IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL "A" BENCH, AHMEDABAD

BEFORE SHRI WASEEM AHMED, ACCOUNTANT MEMBER & Ms. MADHUMITA ROY, JUDICIAL MEMBER

I.T.A. No.2316/Ahd/2016 (Assessment Year : 2010-11)

The Asst.CIT Vs. M/s.Inox Leisure Limited

Circle1(1) 2nd Floor Baroda ABS Towers

Old Padra Road, Vadodara [PAN No.AAACI 6063 J]

(Appellant) .. (Respondent)

Appellant by : Shri S.K. Dev, Sr.DR **Respondent by**: Shri Bandish Soparkar, AR

Date of Hearing : 24/08/2018

Date of Pronouncement: 24/08/2018

ORDER

PER Ms. MADHUMITA ROY - JM:

The instant appeal has been filed before us by the Revenue against the order dated 30.06.2016 passed by the Commissioner of Income Tax(Appeals)-1, Vadodara [Ld.CIT(A) in short] for Assessment Year (AY) 2010-11.

- 2. The ground of appeal raised by the Revenue reads as under:-
 - 1. "On the facts and in the circumstances of the case and in law, the Ld. CIT(A) erred in deleting the penalty of Rs.19,48,100/- levied by the AO U/s.271(1)(c) of the Act, without appreciating the fact that the assessee submitted inaccurate particulars of its income amounting to Rs.57,31,329/-on account of entertainment tax."

- 3. At the outset, after going through the grounds of appeal and the impugned orders of the Revenue authorities below, a query was raised by the Bench as to applicability and maintainability of the appeal filed by the Revenue in view of recent CBDT Circular No.3/2018 dated 11.7.2018 restricting the filling of the appeal by the Revenue where the tax effect is below Rs.20 lakhs, the ld.DR did not dispute the same and submitted that the issue is left to the Tribunal to be decided in accordance with law.
- 4. We find that the appeal of the Revenue is presented on 08.09.2016. On 11.7.2018 CBDT has issued Instructions bearing No. the 3 of 2018 under No.F.No.279/Misc.142/2007-ITJ(Pt) prohibiting its subordinate authorities from filing of the appeal to the Tribunal against the order of the CIT(A) where the tax effect by virtue of the relief given by the CIT(A) is less than Rs.20 lakhs. The instructions have been made applicable with retrospective effect, meaning thereby, these instructions are applicable on pending appeals also. In the present case, "tax effect" on the total income assessed minus the tax that would have been chargeable had such total income been reduced by the amount of income in respect of the issue against which appeal is filed, is less than Rs.20 lakhs. Further, the case of the Revenue does not fall within the ambit of exceptions provided in the Circular. Thus, keeping in view the above CBDT circular and provisions of section 268A of the Income Tax Act, we are of the view that the present appeal of the Revenue deserves to be dismissed. It is accordingly dismissed.

However, it is observed that in case on re-verification at the end of the AO it comes to the notice that the tax effect is more or Revenue's case falls within the ambit of exceptions provided in the Circular, then the Department will be at liberty to approach the Tribunal for recall of this order. Such application should be filed within the time

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period prescribed in the Act. In view of the above, the appeal of the Revenue is dismissed due to low tax effect.

5. In the result, the appeal of the Revenue is dismissed.

This Order pronounced in Open Court on

24/08/2018

Sd/-(WASEEM AHMED) ACCOUNTANT MEMBER Sd/-(Ms. MADHUMITA ROY) JUDICIAL MEMBER

Ahmedabad; Dated 24/08/2018

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