

The frequent amendments to the Goods and Services Tax (GST) law have created a challenging environment for tax consultants, making it difficult for them to keep up with the changes and effectively communicate them to their clients. This has resulted in increased complexity and uncertainty for taxpayers, who may inadvertently make mistakes due to the rapid pace of changes.

◆ Proposed solutions:

1. Limit amendments to a maximum of once per quarter, on a fixed date.
2. Provide a 7-day gap between the announcement and implementation of amendments.
3. Simplify language and provide clear explanations of amendments.
4. Offer regular training and updates for officers, their staff and taxpayers.
5. Introduce a system for tracking and documenting amendments.

◆ Benefits:

- ✓ Reduced complexity and uncertainty for taxpayers and tax consultants.
- ✓ Improved compliance and accuracy.
- ✓ Enhanced understanding and communication of amendments.
- ✓ Increased efficiency and productivity for tax consultants.
- ✓ Fairer treatment of taxpayers, who will have sufficient time to adapt to changes.

By implementing these solutions, the GST Council can create a more stable and predictable tax environment, reducing the burden on tax consultants and taxpayers alike.