI, he may impose or direct the imposition of a penalty as per the provisions of that Chapter.

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- (3) Every person who was at the time of such discontinuance or dissolution a member of the association of persons, and the legal representative of any such person who is deceased, shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount of tax, penalty or other sum payable, and all the provisions of this Act, so far as may be, shall apply to any such assessment or imposition of penalty or other sum.
- (4) Where such discontinuance or dissolution takes place after any proceedings in respect of a tax year have commenced, the proceedings may be continued against the persons referred to in sub-section (3) from the stage at which the proceedings stood at the time of such discontinuance or dissolution, and all the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, apply accordingly.
  - (5) Nothing in this section shall affect the provisions of section 302(4).

## **322**. (1) Every person,—

- (a) who is the liquidator of any company which is being wound up, whether under the orders of a court or otherwise; or
- (b) who has been appointed the receiver of any assets of a company, 30 (herein referred to as the liquidator),

shall, within thirty days after he has become such liquidator, give notice of his appointment as such to the Assessing Officer who is entitled to assess the income of the company.

(2) The Assessing Officer shall, after making such inquiries or calling for such 35 information as he may deem fit, notify to the liquidator within three months from the date on which he receives notice of the appointment of the liquidator the amount which, in the opinion of the Assessing Officer, would be sufficient to provide for any tax which is then, or is likely thereafter to become, payable by the company.

# (3) The liquidator-

- (a) shall not, without the leave of the Principal Chief Commissioner or Chief Commissioner or Principal Commissioner or Commissioner, part with any of the assets of the company or the properties in his hands until he has been notified by the Assessing Officer under sub-section (2); and
- (b) on being so notified, shall set aside an amount, equal to the amount 45 notified and, until he so sets aside such amount, shall not part with any of the assets of the company or the properties in his hands.
- (4) The provisions of sub-section (3) shall not debar the liquidator from parting with such assets or properties for the purpose of—

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- (a) the payment of the tax payable by the company; or
- (b) making any payment to secured creditors whose debts are entitled under law to priority of payment over debts due to Government on the date of liquidation; or
- 5 (c) meeting such costs and expenses of the winding up of the company,

as are in the opinion of the Principal Chief Commissioner or Chief Commissioner or Principal Commissioner or Commissioner, reasonable.

- (5) If the liquidator fails to give the notice as per sub-section (1), or fails to set aside the amount as required by sub-section (3), or parts with any of the assets of the company or the properties in his hands in contravention of the provisions of that sub-section, he shall be personally liable for the payment of the tax which the company would be liable to pay.
- (6) In relation to sub-section (5), if the amount of any tax payable by the company is notified under sub-section (2), the personal liability of the liquidator under that sub-section shall be to the extent of such amount.
  - (7) Where there are more liquidators than one, the obligations and liabilities attached to the liquidator under this section shall attach to all the liquidators jointly and severally.
  - (8) The provisions of this section shall have effect irrespective of anything to the contrary contained in any other law in force, except the provisions of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.

## 13.—Private companies

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**323**. (1) Irrespective of anything contained in the Companies Act, 2013, where any tax due from—

(a) a private company in respect of any income of any tax year; or

(b) any other company in respect of any income of any tax year during which such other company was a private company,

cannot be recovered, then, every person, who was a director of the private company at any time during the relevant tax year, shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of such tax unless he proves that the non-recovery cannot be attributed to any gross neglect, misfeasance or breach of duty on his part in relation to the affairs of the company.

- (2) Where a private company is converted into a public company and the tax assessed in respect of any income of any tax year during which such company was a private company cannot be recovered, then, nothing contained in sub-section (*I*) shall apply to any person who was a director of such private company in relation to any tax due in respect of any income of such private company assessable for any tax year commencing before the 1st April, 1961.
- (3) In this section, "tax due" includes penalty, interest, fees or any other sum payable under the Act.

## 14.—Assessment of firms

- **324**. In the case of a firm which is assessable as a firm, tax shall be charged on its total income at the rate as specified in the Finance Act of the relevant year.
  - **325**. (1) A firm shall be assessed as a firm for the purposes of this Act, if—
    - (a) the partnership is evidenced by an instrument; and

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- (b) the individual shares of the partners are specified in that instrument.
- (2) A certified copy of the instrument of partnership referred to in sub-section (1) shall accompany the return of income of the firm of the tax year in respect of which assessment as a firm is first sought.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-section (2), the copy of the instrument of 5 partnership shall be certified in writing by all the partners (not being minors) or, where the return is made after the dissolution of the firm, by all persons (not being minors), who were partners in the firm immediately before its dissolution and by the legal representative of any such partner who is deceased.
- (4) Where a firm is assessed as such for any tax year, it shall be assessed in the same capacity for every subsequent year, if there is no change in the constitution of the firm or the shares of the partners as evidenced by the instrument of partnership on the basis of which the assessment as a firm was first sought.
- (5) Where any such change had taken place in the tax year, the firm shall furnish a certified copy of the revised instrument of partnership along with the return of income for such tax year, and all the provisions of this section shall apply accordingly.
- (6) Irrespective of anything contained in any other provision of this Act, where, in respect of any tax year, there is on the part of a firm any such failure as is mentioned in section 271.—
  - (a) the firm shall be so assessed that no deduction by way of any payment of interest, salary, bonus, commission or remuneration, by whatever name called, made by such firm to any partner of such firm shall be allowed in computing the income chargeable under the head "Profits and gains of business or profession"; and
  - (b) such payment shall not be chargeable to income-tax under section 26(2)(f).
- **326**. Irrespective of anything contained in any other provision of this Act, where a firm does not comply with the provisions of section 325 for any tax year,—
  - (a) no deduction by way of any payment of interest, salary, bonus, 30 commission or remuneration, by whatever name called, made by such firm to any partner of such firm shall be allowed in computing its income chargeable under the head "Profits and gains of business or profession"; and
  - (b) such interest, salary, bonus, commission or remuneration shall not be chargeable to income-tax under section 26(2)(g) in the hands of partners of 35 such firm.

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- 15.—Change in constitution, succession and dissolution
- **327**. (1) Where at the time of making an assessment under section 270 or 271, it is found that a change has occurred in the constitution of a firm, the assessment shall be made on the firm as constituted at the time of making the assessment.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, there is a change in the constitution of the firm—
  - (a) if one or more of the partners cease to be partners; or

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Change in constitution of a firm.

- (b) one or more new partners are admitted, subject to the condition that at least one person who was partner of the firm before the change continues as partner after such change; or
- (c) where all the partners continue with a change in their respective shares or in the shares of some of them.
- (3) The provisions of sub-section 2(a) shall not apply to a case where the firm is dissolved on the death of any of its partners.
- **328.** Where a firm carrying on a business or profession is succeeded by another firm, except in a case covered by section 327, separate assessments shall be made on the predecessor firm and the successor firm as per the provisions of section 313.

Succession of one firm by another firm.

329. Every person who was, during the tax year, a partner of a firm, and the legal representative of any such person who is deceased, shall be jointly and severally liable along with the firm for the amount of tax, penalty or other sum payable by the firm for the tax year, and all the provisions of this Act, so far as may be, shall apply to the assessment of such tax or imposition or levy of such penalty or other sum.

Joint and several liability of partners for tax payable by firm.

**330**. (1) Where a firm is dissolved or any business or profession carried on by it has been discontinued, the Assessing Officer shall make an assessment of the total income of the firm, as if no such dissolution or discontinuance had taken place, and all the provisions of this Act, including the provisions relating to the levy of a penalty or any other sum chargeable under any provision of this Act, shall apply, so far as may be, to such assessment.

Firm dissolved or business discontinued.

- (2) Regardless of the generality of sub-section (1), if the Assessing Officer or Joint Commissioner (Appeals) or Commissioner (Appeals), in the course of any proceeding under this Act in respect of any such firm as referred to in that sub-section, is satisfied that the firm was guilty of any of the acts specified in Chapter XXI, he may impose or direct the imposition of a penalty as per the provisions of that Chapter.
- (3) Every person who was at the time of such dissolution or discontinuance a partner of the firm, and the legal representative of any such person who is deceased, shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount of tax, penalty or other sum payable, and all the provisions of this Act, so far as may be, shall apply to any such assessment or imposition of penalty or other sum.
- (4) Where such dissolution or discontinuance takes place after any proceedings in respect of a tax year have commenced, the proceedings may be continued against the person referred to in sub-section (3) from the stage at which the proceedings stood at the time of such dissolution or discontinuance, and all the provisions of this Act shall, so far as may be, apply accordingly.
- (5) The provisions of this section shall not affect the provisions of 40 section 302(4).
  - 16.—Liability of partners of limited liability partnership in liquidation
  - **331**. Irrespective of anything contained in the Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2008, where any tax including penalty, interest, fees or any other sum payable under the Act is due, and cannot be recovered, from—

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- (a) the limited liability partnership in respect of any income of any tax year; or
  - (b) any other person in respect of any income of any tax year during which such other person was a limited liability partnership,

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then, in such case, every such person who was a partner of such partnership at any time during the relevant tax year, shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of such due amount, unless he proves that the non-recovery cannot be attributed to any gross neglect, misfeasance or breach of duty on his part in relation to the affairs of the limited liability partnership.

B.—Special provisions for registered non-profit organisation

## I.—Registration

Application for registration.

- **332.** (1) The following persons may, for claiming benefits under this Part as a registered non-profit organisation, make an application for registration in such form and manner, as prescribed, to the Principal Commissioner or 10 Commissioner:—
  - (a) a public trust;
  - (b) a society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, or under any law in force in India;
  - (c) a company registered under section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 or  $_{15}$  18 of 2013. the companies registered under section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 and deemed to have been registered in pursuance of section 465 (2)(g) of the Companies Act, 2013;

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- (*d*) a University established by law or any other educational institution affiliated thereto or recognised by the Government;
- (e) an institution financed wholly or in part by the Government or a local authority;
- (f) any person as referred to in Schedule III (Table: Sl. No. 27) to (Table: Sl. No. 29) and (Table: Sl. No. 36) and in Schedule VII (Table: Sl. No. 10) to (Table: Sl. No. 19) and (Table: Sl. No. 42); or
  - (g) any other person notified by the Board.
- (2) A person referred to in sub-section (1) shall be eligible for registration, if—
  - (a) such person is constituted or registered or incorporated in India for carrying out one or more charitable purposes, as referred to in section 2(23) or 30 one or more public religious purposes, or both; and
  - (b) the properties of such person are held under an irrevocable trust for the benefit of the general public,—
    - (i) wholly for charitable or religious purposes; or
    - (ii) partly for charitable or religious purposes in India, if such 35 person was constituted or registered or incorporated prior to the commencement of the Income-tax Act, 1961.
    - (3) Every application in respect of the cases specified in column B of the Table below shall be made to the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner within the time provided in column C of the said Table, 40 who shall, on receipt of such application, follow the procedure provided in sub-sections (6) and (7) and shall pass an order within the time specified in column D of the said Table, and registration, if granted, shall be valid for a period specified in column E thereof.

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_	Sl. No.	No. Case Time limit for furnishing application		Time limit for passing order	Validity of registration
5	A	В	С	D	Е
10	1.	Where the activities of the applicant have not commenced and it has not been	At any time during the tax year beginning from which registration is sought.	Three months from the end of the month in which application is made.	Three tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is made.
15 20		registered under any specified provision at any time before making the application.			
25	2.	Where the activities of the applicant have commenced and it has not been	At any time during the tax year, beginning from which registration is sought.	quarter in which	Five tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is
30 35		registered under any specified provision at any time before making the application.			made.
40	3.	Where the applicant has been granted provisional registration and activities have commenced.		the end of the	Five tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is made.
50	4.	Where the provisional registration of the applicant is due to expire and activities have not commenced.	At least six months prior to the expiry of the provisional registration.	Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is made.	Five tax years following the tax year in which such application is made.

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5.	Where the registration of the applicant is due to expire, other than cases mentioned at serial number 4.		Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is made.	Five tax years following the tax year in which such application is made.	5
6.	Where the registration of the applicant has become inoperative due to switching over of regime under section 333.	At any time during the tax year beginning from which the registration is sought to be made operative.	the end of the	Five tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is made.	10
7.	Where the applicant, being a registered non-profit organisation, has adopted or undertaken modification of its objects.	Within thirty days of the date of such adoption or modification.		Five tax years commencing from commencement of the tax year in which such application is made.	20

- (4) In case the application under sub-section (3) is made beyond the time 30 allowed in column C of the Table specified in the said sub-section, the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner may, if he considers that there is a reasonable cause for delay in furnishing the application, condone such delay and such application shall be deemed to have been made within time.
- (5) In case the application is made under sub-section (3)(Table: Sl. Nos. 3 to 7), and the total income of such applicant, without giving effect to the provisions of this Part, does not exceed five crore rupees during each of the two tax years, preceding the tax year in which such application is made, the provisions of (Table: Sl. Nos. 3.E to 7.E) of the said sub-section, shall have effect as if for the words "five years", the words "ten years" had been substituted.
- (6) If any application for registration is not made within the time specified in sub-section (3)(Table: Sl. No. 3.C, 4.C, 5.C or 7.C) and the delay in filing such application is not condoned under sub-section (4), such person shall be liable to pay tax on accreted income under section 352.
- (7) The Principal Commissioner or Commissioner shall, on an application made by an applicant in any of the cases specified in sub-section (3)(Table: Sl. Nos. 2 to 7), call for such documents or information or make such inquiries as he thinks necessary in order to satisfy himself as to the compliance of such requirements of any other law as are material for the purpose of achieving its objects, and the genuineness of activities and—
  - (a) if he is so satisfied about the objects and the genuineness of the 50 activities and compliance of the requirements of any other law in force, shall pass an order granting registration; or
  - (b) if he is not so satisfied, after affording a reasonable opportunity of being heard to the applicant shall,—

- (i) pass an order rejecting the application, where the application was made in the any of the cases specified in sub-section (3) (Table: Sl. No. 2 or 6); or
- (ii) pass an order in writing rejecting the application and also cancelling the registration in any other case specified in sub-section (3)(Table: Sl. Nos. 3, 4, 5 or 7),

and send a copy of the said order to the applicant and the Assessing Officer.

- (8) Where an application has been made in any of the cases specified in sub-section (3)(Table: Sl. No. 1), the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner shall grant provisional registration.
- (9) Where the registration of a person, registered prior to the 1st April, 2021 under the specified provision of the Income-tax Act, 1961 has expired and such person makes an application for registration under this Part, the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner may, if he considers that there is a reasonable cause for delay in making such application, condone such delay and grant registration to such person under this Part within three months from the end of the month in which the application is made, which shall be valid for five years from the commencement of the tax year 2021-2022.
- (10) The order under sub-sections (7), (8) and (9) shall be passed in the form and manner, as prescribed.
  - **333**. (1) Nothing contained in section 11, other than Schedule II (Table: Sl. No. 1), Schedule III (Table: Sl. Nos. 27 to 29 and 36) and Schedule VII (Table: Sl. Nos. 10 to 19 and 42 to 45), shall exclude any income of a registered non-profit organisation from its total income for any tax year.

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- (2) The registration under section 332 shall cease to operate from the date on which the registered non-profit organisation is notified as specified in Schedule III (Table: Sl. No. 27, 28, 29 or 36) or Schedule VII (Table: Sl. No. 42), or from the 1st day of April of the tax year for a registered non-profit organisation which claims exemption under Schedule VII (Table: Sl. No. 43, 44 or 45).
- (3) A person, whose registration ceases to operate under sub-section (2), may apply for registration under section 332 subject to the condition that the notification granting exemption to such person under Schedule III (Table: Sl. No. 27, 28, 29 or 36) or Schedule VII (Table: Sl. No. 42) ceases to have effect from the date on which the said registration is granted and thereafter shall not be entitled to exemption under the respective serial numbers of the said Schedules.

### 2.—Income of registered non-profit organisation

- **334**. (1) The Income-tax payable by a registered non-profit organisation on its total income for any tax year shall be the aggregate of the amounts calculated—
  - (a) at the rate of 30% on specified income for such tax year; and
  - (b) at the rate applicable on taxable regular income and any residual income for such tax year under other provisions of this Act.
- (2) The provisions of this Chapter shall apply irrespective of anything to the contrary contained in any other provision of this Act other than section 96 to 98.
- **335.** Regular income of any tax year of a registered non-profit organisation means—
  - (a) receipts from any charitable or religious activity, for which it is registered, carried out by such registered non-profit organisation in such tax year;
  - (b) receipts, other than those specified in clause (d), whether capital or revenue, derived from any property or investment held by such registered non-profit organisation in such tax year;

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- (c) voluntary contributions received by such registered non-profit organisation in such tax year; and
- (*d*) gains of any commercial activity, other than the commercial activities restricted under sections 345 and 346, carried out by such registered non-profit organisation in such tax year, computed in such manner, as 5 prescribed.

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- **336.** The taxable regular income of a registered non-profit organisation for any tax year shall be—
  - (a) nil, where 85% or more of the regular income for such tax year has been applied or accumulated under section 342 for charitable or religious 10 purposes, in such tax year as per the provisions of this Part; and
  - (b) in any other case, 85% of the regular income for such tax year as reduced by its application for charitable or religious purposes or accumulation thereof under section 342 in such tax year as per the provisions of this Part.
- **337**. The specified income of a registered non-profit organisation shall mean the income as specified in column B of the Table below and shall be taxable in the year provided in the column C thereof:—

	Table	
Sl. No.	Specified income	Tax year
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1.	Any anonymous donation received by a registered non-profit organisation (other than a registered non-profit organisation created or established wholly for religious purposes) excluding the anonymous donations up to ₹1,00,000 or 5% of the such donations received by it during the tax year, whichever is higher.	such anonymous donation
2.	Any portion of income applied by it, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of any related person, computed in the manner, as prescribed.	Tax year in which such application is made.
3.	Any portion of income applied by it outside India in contravention to the provisions of section 338( <i>a</i> ).	
4.	Any investment made in contravention to the provisions of section 350 out of any income, accumulated income, deemed accumulated income, corpus, deemed corpus, or any other fund.	Tax year in which such investment is made.
5.	Any deemed corpus donation in respect of which any of the conditions specified in the section 340 is violated.	•
6.	Any portion of accumulated income, if it is applied to purposes other than	•

charitable or religious purposes for which it

is accumulated or set apart.

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5	7.	if it ceases to be accumulated or set apart it ceases	ear in which to be so d or set apart.
10	8.	if it is not utilised for the purpose, for years for w	of the tax which income cumulated or
	9.	Any portion of accumulated income, Tax y if it is credited or paid to any other it is so credit registered non-profit organisation.	ear in which ited or paid.
15	10.	Any income applied to purposes Tax y other than charitable or religious purposes it is so appli for which it is registered.	ear in which led.
20	11.	Any income determined by the Tax you Assessing Officer under section 344 in such income excess of income shown in the books of account of such business undertaking.	ear to which e relates.
		8. While computing the regular income of a register ion, the following income shall not be included:—	red non-profit Income not to be included in regular income.
25		(a) income applied outside India, where the Board, by ger er, directs that such income shall not be so included in its te of a registered non-profit organisation—	neral or special
		(i) created before the 1st April, 1952 for charitab purposes; or	le or religious
30		(ii) created on or after the 1st April, 1952 for chari where such application of income outside India tend international welfare in which India is interested;	
	orga	(b) the corpus donation received by the register anisation under section 339.	red non-profit
35	the dono organisat permitted	Corpus donation means any donation made with a specifier that it shall form part of the corpus of the register ion where such donation is invested or deposited in any under section 350 maintained specifically for such corpus.	red non-profit of the modes
40	temple, section 1 organisat	Where the property of a registered non-profit organisation mosque, gurdwara, church or other place nother as $33(1)(b)(vii)$ , any sum or sums received by such registerion as donation for the purpose of renovation or repair orgurdwara, church or other place, may, at its option, be deen	otified under <sup>donation</sup> . red non-profit f such temple,
		e corpus under section 339, if it—	S
15	wice	<ul><li>(a) maintains such corpus as separate identifiable;</li><li>(b) applies such corpus only for the purpose for which the mode:</li></ul>	ne contribution
45		s made;  (c) invests or deposits such corpus in any of the modes position 250, and	ermitted under
	sect	tion 350; and (d) does not apply such corpus for making donation to an	v person.
50		(1) The following sums shall be allowed as application of non-profit organisation:—	

(a) any sum applied by it for charitable or religious purpose in India for

which it is registered where such sum is,—

- (i) paid during such tax year; and
- (ii) such payment is allowable under sections 36(4), (5), (6) and (7) and 35(b)(i);
- (b) 85% of the sum paid by way of donation made to any other registered non-profit organisation; and
- (c) nil, with respect to any sum paid as a corpus donation to any other registered non-profit organisation.
- (2) The application of income under sub-section (1) shall include the following:—
  - (a) the amount invested or deposited back during the tax year, in the modes permitted under section 350 maintained specifically for such corpus, if—
    - (i) such investment or depositing back is made within five years from the end of the tax year in which such application of income was made from the corpus; and
    - (ii) the application of income from the corpus is made after the 31st March, 2021 and there was no violation of any provision of this Part, or any corresponding provision of the Income-tax Act, 1961 with respect to such application;

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- (b) the amount repaid, during the tax year, towards any loan or 20 borrowing where,—
  - (i) such repayment is within five years from the end of the tax year in which such application of income was made from the loan or borrowing; and
  - (*ii*) the application of income from the loan or borrowing is made 25 after the 31st March, 2021 and there was no violation of any provision of this Part, or any corresponding provision of the Income-tax Act, 1961 with respect to such application.

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- (3) The following claims shall not be allowed as application of income under sub-sections (1) and (2):—
  - (a) the deduction or allowance by way of depreciation or otherwise claimed in respect of an asset acquisition of which has been claimed as an application of income in the same or any other tax year under this Part or under any corresponding provision of the Income-tax Act, 1961; or

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- (b) a claim of set off or deduction or allowance of any excess application 35 of any of the years preceding the tax year.
- (4) An application from corpus, loan or borrowing, accumulated income, specified income or deemed accumulated income shall not be considered as application for the purpose of sub-sections (I) and (2).

**342.** (1) A registered non-profit organisation may accumulate or set apart any 40 part of its regular income during any tax year by furnishing a statement to the Assessing Officer in such form and manner, as prescribed, on or before the due date specified in section 263(1) for furnishing the return of income for such tax year stating therein the purpose and period, not exceeding five years, for which the income is being accumulated or set apart.

Accumulated income

- (2) The amount credited or paid by a registered non-profit organisation to any other registered non-profit organisation out of its income accumulated or set apart, shall not be treated as application of income.
- (3) The period during which the income is not be applied for the purpose for which it is so accumulated or set apart pursuant to an order or injunction of any court, shall be excluded from said period of five years.
  - (4) The income accumulated or set apart under sub-section (1) shall be invested or deposited in any of the modes permitted under section 350, or applied for the purposes as stated in the prescribed form referred to in sub-section (1).
  - (5) The registered non-profit organisation may, for the change of purpose for which income has been accumulated or set apart, make an application to the Assessing Officer, in such form and manner, as prescribed.

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- (6) The Assessing Officer may, on an application under sub-section (5) and subject to sub-section (2), allow the registered non-profit organisation to apply its income for such other charitable or religious purposes in India which are in conformity with its objects.
- (7) Where a registered non-profit organisation is dissolved, the Assessing Officer may, on an application made by such registered non-profit organisation in such form and manner, as prescribed, allow application of such income to be made to any other registered non-profit organisation for the year in which it is dissolved.
- **343**. (*I*) The regular income, as reduced by the application of income and accumulated income under section 342, to the extent of 15% of regular income, shall be considered as deemed accumulated income and shall be invested or deposited in any of the modes permitted under section 350.

Deemed accumulated income.

- (2) The deemed accumulated income under this section shall not be considered as accumulated income for the purposes of section 342.
  - 3.—Commercial activities by registered non-profit organisation
- **344.** Where the property held by a registered non-profit organisation includes a business undertaking, and where a claim is made that the income of any such undertaking is eligible for benefits under this Part, then the Assessing Officer shall have the power to determine the income of such business undertaking as per the provisions of this Act.

Business undertaking held as property.

- **345**. No registered non-profit organisation, other than a registered non-profit organisation, carrying out advancement of any other object of general public utility, shall carry out any commercial activity unless—
- Restriction on commercial activities by a registered non-profit organisation.
- (a) such commercial activity is incidental to the attainment of the objectives of the registered non-profit organisation; and
  - (b) separate books of account are maintained for such activities.
- **346**. No registered non-profit organisation, carrying out advancement of any other object of general public utility, shall carry out any commercial activity unless,—
  - (a) such commercial activity is undertaken in the course of actual carrying out of advancement of any object of the general public utility;
  - (b) the aggregate receipts from such commercial activity or activities do not exceed 20% of the total receipts of such registered non-profit organisation of the relevant tax year; and

Restriction on commercial activities by registered non-profit organisation, carrying out advancement of any other object of general public utility.

(c) separate books of account are maintained by such registered non-profit organisation for such activities.

## 4.—Compliances

Books of account.

347. Where the total income of a registered non-profit organisation, without giving effect to the provisions of this Part, exceeds the maximum amount which is 5 not chargeable to income-tax in any tax year, such registered non-profit organisation shall be required to keep and maintain the books of account and other documents in such form and manner and at such place, as prescribed.

Audit.

348. Where the total income of a registered non-profit organisation, without giving effect to the provisions of this Part, exceeds the maximum amount which is 10 not chargeable to income-tax in any tax year, the accounts of such registered non-profit organisation for that tax year shall be audited by an accountant and the person in receipt of the income shall be required to furnish a report of an audit of such income by such date in the prescribed form, duly signed and verified by such accountant and setting forth such particulars, as prescribed.

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Return of income.

**349**. Where the total income of a registered non-profit organisation, without giving effect to the provisions of this Part, exceeds the maximum amount which is not chargeable to income-tax in any tax year, it shall furnish the return of income for such tax year as per the provisions of section 263(1)(a)(iii), within the time limit allowed under sub-section (1)(b) of that section.

Permitted modes of investment.

- **350**. (1) The modes of investing or depositing the money under this Part, shall be such as specified in Schedule XVI.
- (2) The modes of investing or depositing money under this Part, other than the modes specified in Schedule XVI, shall be specified by the Central Government, by notification.

### 5.—Violations

Specified violation.

- **351**. (1) The following shall constitute specified violation by a registered non-profit organisation:-
  - (a) where any income of the registered non-profit organisation has been applied, other than for its objects; or
  - (b) it carries out any commercial activity in contravention of the provisions of section 345; or
  - (c) where it has applied any part of its total income for private religious purposes, which does not enure for the benefit of the public; or
  - (d) where a registered non-profit organisation, created or established 35 after the commencement of this Act for charitable purpose, has applied any part of its income for the benefit of any particular religious community or caste other than the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes or backward classes or women and children: or
  - (e) where any activity being carried out by the registered non-profit 40 organisation is not genuine or is not being carried out in accordance with all or any of the conditions subject to which it was registered; or
  - (f) the registered non-profit organisation has not complied with the requirements under section 332(7) and the order, direction or decree, holding that such non-compliance has occurred, has either not been disputed, or has 45 attained finality; or
  - (g) the application referred to in section 332(1) contains any false or incorrect information.

(2) Where during any tax year,—

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- (a) the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner has noticed occurrence of one or more specified violations;
- (b) the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner has received a reference from the Assessing Officer under section 270(13) for any tax year; or
  - (c) a registered non-profit organisation has been selected as per the risk management strategy formulated by the Board,

the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner shall—

(*i*) call for such documents or information from the registered non-profit organisation, or make such inquiry as he thinks necessary in order to satisfy himself about the occurrence of any specified violation;

### (ii) pass an order,—

- (A) either cancelling the registration of such registered non-profit organisation, after affording a reasonable opportunity of being heard, for such tax year during which such specified violation took place and all subsequent tax years, if he is satisfied that one or more specified violations have taken place; or
- (B) not cancelling the registration of such registered non-profit organisation, if he is not satisfied about the occurrence of any specified violation; and
- (*iii*) forward a copy of the order passed under clause (*ii*) to the Assessing Officer and such registered non-profit organisation.
- (3) The order under sub-section (2)(ii), shall be passed before the expiry of six months, calculated from the end of the quarter in which the first notice is issued by the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner, calling for any document or information, or for making any inquiry, under clause (i) of the said sub-section.
  - **352**. (1) Every specified person shall, in addition to the income-tax chargeable in respect of his total income, be liable to pay additional income-tax on accreted income at the maximum marginal rate in any of the cases specified in column B of the Table in sub-section (5).
- income.

Tax on accreted

- (2) The Assessing Officer shall compute the accreted income on the date, specified in column C of the Table in sub-section (5) and after affording a reasonable opportunity of being heard to the assessee, pass on order that such income shall be charged to tax under sub-section (1).
- (3) The accreted income referred to in sub-section (1) shall be computed using the following formula:—

A = B-C

where,—

A = Accreted income:

B = Aggregate fair market value of the total assets of the specified person, as on the date specified, in column C of the Table in sub-section (5), computed in accordance with such method of valuation, as prescribed:

C = Total liability of such specified person, as on the date specified in column C of the said Table, computed in accordance with such method of valuation, as prescribed.

- (4) The accreted income, computed as per the provisions of sub-section (3) shall be reduced by such amount of accreted income as is attributable to specified assets, and liabilities, if any, related to such assets.
- (5) The specified person and the principal officer or trustee of such specified person shall be liable to pay the tax on accreted income to the credit 5 of the Central Government within fourteen days from the due date specified in column D of the Table below, or the date of order passed under sub-section (2).

Table

Sl. No.	Case		Specified date	Due date for the payment of tax on accreted income	10
A	В		С	D	
	(i)	(ii)			15
1.	The registration granted to the specified person under any specified provision has been cancelled or withdrawn.	The specified person has preferred an appeal against the order of cancellation.	The date of the order cancelling the registration.	Date of receipt of the order in any appeal, confirming the cancellation of the registration, by the specified person.	20
2.	The registration granted to the specified person under any specified provision has been cancelled or withdrawn.	The specified person has not preferred an appeal against such order of cancellation.	The date of the order cancelling the registration.	The date on which the period for filing appeal under section 362 against the order cancelling the registration expires.	30
3.	(a) The specified person has adopted or undertaken modification of its objects during any tax year; and  (b) such modified objects do not conform to the conditions of	The specified person has not applied for fresh registration under any specified provision in such tax year.	The date of adoption or modification of any object.	The end of such tax year.	40

_	A	В		С	D
=		(i)	(ii)		
5	4.	(a) The specified person has adopted or undertaken modification of its objects during any tax year; and	The specified person has applied for fresh registration under any	The date of adoption or modification of any object.	The date of receipt of the order in any appeal, confirming the cancellation of the registration
10		(b) such modified objects do not conform to the conditions of registration.	specified provision in such tax year and where such application has		by the specified person.
15 20			been rejected and appeal has been preferred against such order of rejection.		
20	5.	(a) The specified person has adopted or	The specified person has	The date of adoption or modification of	The date on which the period for
25		undertaken modification of its objects during any tax year; and	applied for fresh registration under any specified	any object.	filing appeal under section 362 against the order cancelling the
30		(b) such modified objects do not conform to the conditions of registration.	provision in the said tax year and where such application has been rejected and no appeal		registration expires.
35			has been preferred against such order of rejection.		
40	6.	The specified person fails to make an application as per the provisions of—	The period specified in the respective clause or sub-clauses or Table, as the	The last date for making an application for registration.	The end of such tax year.
<ul><li>45</li><li>50</li></ul>			case may be, expires in the tax year in which the said application is		
			to be made.		

A	В		С	D
	(i)	(ii)		
	(a) sub-clause (i) or (ii) or (iii) of the first proviso to section 10 (23C) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961); or			
	( <i>b</i> ) sub-clause ( <i>i</i> ) or ( <i>ii</i> ) or ( <i>iii</i> ) of section 12( <i>I</i> )( <i>ac</i> ) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961); or			
	(c) as specified in section 332(3) (Table: Sl. No. 3, 4, 5 or 7).			
7.	Where a specified person converts itself into a form which is not eligible for grant of registration during any tax year.		The date of such conversion.	The end of such tax year.
•	The specified person has merged with any other entity other than a registered non-profit organisation having the same or similar objects and the said merger does not fulfil such		The date of merger.	The date of merger.
	conditions, as prescribed.			
٠.	The specified person has failed to transfer upon dissolution, all its assets to any other registered non-profit		The date of dissolution.	The date on which such period of twelve months expires.
	organisation within twelve months from the end of the month in which the dissolution takes place.			

- (6) The payment of tax on the accreted income by the specified person under this section shall be deemed as the final payment of tax in respect of the said income and no further credit therefor shall be claimed by, or any deduction be allowed to, the specified person or any other person in respect of the amount of tax so paid under any other provision of this Act.
- (7) Where the specified person, or the principal officer or trustee of such specified person, fails to pay the whole or any part of the tax on the accreted income within the time allowed under sub-section (5), such specified person, principal officer or trustee shall be liable to pay simple interest, computed as per the following formula:—

I = 1% of (T\*P)

where,—

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I = interest;

T = tax on accreted income; and

 $P=\mbox{number}$  of months beginning on the date immediately after the last date on which such tax was payable and ending with the date on which the tax is actually paid including part thereof.

- (8) All the provisions of this Act shall apply for the collection and recovery of income-tax in respect of the amount of tax payable by the specified person, principal officer or trustee and the following persons shall be deemed to be assessee in default:—
  - (a) the specified person and principal officer or the trustee of such specified person;
  - (b) the person to whom any asset forming part of the computation of accreted income under sub-section (3) has been transferred, where the tax on accreted income is payable under the cases specified in sub-section (5) (Table: Sl. No. 9).
- (9) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (8), the liability of the person referred to in clause (b) of the said sub-section shall be limited to the extent to which the asset received by him is capable of meeting the liability.

Other violations

- **353**. (1) Where any registered non-profit organisation—
  - (a) fails to maintain books of account under section 347; or
  - (b) fails to get books of account audited under section 348; or
  - (c) fails to furnish its return of income under section 349; or
- (d) any registered non-profit organisation, carrying out advancement of any other object of general public utility, carries out any commercial activity in contravention of the provisions of section 346,

during any tax year, its regular income for such tax year as reduced by the expenditure referred to in sub-section (3) shall be taxable regular income which shall be chargeable to tax as per the provisions of section 334.

- 40 (2) In addition to the tax referred to in sub-section (1), the specified income and residual income of the registered non-profit organisation shall also be chargeable to tax under the provisions of section 334, to the extent not covered under taxable regular income under the said sub-section, and the provisions of section 338 shall not apply.
  - (3) The expenditure referred in sub-section (1) shall be computed subject to the following conditions:—
    - (a) capital expenditure shall not be allowed;

- (b) such expenditure shall be incurred in India;
- (c) such expenditure shall be for the objects of the registered non-profit organisation;
- (*d*) such expenditure is not made from the corpus standing to the credit of the registered non-profit organisation as on the end of the tax year 5 immediately preceding the tax year for which income is being computed;
  - (e) such expenditure is not out of any loan or borrowing;
- (f) the claim of depreciation is not in respect of an asset, acquisition of which has been claimed as application of income, in the same or any other tax year;
- (g) such expenditure is not in the form of any contribution or donation to any person;
- (h) such expenditure is not on account of a payment or aggregate of payments made to a person in contravention to the provisions of sections 36(4), (5), (6) and (7);
  - (i) such payment is allowable under section 35(b)(i); and
- (j) set off or deduction or allowance of any application or expenditure other than those referred to in clauses (a) to (i) shall not be allowed.
  - 6.—Approval for purpose of deduction under section 133(1)(b)(ii)
- **354.** (1) A registered non-profit organisation or a person referred to in Schedule III (Table: Sl. No. 1) may, for the purpose of section 133(1)(b)(ii), make an application for approval in such form and manner, as prescribed, to the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner, subject to the following conditions:—
  - (a) it is not expressed to be for the benefit of any particular religious 25 community or caste;
  - (b) it is established in India for a charitable purpose and does not incur any expenditure of an amount being 5% or more of its total income during a tax year which is of a religious nature;
  - (c) the instrument under which it is constituted does not, or the rules 30 governing it do not, contain any provision for the transfer at any time of the whole or any part of its assets for any purpose other than a charitable purpose;
    - (d) it maintains regular accounts of its receipts and expenditure;
  - (e) it prepares such statement for such period, as prescribed, and deliver or cause to be delivered to the prescribed income-tax authority or the person authorised by such authority such statement in such form and verified in such manner and setting forth such particulars and within such time, as prescribed;
  - (f) it delivers to the said prescribed authority, a correction statement for rectification of any mistake or to add, delete or update the information 40 furnished in the statement delivered under clause (e) in such form and verified in such manner, as prescribed; and
  - (g) it furnishes a certificate to the donor specifying the amount of donation within such period from the date of receipt of the donation containing the requisite particulars in the manner, as prescribed.

Application for approval for purpose of section 133(1)(b)(ii).

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(2) The application under sub-section (I) shall be made in respect of the cases referred to in column B of the Table below within the time limit provided in column C of the said Table and the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner, on receipt of such application, shall follow the procedure provided in sub-sections (3) and (4), and shall pass an order in writing within the time limit provided in column D and approval, if granted, shall be valid for a period provided in column E of the said Table.

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10	Sl. No.	Case	Time limit for furnishing application	Time limit for passing the order	Validity of approval
	A	В	С	D	Е
15 20	1.	Where the activities of the applicant have not commenced.	At any time during the tax year from which approval is sought.	One months from the end of the month in which application is made.	Three tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is made.
25	2.	Where the activities of the applicant have commenced.	At any time during the tax year from which approval is sought.	Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is made.	commencing
30	3.	Where the applicant has provisional approval and activities have commenced.	Within six months of the commencement of activities.	Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is made.	Five tax years commencing from the tax year in which such application is made.
40	4.	Where the provisional approval of the applicant is due to expire and activities have not commenced.	At least six months prior to the expiry of the provisional approval.	Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is made.	Five tax years following the tax year in which such application is made.
45	5.	Where the period for approval of a registered non-profit	At least six months prior to the expiry of the said approval.	Six months from the end of the quarter in which application is	Five tax years following the tax year in which such
50		organisation is due to expire.		made.	application is made.

- (3) Where an application has been made in any of the cases specified under sub-section (2) (Table: Sl. No. 2) to (Table: Sl. No. 5), the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner shall call for such documents or information or make such inquiries as he thinks necessary in order to satisfy himself as to the compliance of such requirements of any other law in force, as are material for the purpose of 5 achieving its objects, and the genuineness of activities and—
  - (a) if he is so satisfied about the objects and the genuineness of the activities and compliance of the requirements of any other law in force, he shall pass an order in writing approving it; or
  - (b) if he is not so satisfied, after affording a reasonable opportunity of  $^{10}$  being heard,—
    - (i) shall pass an order in writing rejecting the application, where the application was made in any of the cases specified in sub-section (2) (Table: Sl. No. 2); and
    - (ii) in any other case, shall pass an order rejecting the application 15 and also cancelling the approval,

and send a copy of the order to the applicant and the Assessing Officer.

(4) Where an application has been made in any of the cases specified in sub-section (2) (Table: Sl. No. 1), the Principal Commissioner or Commissioner shall pass an order granting provisional approval.

### 7.—Interpretation

Interpretation.

#### **355**. In this Part,—

- (a) "anonymous donation" means any voluntary contribution referred to in section 2(49)(c), where a person receiving such contribution does not maintain a record of the identity indicating the name and address of the person 25 making such contribution and such other particulars, as prescribed;
- (b) "approval" means an approval under the second proviso to section 80G(5) of the Income-tax Act, 1961or section 354;

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- (c) "cancellation" includes withdrawal;
- (d) "donation" means any voluntary contribution received by a  $_{30}$  registered non-profit organisation from any person;
- (e) "commercial activity" means any activity in the nature of trade, commerce or business, or any activity of rendering any service in relation to any trade, commerce or business, for a cess or fee or any other consideration, irrespective of the nature of use or application, or retention, of the income from such activity;
- (f) "registration" includes provisional registration, provisional approval or approval, as referred to in the second proviso to sections 10(23C) or 12AB(I) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 and under section 332, but shall not include approval under the second proviso to section 80G(5) of the said Act or section 354;

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- (g) "registered non-profit organisation" means any person having a valid registration under any specified provision and such registration has not been cancelled:
  - (h) "related person" means any of the following persons:—
    - (i) the author or the founder of the registered non-profit organisation; 45
  - (ii) any person whose total contribution to such registered non-profit organisation, during the relevant tax year exceeds one lakh rupees, or, in aggregate up to the end of the relevant tax year exceeds ten lakh rupees, as the case may be;

- (*iii*) where such author, founder or person is a Hindu undivided family, a member of the family;
- (*iv*) any trustee or manager (by whatever name called) of the registered non-profit organisation;
  - (v) any relative of any persons referred to in sub-clause (i), (iii) or (iv);
- (vi) any concern in which any of the persons referred to in sub-clauses (i), (iii) or (iv) has a substantial interest;
- (i) "relative", in relation to an individual, means—
  - (i) spouse of the individual;
  - (ii) brother or sister of the individual;
  - (iii) brother or sister of the spouse of the individual;
  - (iv) any lineal ascendant or descendant of the individual;
  - (v) any lineal ascendant or descendant of the spouse of the individual;
  - (vi) spouse of a person referred to in sub-clause (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v);
- (vii) any lineal descendant of a brother or sister of either the individual or of the spouse of the individual;
- (j) "residual income" means the total income, as reduced by regular income and specified income;
- (k) "specified asset" means any asset which is established to have been directly acquired by the specified person—
  - (i) out of its income of the nature referred to in Schedule II (Table: Sl. No. 1);
  - (ii) during the period beginning from the date of its creation or establishment and ending on the date from which the registration under specified provision became effective, if the specified person has not been allowed any benefit under this Part or under sections 11 and 12 or section 10(23C)(iv) or (v) or (vi) or (via) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 during the said period, where provisions of the first proviso or the second proviso to sub-section 12A(2) or the eighth proviso to clause 10(23C) of the said Act, are not applicable;
  - (iii) during the period beginning from the date of its creation or establishment and ending on the date from which the registration under specified provision became effective due to the provisions of the first proviso or the second proviso to section 12A(2) or the eighth proviso to section 10(23C), where provisions of the first proviso or the second proviso to section 12A(2) or the eighth proviso to section 10(23C), of the Income-tax Act, 1961, are applicable; and
  - (*iv*) which has been transferred to any other specified person within twelve months from the end of the month in which the dissolution takes place in respect of a case specified in section 352(5) (Table: Sl. No. 9);
- (*l*) "specified person" means any person which is registered under any specified provision at any time since its incorporation or creation;
- (m) "specified provision" means section 12A, 12AA or 12AB or section 10(23C) of the Income-tax Act, 1961 or section 332;
  - (n) "substantial interest", in relation to a person in a concern, means—
  - (i) where the concern is a company, its shares (not being shares entitled to a fixed rate of dividend whether with or without a further right to participate in profits) carrying not less than 20% of the voting power are, at any time during the tax year, owned beneficially by such person or partly by such person and partly by one or more of the other related persons; or

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- (ii) in the case of any other concern, if such person is entitled, or such person and one or more of the other related persons are entitled in the aggregate at any time during the tax year, to not less than 20% of the profits of such concern; and
- (*o*) "value" means the value of any benefit or facility granted or provided 5 free of cost or at concessional rate to any related person.

## **CHAPTER XVIII**

### APPEALS, REVISIONS AND ALTERNATE DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS

### A.—Appeals

- I.—Appeals to Joint Commissioner (Appeals) and Commissioner (Appeals)
- **356.** (*1*) Any assessee, aggrieved by any of the following orders of an Assessing Officer (below the rank of Joint Commissioner) may appeal to the Joint Commissioner (Appeals) against—
  - (a) an order being an intimation under section 270(1) or 399(1), where the assessee objects to the making of adjustments; or
  - (b) an order under section 270(10) or 271, where the assessee objects to the amount of income assessed, or to the amount of tax determined, or to the amount of loss computed, or to the status under which he is assessed; or
  - (c) an order of assessment, reassessment or recomputation under section 279; or

(d) an order under section 398; or

- (e) an order imposing penalty under Chapter XXI; or
- (f) an order under section 287 or 288 amending any of the orders or intimations in clauses (a) to (e).
- (2) No appeal shall be filed before the Joint Commissioner (Appeals) if an  $^{25}$  order referred to in sub-section (I) is passed by or with the prior approval of, an income-tax authority above the rank of Deputy Commissioner.
- (3) The Board or an income-tax authority so authorised by the Board in this regard, may transfer—
  - (a) any appeal filed against an order referred to in sub-section (1) and 30 any matter arising out of or connected with such appeal, which is pending before the Commissioner (Appeals), to the Joint Commissioner (Appeals); or
  - (b) any appeal which is pending before a Joint Commissioner (Appeals) and any matter arising out of or connected with such appeal and which is so pending, to the Commissioner (Appeals), regardless of anything contained in  $^{35}$  sub-sections (1) and (3)(a).

who may proceed with such appeal or matter, from the stage at which it was before it was so transferred.

- (4) Where an appeal is transferred under sub-section (3), the appellant shall be given an opportunity of being reheard.
- (5) For the disposal of appeal under this section, the Central Government may notify a scheme, so as to dispose of appeals in an expedient manner with transparency and accountability, by eliminating the interface between the Joint Commissioner (Appeals) and the appellant, to the extent technologically feasible and direct that any of the provisions of this Act relating to jurisdiction and procedure for disposal of such 45 appeals, shall not apply or shall apply with exceptions, modifications and adaptations.
- (6) The Board may specify that any provisions of this section shall not apply to any case or class of cases.
- (7) In this section, "status" means the category of person as defined in section 2(77) under which the assessee is assessed.

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