CHAPTER X REFUND

10.1 Application for refund of tax, interest, penalty, fees or any other amount [Rule 89]

Rule 89(1)	01.07.2017 to 31.12.2021 01.01.2022 to	Any person, except the persons covered under notification issued under section 55, claiming refund of any tax, interest, penalty, fees or any other amount paid by him, other than refund of integrated tax paid on goods exported out of India, may file an application electronically in FORM GST RFD-01 through the common portal, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner: Any person, except the persons covered under notification issued under section 55, claiming refund of any tax, interest, penalty, fees or any other amount paid by him, other than refund of integrated tax paid on goods exported out of India, may file ¹ [subject to the provisions of rule 10B,] an application electronically in FORM GST RFD-01 through the common portal, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner:		
	30.09.2022			
		1 Inserted with effect from 1st day of January, 2022, vide Notification No. 35/2021 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2021 which comes into force vide Notification No. 38/2021 – Central Tax dated 21st December, 2021.		
	01.10.2022 to till date	Any person, except the persons covered under notification issued under section 55,claiming refund of ¹ [any balance in the electronic cash ledger in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 49 or] any tax, interest, penalty, fees or any other amount paid by him, other than refund of integrated tax paid on goods exported out of India, may file [subject to the provisions of rule 10B,] an application electronically in FORM GST RFD-01 through the common portal, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner:		
		Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 19/2022 - Central Tax dated 28.09.2022.		
Proviso	01.07.2017 to 30.09.2022	Provided that any claim for refund relating to balance in the electronic cash ledger in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 49 may be made through the return		

		furnished for the relevant tax period in FORM GSTR-3 or
		FORM GSTR-4 or FORM GSTR-7, as the case may be:
	01.10.2022 to till date	¹ [*****]
		Omitted the proviso w.e.f. 01.10.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 19/2022 - Central Tax dated 28.09.2022. The proviso read as - "Provided that any claim for refund relating to balance in the electronic cash ledger in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 49 may be made through the return furnished for the relevant tax period in FORM GSTR-3 or FORM GSTR-4 or FORM GSTR-7, as the case may be:"
Proviso	01.07.2017 to 30.09.2022	Provided further that in respect of supplies to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer, the application for refund shall be filed by the –
		 (a) supplier of goods after such goods have been admitted in full in the Special Economic Zone for authorised operations, as endorsed by the specified officer of the Zone; (b) supplier of services along with such evidence regarding receipt of services for authorised operations as endorsed by the specified officer of the Zone:
	01.10.2022 to till date	¹ [Provided that] in respect of supplies to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer, the application for refund shall be filed by the –
		 (a) supplier of goods after such goods have been admitted in full in the Special Economic Zone for authorised operations, as endorsed by the specified officer of the Zone; (b) supplier of services along with such evidence regarding receipt of services for authorised operations as endorsed by the specified officer of the Zone:
		Substituted for the words "Provided further that" w.e.f. 01.10.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 19/2022 - Central Tax dated 28.09.2022.

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Proviso	01.07.2017 to 17.10.2017	Provided also that in respect of supplies regarded as deemed exports, the application shall be filed by the recipient of deemed export supplies.		
	18.10.2017 to	¹ [Provided also that in respect of supplies regarded as deemed exports, the application may be filed by, -		
	30.09.2022	(a) the recipient of deemed export supplies; or		
		(b) the supplier of deemed export supplies in cases where the recipient does not avail of input tax credit on such supplies and furnishes an undertaking to the effect that the supplier may claim the refund]		
		Substituted w.e.f. 18 th October 2017 vide Notification No. 47/2017-CT dated 18.10.2017 for third proviso "Provided also that in respect of supplies regarded as deemed exports, the application shall be filed by the recipient of deemed export supplies."		
	01.10.2022 to till date	¹ [Provided further that] in respect of supplies regarded as deemed exports, the application may be filed by, -		
		(a) the recipient of deemed export supplies; or		
		(b) the supplier of deemed export supplies in cases where the recipient does not avail of input tax credit on such supplies and furnishes an undertaking to the effect that the supplier may claim the refund]		
		1 Substituted for the words "Provided also that" w.e.f.		
		01.10.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second		
		Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 19/2022 -		
		Central Tax dated 28.09.2022.		
Proviso	01.07.2017 to	Provided also that refund of any amount, after adjusting the tax payable by the applicant out of the advance tax deposited		
	03.08.2023	by him under section 27 at the time of registration, shall be claimed in the last return required to be furnished by him.		
	04.08.2023	Provided also that refund of any amount, after adjusting the tax payable by the applicant out of the advance tax deposited by him under section 27 at the time of registration, shall be claimed ¹ [only after the last return required to be furnished by him has been so furnished].		
		Substituted w.e.f. 04.08.2023 for the words "in the last return required to be furnished by him" vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 –		
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		Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated
		<u>04.08.2023</u> .
¹ [Explanation	05.07.2022 to till date	For the purposes of this sub-rule, "specified officer" means a "specified officer" or an "authorised officer" as defined under rule 2 of the Special Economic Zone Rules, 2006.]
		1. Inserted w.e.f. 05.07.2022 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
¹ [Rule 89(1A)	24.09.2021 to till date	Any person, claiming refund under section 77 of the Act of any tax paid by him, in respect of a transaction considered by him to be an intra-State supply, which is subsequently held to be an inter-State supply, may, before the expiry of a period of two years from the date of payment of the tax on the inter-State supply, file an application electronically in FORM GST RFD-01 through the common portal, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner:]
		Inserted with effect from 24th September, 2021 vide Notification No. 35/2021 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2021
¹ [Proviso	24.09.2021 to till date	Provided that the said application may, as regard to any payment of tax on inter-State supply before coming into force of this sub-rule, be filed before the expiry of a period of two years from the date on which this sub-rule comes into force.] 1. Inserted with effect from 24th September, 2021 vide Notification No. 35/2021 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2021
Rule 89(2)	01.07.2017 to 31.01.2019	The application under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by any of the following documentary evidences in Annexure 1 in FORM GST RFD-01 , as applicable, to establish that a refund is due to the applicant, namely:-
		the reference number of the order and a copy of the order passed by the proper officer or an appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court resulting in such refund or reference number of the payment of the amount specified in sub-section (6) of section 107 and sub-section (8) of section 112 claimed as refund;
		(b) a statement containing the number and date of shipping bills or bills of export and the number and

	the date of the relevant export invoices, in a case where the refund is on account of export of goods;
(c)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices and the relevant Bank Realisation Certificates or Foreign Inward Remittance Certificates, as the case may be, in a case where the refund is on account of the export of services;
(d)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices as Provided in rule 46 along with the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) in the case of the supply of goods made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
(e)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices, the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) and the details of payment, along with the proof thereof, made by the recipient to the supplier for authorised operations as defined under the Special Economic Zone Act, 2005, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
(f)	a declaration to the effect that the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer has not availed the input tax credit of the tax paid by the supplier of goods or services or both, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer.
(g)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices along with such other evidence as may be notified in this behalf, in a case where the refund is on account of deemed exports;
(h)	a statement containing the number and the date of the invoices received and issued during a tax period in a case where the claim pertains to refund of any unutilised input tax credit under sub-section (3) of section 54 where the credit has accumulated on account of the rate of tax on the inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies, other than nil-rated or fully exempt supplies;
(i)	the reference number of the final assessment order and a copy of the said order in a case where

		the refund arises on account of the finalisation of provisional assessment;
	(j)	a statement showing the details of transactions considered as intra-State supply but which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply;
	(k)	a statement showing the details of the amount of claim on account of excess payment of tax;
	(1)	a declaration to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed does not exceed two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a declaration is not required to be furnished in respect of the cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
	(m)	a Certificate in Annexure 2 of FORM GST RFD-01 issued by a chartered accountant or a cost accountant to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed exceeds two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a certificate is not required to be furnished in respect of cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
01.02.2019 to 24.12.2022	any of t	plication under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by he following documentary evidences in Annexure 1 in GST RFD-01 , as applicable, to establish that a refund o the applicant, namely:-
	(a)	the reference number of the order and a copy of the order passed by the proper officer or an appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court resulting in such refund or reference number of the payment of the amount specified in sub-section (6) of section 107 and sub-section (8) of section 112 claimed as refund;
	(b)	a statement containing the number and date of shipping bills or bills of export and the number and the date of the relevant export invoices, in a case where the refund is on account of export of goods;

(c)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices and the relevant Bank Realisation Certificates or Foreign Inward Remittance Certificates, as the case may be, in a case where the refund is on account of the export of services;
(d)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices as Provided in rule 46 along with the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) in the case of the supply of goods made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
(e)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices, the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) and the details of payment, along with the proof thereof, made by the recipient to the supplier for authorised operations as defined under the Special Economic Zone Act, 2005, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
¹ [(f)	a declaration to the effect that tax has not been collected from the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services or both made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;]
	1 Substituted w.e.f. 01.02.2019 vide Notification No. 03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019 for clause (f) "a declaration to the effect that the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer has not availed the input tax credit of the tax paid by the supplier of goods or services or both, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer."
(g)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices along with such other evidence as may be notified in this behalf, in a case where the refund is on account of deemed exports;
(h)	a statement containing the number and the date of the invoices received and issued during a tax period in a case where the claim pertains to refund

	(i)	of any unutilised input tax credit under sub-section (3) of section 54 where the credit has accumulated on account of the rate of tax on the inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies, other than nil-rated or fully exempt supplies; the reference number of the final assessment
		order and a copy of the said order in a case where the refund arises on account of the finalisation of provisional assessment;
	(j)	a statement showing the details of transactions considered as intra-State supply but which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply;
	(k)	a statement showing the details of the amount of claim on account of excess payment of tax;
	(1)	a declaration to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed does not exceed two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a declaration is not required to be furnished in respect of the cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
	(m)	a Certificate in Annexure 2 of FORM GST RFD-01 issued by a chartered accountant or a cost accountant to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed exceeds two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a certificate is not required to be furnished in respect of cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
05.07.2022 to 25.12.2022	any of t	plication under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by the following documentary evidences in Annexure 1 in GST RFD-01 , as applicable, to establish that a refund to the applicant, namely:-
	(a)	the reference number of the order and a copy of the order passed by the proper officer or an appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court resulting in such refund or reference number of the payment of the amount specified in sub-section (6)

	of section 107 and sub-section (8) of section 112 claimed as refund;
(b)	a statement containing the number and date of shipping bills or bills of export and the number and the date of the relevant export invoices, in a case where the refund is on account of export of goods ¹ [, other than electricity]; 1. Inserted w.e.f. 05.07.2022 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
1[(ba)	a statement containing the number and date of the export invoices, details of energy exported, tariff per unit for export of electricity as per agreement, along with the copy of statement of scheduled energy for exported electricity by Generation Plants issued by the Regional Power Committee Secretariat as a part of the Regional Energy Account (REA) under clause (nnn) of subregulation 1 of Regulation 2 of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Indian Electricity Grid Code) Regulations, 2010 and the copy of agreement detailing the tariff per unit, in case where refund is on account of export of electricity;] 1. Inserted w.e.f. 05.07.2022 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
(c)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices and the relevant Bank Realisation Certificates or Foreign Inward Remittance Certificates, as the case may be, in a case where the refund is on account of the export of services;
(d)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices as Provided in rule 46 along with the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) in the case of the supply of goods made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
(e)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices, the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) and the details of payment, along with the proof thereof, made by the recipient to the supplier for authorised operations as defined under the Special Economic Zone Act, 2005, in a case where

	the refund is on account of supply of services
	made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
[(f)	a declaration to the effect that tax has not been collected from the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services or both made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;]
(g)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices along with such other evidence as may be notified in this behalf, in a case where the refund is on account of deemed exports;
(h)	a statement containing the number and the date of the invoices received and issued during a tax period in a case where the claim pertains to refund of any unutilised input tax credit under sub-section (3) of section 54 where the credit has accumulated on account of the rate of tax on the inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies, other than nil-rated or fully exempt supplies;
(i)	the reference number of the final assessment order and a copy of the said order in a case where the refund arises on account of the finalisation of provisional assessment;
(j)	a statement showing the details of transactions considered as intra-State supply but which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply;
(k)	a statement showing the details of the amount of claim on account of excess payment of tax;
(1)	a declaration to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed does not exceed two lakh rupees:
	Provided that a declaration is not required to be furnished in respect of the cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
(m)	a Certificate in Annexure 2 of FORM GST RFD-01 issued by a chartered accountant or a cost accountant to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case

		where the amount of refund claimed exceeds two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a certificate is not required to be furnished in respect of cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
26.12.2022	The ap	olication under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by
to 03.08.2023	FORM	he following documentary evidences in Annexure 1 in GST RFD-01 , as applicable, to establish that a refund o the applicant, namely:-
	(a)	the reference number of the order and a copy of the order passed by the proper officer or an appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court resulting in such refund or reference number of the payment of the amount specified in sub-section (6) of section 107 and sub-section (8) of section 112 claimed as refund;
	(b)	a statement containing the number and date of shipping bills or bills of export and the number and the date of the relevant export invoices, in a case where the refund is on account of export of goods [, other than electricity];
	[(ba)	a statement containing the number and date of the export invoices, details of energy exported, tariff per unit for export of electricity as per agreement, along with the copy of statement of scheduled energy for exported electricity by Generation Plants issued by the Regional Power Committee Secretariat as a part of the Regional Energy Account (REA) under clause (nnn) of subregulation 1 of Regulation 2 of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Indian Electricity Grid Code) Regulations, 2010 and the copy of agreement detailing the tariff per unit, in case where refund is on account of export of electricity;]
	(c)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices and the relevant Bank Realisation Certificates or Foreign Inward Remittance Certificates, as the case may be, in a case where the refund is on account of the export of services;
	(d)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices as Provided in rule 46 along with the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) in the case of

	the supply of goods made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
(e)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices, the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) and the details of payment, along with the proof thereof, made by the recipient to the supplier for authorised operations as defined under the Special Economic Zone Act, 2005, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
[(f)	a declaration to the effect that tax has not been collected from the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services or both made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;]
(g)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices along with such other evidence as may be notified in this behalf, in a case where the refund is on account of deemed exports;
(h)	a statement containing the number and the date of the invoices received and issued during a tax period in a case where the claim pertains to refund of any unutilised input tax credit under sub-section (3) of section 54 where the credit has accumulated on account of the rate of tax on the inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies, other than nil-rated or fully exempt supplies;
(i)	the reference number of the final assessment order and a copy of the said order in a case where the refund arises on account of the finalisation of provisional assessment;
(j)	a statement showing the details of transactions considered as intra-State supply but which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply;
(k)	a statement showing the details of the amount of claim on account of excess payment of tax;
¹ [(ka	a) a statement containing the details of invoices viz. number, date, value, tax paid and details of payment, in respect of which refund is being claimed along with copy of such invoices, proof of making such payment to the supplier, the copy of agreement or registered agreement or contract, as

	applicable, entered with the supplier for supply of service, the letter issued by the supplier for cancellation or termination of agreement or contract for supply of service, details of payment received from the supplier against cancellation or termination of such agreement along with proof thereof, in a case where the refund is claimed by an unregistered person where the agreement or contract for supply of service has been cancelled or terminated;]
	Inserted w.e.f. 26.12.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 26/2022—Central Tax dated 26 th December 2022.
1[(kt	a certificate issued by the supplier to the effect that he has paid tax in respect of the invoices on which refund is being claimed by the applicant; that he has not adjusted the tax amount involved in these invoices against his tax liability by issuing credit note; and also, that he has not claimed and will not claim refund of the amount of tax involved in respect of these invoices, in a case where the refund is claimed by an unregistered person where the agreement or contract for supply of service has been cancelled or terminated;] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 26.12.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 26/2022—Central Tax dated 26th December 2022.
	a declaration to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed does not exceed two lakh rupees:
	Provided that a declaration is not required to be furnished in respect of the cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
(m)	a Certificate in Annexure 2 of FORM GST RFD-01 issued by a chartered accountant or a cost accountant to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case

		where the amount of refund claimed exceeds two lakh rupees:
		Provided that a certificate is not required to be furnished in respect of cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;
		¹ [Provided further that a certificate is not required to be furnished in cases where refund is claimed by an unregistered person who has borne the incidence of tax.]
		Inserted w.e.f. 26.12.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 26/2022—Central Tax dated 26 th December 2022.
04.08.2023 to till date	any of t	plication under sub-rule (1) shall be accompanied by he following documentary evidences in Annexure 1 in GST RFD-01 , as applicable, to establish that a refund o the applicant, namely:-
	(a)	the reference number of the order and a copy of the order passed by the proper officer or an appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court resulting in such refund or reference number of the payment of the amount specified in sub-section (6) of section 107 and sub-section (8) of section 112 claimed as refund;
	(b)	a statement containing the number and date of shipping bills or bills of export and the number and the date of the relevant export invoices, in a case where the refund is on account of export of goods [, other than electricity];
	[(ba)	a statement containing the number and date of the export invoices, details of energy exported, tariff per unit for export of electricity as per agreement, along with the copy of statement of scheduled energy for exported electricity by Generation Plants issued by the Regional Power Committee Secretariat as a part of the Regional Energy Account (REA) under clause (nnn) of sub regulation 1 of Regulation 2 of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (Indian Electricity Grid Code) Regulations, 2010 and the copy of

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		agreement detailing the tariff per unit, in case where refund is on account of export of electricity;]
	(c)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices and the relevant Bank Realisation Certificates or Foreign Inward Remittance Certificates, as the case may be, in a case where the refund is on account of the export of services;
	(d)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices as Provided in rule 46 along with the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) in the case of the supply of goods made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
	(e)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices, the evidence regarding the endorsement specified in the second proviso to sub-rule (1) and the details of payment, along with the proof thereof, made by the recipient to the supplier for authorised operations as defined under the Special Economic Zone Act, 2005, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of services made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;
	[(f)	a declaration to the effect that tax has not been collected from the Special Economic Zone unit or the Special Economic Zone developer, in a case where the refund is on account of supply of goods or services or both made to a Special Economic Zone unit or a Special Economic Zone developer;]
	(g)	a statement containing the number and date of invoices along with such other evidence as may be notified in this behalf, in a case where the refund is on account of deemed exports;
	(h)	a statement containing the number and the date of the invoices received and issued during a tax period in a case where the claim pertains to refund of any unutilised input tax credit under sub-section (3) of section 54 where the credit has accumulated on account of the rate of tax on the inputs being higher than the rate of tax on output supplies, other than nil-rated or fully exempt supplies;
	(i)	the reference number of the final assessment order and a copy of the said order in a case where the refund arises on account of the finalisation of provisional assessment;

(j)	a statement showing the details of transactions considered as intra-State supply but which is subsequently held to be inter-State supply;
(k)	a statement showing the details of the amount of claim on account of excess payment of tax ¹ [and interest, if any, or any other amount paid];
	Inserted w.e.f. 04.08.2023 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 - Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated 04.08.2023.
[(ka)	a statement containing the details of invoices viz. number, date, value, tax paid and details of payment, in respect of which refund is being claimed along with copy of such invoices, proof of making such payment to the supplier, the copy of agreement or registered agreement or contract, as applicable, entered with the supplier for supply of service, the letter issued by the supplier for cancellation or termination of agreement or contract for supply of service, details of payment received from the supplier against cancellation or termination of such agreement along with proof thereof, in a case where the refund is claimed by an unregistered person where the agreement or contract for supply of service has been cancelled or terminated;]
[(kb)	a certificate issued by the supplier to the effect that he has paid tax in respect of the invoices on which refund is being claimed by the applicant; that he has not adjusted the tax amount involved in these invoices against his tax liability by issuing credit note; and also, that he has not claimed and will not claim refund of the amount of tax involved in respect of these invoices, in a case where the refund is claimed by an unregistered person where the agreement or contract for supply of service has been cancelled or terminated;]
(1)	a declaration to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed does not exceed two lakh rupees:
	Provided that a declaration is not required to be furnished in respect of the cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54;

		(m) a Certificate in Annexure 2 of FORM GST RFD-01 issued by a chartered accountant or a cost accountant to the effect that the incidence of tax, interest or any other amount claimed as refund has not been passed on to any other person, in a case where the amount of refund claimed exceeds two lakh rupees: Provided that a certificate is not required to be furnished in respect of cases covered under clause (a) or clause (b) or clause (c) or clause (d) or clause (f) of sub-section (8) of section 54; ¹[Provided further that a certificate is not required to be furnished in cases where refund is claimed by an unregistered person who has borne the incidence of tax.]
Explanation	01.07.2017 to till date	Explanation.— For the purposes of this rule- (i) in case of refunds referred to in clause (c) of subsection (8) of section 54, the expression "invoice" means invoice conforming to the provisions contained in section 31; (ii) where the amount of tax has been recovered from the recipient, it shall be deemed that the incidence of tax has been passed on to the ultimate consumer.
Rule 89(3)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where the application relates to refund of input tax credit, the electronic credit ledger shall be debited by the applicant by an amount equal to the refund so claimed.
Rule 89(4)	01.07.2017 to 22.10.2017	In the case of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula — Refund Amount = (Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods + Turnover of zero-rated supply of services) x Net ITC ÷Adjusted Total Turnover Where,- (A) "Refund amount" means the maximum refund that is admissible;
		(B) "Net ITC" means input tax credit availed on inputs and input services during the relevant period;
		(C) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods" means the value of zero-rated supply of goods made during the relevant

period without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking;

(D) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of services" means the value of zero-rated supply of services made without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, calculated in the following manner, namely:-

Zero-rated supply of services is the aggregate of the payments received during the relevant period for zero-rated supply of services and zero-rated supply of services where supply has been completed for which payment had been received in advance in any period prior to the relevant period reduced by advances received for zero-rated supply of services for which the supply of services has not been completed during the relevant period;

- (E) "**Adjusted Total turnover**" means the turnover in a State or a Union territory, as defined under ¹[clause] (112) of section 2, excluding the value of exempt supplies other than zero-rated supplies, during the relevant period;
- (F) "**Relevant period**" means the period for which the claim has been filed."
 - 1. Substituted for the word "sub-section", the word "clause" with effect from 1st July, 2017, vide Notification No. 17/2017 Central Tax dated 27th July, 2017.

23.10.2017 to 03.09.2018 ¹[In the case of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula –

Refund Amount = (Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods + Turnover of zero-rated supply of services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover

Where, -

- (A) "Refund amount" means the maximum refund that is admissible;
- (B) "Net ITC" means input tax credit availed on inputs and input services during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;
- (C) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods" means the value of zero-rated supply of goods made during the relevant period without payment of tax under bond or letter of

undertaking, other than the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;

(D) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of services" means the value of zero-rated supply of services made without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, calculated in the following manner, namely:-

Zero-rated supply of services is the aggregate of the payments received during the relevant period for zero-rated supply of services and zero-rated supply of services where supply has been completed for which payment had been received in advance in any period prior to the relevant period reduced by advances received for zero-rated supply of services for which the supply of services has not been completed during the relevant period;

- (E) "Adjusted Total turnover" means the turnover in a State or a Union territory, as defined under clause (112) of section 2, excluding –
- (a) the value of exempt supplies other than zero-rated supplies and
- (b) the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under subrules (4A) or (4B) or both, if any,

during the relevant period;

- (F) "Relevant period" means the period for which the claim has been filed.]
 - Substituted with effect from 23rd October, 2017 for sub-rule (4) vide Notification No. 75/2017- Central Tax dated 29.12.2017,

04.09.2018 to 22.03.2020 In the case of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula –

Refund Amount = (Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods + Turnover of zero-rated supply of services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover

Where, -

- (A) "Refund amount" means the maximum refund that is admissible;
- (B) "Net ITC" means input tax credit availed on inputs and input services during the relevant period other than the input

tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;

- (C) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods" means the value of zero-rated supply of goods made during the relevant period without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, other than the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;
- (D) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of services" means the value of zero-rated supply of services made without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, calculated in the following manner, namely:-

Zero-rated supply of services is the aggregate of the payments received during the relevant period for zero-rated supply of services and zero-rated supply of services where supply has been completed for which payment had been received in advance in any period prior to the relevant period reduced by advances received for zero-rated supply of services for which the supply of services has not been completed during the relevant period;

- ¹[(E) "Adjusted Total Turnover" means the sum total of the value of-
- (a) the turnover in a State or a Union territory, as defined under clause (112) of section 2, excluding the turnover of services; and
- (b) the turnover of zero-rated supply of services determined in terms of clause (D) above and non-zero-rated supply of services,

excluding-

- (i) the value of exempt supplies other than zero-rated supplies; and
- (ii) the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rule (4A) or sub-rule (4B) or both, if any, during the relevant period.']
- (F) "Relevant period" means the period for which the claim has been filed.
 - Substituted w.e.f. 4th September 2018 vide Notification No. 39/2018- Central Tax dated 04.09.2018.

23.03.2020 to 04.07.2022 In the case of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking in accordance with the provisions of subsection (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula –

Refund Amount = (Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods + Turnover of zero-rated supply of services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover

Where, -

- (A) "Refund amount" means the maximum refund that is admissible:
- (B) "Net ITC" means input tax credit availed on inputs and input services during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;
- ¹ [(C) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods" means the value of zero-rated supply of goods made during the relevant period without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking or the value which is 1.5 times the value of like goods domestically supplied by the same or, similarly placed, supplier, as declared by the supplier, whichever is less, other than the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;]
- (D) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of services" means the value of zero-rated supply of services made without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, calculated in the following manner, namely:-

Zero-rated supply of services is the aggregate of the payments received during the relevant period for zero-rated supply of services and zero-rated supply of services where supply has been completed for which payment had been received in advance in any period prior to the relevant period reduced by advances received for zero-rated supply of services for which the supply of services has not been completed during the relevant period;

- [(E) "Adjusted Total Turnover" means the sum total of the value of-
- (a) the turnover in a State or a Union territory, as defined under clause (112) of section 2, excluding the turnover of services; and
- (b) the turnover of zero-rated supply of services determined in terms of clause (D) above and non-zero-rated supply of services,

excluding-

(i) the value of exempt supplies other than zero-rated supplies; and

(ii) the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is
claimed under sub-rule (4A) or sub-rule (4B) or both, if any,
during the relevant period.']

- (F) "Relevant period" means the period for which the claim has been filed.
 - Substituted w.e.f. 23rd March 2020 vide <u>Notification No.</u> 16/2020 – Central Tax dated 23rd March, 2020.

05.07.2022 to till date

In the case of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 16 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula –

Refund Amount = (Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods + Turnover of zero-rated supply of services) x Net ITC ÷Adjusted Total Turnover

Where, -

- (A) "Refund amount" means the maximum refund that is admissible;
- (B) "Net ITC" means input tax credit availed on inputs and input services during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under subrules (4A) or (4B) or both;
- [(C) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of goods" means the value of zero-rated supply of goods made during the relevant period without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking or the value which is 1.5 times the value of like goods domestically supplied by the same or, similarly placed, supplier, as declared by the supplier, whichever is less, other than the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both;]
- (D) "Turnover of zero-rated supply of services" means the value of zero-rated supply of services made without payment of tax under bond or letter of undertaking, calculated in the following manner, namely:-

Zero-rated supply of services is the aggregate of the payments received during the relevant period for zero-rated supply of services and zero-rated supply of services where supply has been completed for which payment had been received in advance in any period prior to the relevant period reduced by advances received for zero-rated supply of services for which the supply of services has not been completed during the relevant period;

- [(E) "Adjusted Total Turnover" means the sum total of the value of-
- (a) the turnover in a State or a Union territory, as defined under clause (112) of section 2, excluding the turnover of services; and
- (b) the turnover of zero-rated supply of services determined in terms of clause (D) above and non-zero-rated supply of services,

excluding-

- (i) the value of exempt supplies other than zero-rated supplies; and
- (ii) the turnover of supplies in respect of which refund is claimed under sub-rule (4A) or sub-rule (4B) or both, if any, during the relevant period.']
- (F) "Relevant period" means the period for which the claim has been filed.
- ¹ [Explanation. For the purposes of this sub-rule, the value of goods exported out of India shall be taken as –
- (i) the Free on Board (FOB) value declared in the Shipping Bill or Bill of Export form, as the case may be, as per the Shipping Bill and Bill of Export (Forms) Regulations, 2017; or
- (ii) the value declared in tax invoice or bill of supply,

whichever is less.]

Inserted w.e.f. 05.07.2022 vide <u>Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022</u>.

Rule 89(4A)	23.10.2017 to till date	¹ [In the case of supplies received on which the supplier has availed the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax dated the 18th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1305 (E) dated the 18th October, 2017, refund of input tax credit, availed in respect of other inputs or input services used in making zero-rated supply of goods or services or both, shall be granted.]
		1 Substituted w.e.f 23.10.2017 vide Notification No. 03/2018- Central Tax dated 23.01.2018. "(4A) In the case of supplies received on which the supplier has availed the benefit of notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax dated 18th October, 2017, refund of input tax credit, availed in respect of other inputs or input services used in making zero-rated supply of goods or services or both, shall be granted." Which was inserted w.e.f 23.10.2017 vide Notification No. 75/2017-Central Tax dated 29.12.2017.
Rule 89(4B)	23.10.2017 to till date	¹[In the case of supplies received on which the supplier has availed the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated the 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1320 (E) dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated the 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1321(E) dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 78/2017- Customs dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E) dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299(E) dated the 13th October, 2017, or all of them, refund of input tax credit, availed in respect of inputs received under the said notifications for export of goods and the input tax credit availed in respect of other inputs or input services to the extent used in making such export of goods, shall be granted."] 1 Substituted w.e.f 23.10.2017 vide Notification No. 03/2018-Central Tax dated 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 23rd October, 2017, or both, refund of input tax credit, availed in respect of inputs received under the

	said notifications for export of goods and the input tax credit availed in respect of other inputs or input services to the extent used in making such export of goods, shall be granted." Which was inserted w.e.f 23.10.2017 vide Notification No. 75/2017- Central Tax dated 29.12.2017.
09.10.2018 to till date	¹ [Where the person claiming refund of unutilised input tax credit on account of zero rated supplies without payment of tax has – (a) received supplies on which the supplier has availed the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1320 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part
	II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R
	1321(E), dated the 23rd October, 2017; or
	(b) availed the benefit of notification No. 78/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E), dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299(E), dated the 13th October, 2017,
	the refund of input tax credit, availed in respect of inputs received under the said notifications for export of goods and the input tax credit availed in respect of other inputs or input services to the extent used in making such export of goods, shall be granted.]]]

		1 Substituted w.e.f. 9 th October 2018 vide Notification No.
		54/2018-CT dated 09.10.2018 for sub-rule (4B),
Rule 89(5)	01.07.2017 to 30.12.2018	¹ [In the case of refund on account of inverted duty structure, refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula:-
		Maximum Refund Amount = {(Turnover of inverted rated supply of goods and services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover} - tax payable on such inverted rated supply of goods and services.
		Explanation: - For the purposes of this sub-rule, the expressions –
		(a) Net ITC shall mean input tax credit availed on inputs during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under subrules (4A) or (4B) or both; and
		(b) Adjusted Total turnover shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in sub-rule (4).
		1 Substituted with effect from 01st July, 2017 vide Notification No. 26/2018-CT dated 13.06.2018 for sub-rule (5), Read
		as- "(5) In the case of refund on account of inverted duty
		structure, refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per
		the following formula:-
		Maximum Refund Amount = {(Turnover of inverted rated
		supply of goods and services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total
		Turnover} - tax payable on such inverted rated supply of goods and services.
		Explanation:- For the purposes of this sub-rule, the
		expressions - (a) "Net ITC" shall mean input tax credit
		availed on inputs during the relevant period other than the
		input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under
		sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both; and (b) "Adjusted Total
		turnover" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in sub-rule (4)." As amended vide Notification No. 21/2018 –
		Central Tax dated 18th April, 2018.
	31.12.2018	In the case of refund on account of inverted duty structure,
	to 04.07.2022	refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula:-
		Maximum Refund Amount = {(Turnover of inverted rated supply of goods and services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover} - tax payable on such inverted rated supply of goods and services.

	Explanation: For the purposes of this sub-rule, the expressions –
	(a) Net ITC shall mean input tax credit availed on inputs during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under subrules (4A) or (4B) or both; and
	(b) ¹ [Adjusted Total turnover" and "relevant period" shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in sub-rule (4).]]
	1 Substituted w.e.f. 31 st December 2018 vide Notification No. 74/2018- Central Tax dated 31.12.2018 for "(b) "Adjusted Total turnover" shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in sub-rule (4)."
05.07.2022 to till date	In the case of refund on account of inverted duty structure, refund of input tax credit shall be granted as per the following formula:- Maximum Refund Amount = {(Turnover of inverted rated supply of goods and services) x Net ITC ÷ Adjusted Total Turnover} -¹[{tax payable on such inverted rated supply of goods and services x (Net ITC' ITC availed on inputs and input services)}.] Explanation:- For the purposes of this sub-rule, the expressions – (a) Net ITC shall mean input tax credit availed on inputs during the relevant period other than the input tax credit availed for which refund is claimed under sub-rules (4A) or (4B) or both; and
	(b) ¹ [Adjusted Total turnover" and "relevant period" shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in sub-rule (4).]] 1. Substituted for the words "tax payable on such inverted rated supply of goods and services" w.e.f. 05.07.2022 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.

10.1.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 89

Section	Particulars

Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.1.2.1 Circulars - Procedure regarding procurement of supplies of goods from DTA by Export Oriented Unit (EOU) / Electronic Hardware Technology Park (EHTP) Unit / Software Technology Park (STP) Unit / Bio-Technology Parks (BTP) Unit under deemed export benefits under section 147 of CGST Act, 2017 - Circular No. 14/14 /2017 - GST dated 6th November, 2017

10.1.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.1.2.3 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims on account of inverted duty structure, deemed exports and excess balance in electronic cash ledger - <u>Circular No.24/24/2017-GST dated 21st December, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.1.2.4 Circulars - Clarifications on exports related refund issues - <u>Circular No. 37/11/2018-GST dated 15th March, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019.</u>

10.1.2.5 Circulars - Clarifications of certain issues under GST - <u>Circular No. 48/22/2018</u>-GST dated 14th June, 2018

10.1.2.6 Circulars - Clarification on removal of restriction on refund of accumulated Input Tax Credit on fabrics - Circular No. 56/30/2018-GST dated 24th August, 2018

10.1.2.7 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues- Circular No. 59/33/2018-GST dated 4th September, 2018 which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019.

10.1.2.8 Circulars - Clarification on certain issues related to refund- <u>Circular No. 70/44/2018 -GST dated 26th October, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.1.2.9 Circulars - Clarifications on refund related issues under GST - <u>Circular No. 94/13/2019-GST dated 28th March, 2019</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.1.2.10 Circulars - Clarification in respect of goods sent/taken out of India for exhibition or on consignment basis for export promotion - Circular No. 108/27/2019-GST dated 18th July, 2019

10.1.2.11 Circulars - Eligibility to file a refund application in FORM GST RFD-01 for a period and category under which a NIL refund application has already been filed - Circular No. 110/29/2019 – GST dated 3rd October, 2019

10.1.2.12 Circulars - Fully electronic refund process through FORM GST RFD-01 and single disbursement - <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u> as modified vide <u>Circular No.135/05/2020 - GST dated 31st March, 2020</u> which was partially modified vide <u>Circular No. 173/05/2022-GST dated 6th July, 2022</u>.

10.1.2.13 Circulars - Clarification on certain refund related issues - <u>Circular No.</u> 166/22/2021-GST dated 17th Nov, 2021

10.1.2.14 Circulars - Clarification on various issue pertaining to GST - Refund claimed by the recipients of supplies regarded as deemed export - Circular No. 172/04/2022-GST dated 6th July, 2022

10.1.2.15 Circulars - Manner of filing refund of unutilized ITC on account of export of electricity - Circular No. 175/07/2022-GST dated 6th July, 2022

10.1.2.16 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues - Circular No. 181/13/2022-GST dated 10th November, 2022

10.1.2.17 Circulars - Prescribing manner of filing an application for refund by unregistered persons - Circular No. 188/20/2022-GST dated 27th December, 2022

10.1.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 89

Forms	Particulars
FORM-GST-RFD-01	Application for Refund (applicable for casual or non-resident
	taxable person, tax deductor, tax collector, un-registered
	person and other registered taxable person)
FORM-GST-RFD-01 A	Application for Refund Application for Refund (manual)
	(applicable for casual taxable person or non-resident taxable
	person, tax deductor, tax collector and other registered taxable
	person)

10.2 Acknowledgement. [Rule 90]

Rule 90(1)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where the application relates to a claim for refund from the electronic cash ledger, an acknowledgement in FORM GST RFD-02 shall be made available to the applicant through the common portal electronically, clearly indicating the date of filing of the claim for refund and the time period specified in sub-section (7) of section 54 shall be counted from such date of filing.
Rule 90(2)	01.07.2017 to till date	The application for refund, other than claim for refund from electronic cash ledger, shall be forwarded to the proper officer who shall, within a period of fifteen days of filing of the said application, scrutinize the application for its completeness and where the application is found to be complete in terms of sub-rule (2), (3) and (4)of rule 89, an acknowledgement in FORM GST RFD-02 shall be made available to the applicant through the common portal electronically, clearly indicating the date of filing of the claim for refund and the time period specified in sub-section (7) of section 54 shall be counted from such date of filing.

Rule 90(3) Proviso	01.07.2017 to till date 18.05.2021 to till date	Where any deficiencies are noticed, the proper officer shall communicate the deficiencies to the applicant in FORM GST RFD-03 through the common portal electronically, requiring him to file a fresh refund application after rectification of such deficiencies. 1[Provided that the time period, from the date of filing of the refund claim in FORM GST RFD-01 till the date of communication of the deficiencies in FORM GST RFD-03 by the proper officer, shall be excluded from the period of two years as specified under sub-section (1) of Section 54, in respect of any such fresh refund claim filed by the applicant after rectification of the deficiencies.] 1. Inserted w.e.f. 18.05.2021 vide Notification No. 15 /2021 – Central Tax dated 18th May, 2021.
Pulo 90(4)	04 07 2017	Where deficiencies have been communicated in EQPM CST
Rule 90(4)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where deficiencies have been communicated in FORM GST RFD-03 under the State Goods and Service Tax Rules, 2017, the same shall also deemed to have been communicated under this rule along with the deficiencies communicated under sub-rule (3).
¹ [Rule 90(5)	18.05.2021 to till date	The applicant may, at any time before issuance of provisional refund sanction order in FORM GST RFD-04 or final refund sanction order in FORM GST RFD-06 or payment order in FORM GST RFD-05 or refund withhold order in FORM GST RFD-07 or notice in FORM GST RFD-08, in respect of any refund application filed in FORM GST RFD-01, withdraw the said application for refund by filing an application in FORM GST RFD-01W.] 1. Inserted w.e.f. 18.05.2021 vide Notification No. 15 /2021 – Central Tax dated 18th May, 2021.
¹ [Rule 90(6)	18.05.2021 to till date	On submission of application for withdrawal of refund in FORM GST RFD-01W, any amount debited by the applicant from electronic credit ledger or electronic cash ledger, as the case may be, while filing application for refund in FORM GST RFD-01, shall be credited back to the ledger from which such debit was made.] 1. Inserted w.e.f. 18.05.2021 vide Notification No. 15 /2021 – Central Tax dated 18th May, 2021.

10.2.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 90

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.2.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - <u>Circular No.</u>
3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017

10.2.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.2.2.3 Circulars - Clarifications on exports related refund issues - <u>Circular No. 37/11/2018-GST dated 15th March, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.2.2.4 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues- Circular No. 59/33/2018-GST dated 4th September, 2018 which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019.

10.2.2.5 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues - <u>Circular No. 79/53/2018-GST dated 31st December, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.2.3. Relevant Forms – Rule 90

Forms	Particulars

FORM GST RFD-01 W	Application for Withdrawal of Refund Application
FORM-GST-RFD-02	Acknowledgment of the Application for Refund
FORM-GST-RFD-03	Deficiency Memo

10.3 Grant of provisional refund. [Rule 91]

Rule 91(1)	01.07.2017 to till date	The provisional refund in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 54 shall be granted subject to the condition that the person claiming refund has, during any period of five years immediately preceding the tax period to which the claim for refund relates, not been prosecuted for any offence under the Act or under an existing law where the amount of tax evaded exceeds two hundred and fifty lakh rupees.
Rule 91(2)	01.07.2017 to till date	The proper officer, after scrutiny of the claim and the evidence submitted in support thereof and on being prima facie satisfied that the amount claimed as refund under subrule (1) is due to the applicant in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 54, shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-04 , sanctioning the amount of refund due to the said applicant on a provisional basis within a period not exceeding seven days from the date of the acknowledgement under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) of rule 90:
Proviso	01.02.2019 to till date	¹ [Provided that the order issued in FORM GST RFD-04 shall not be required to be revalidated by the proper officer.] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 1 st February 2019 vide Notification No. 03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.
Rule 91(3)	01.07.2017 to 23.09.2019 24.09.2019 to till date	The proper officer shall issue a payment advice in FORM GST RFD-05 for the amount sanctioned under sub-rule (2) and the same shall be electronically credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in the application for refund: The proper officer shall issue a ¹[payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 for the amount sanctioned under sub-rule (2) and the same shall be electronically credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in the application for refund ²[on the basis of a consolidated payment advice]: 1 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated

Proviso	01.02.2019 to 23.09.2019	24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice", Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated 28.06.2019. 2 Inserted w.e.f. 24th September 2019 vide Notification No. 49/2019- Central Tax dated 09.10.2019. 1[Provided that the payment advice in FORM GST RFD-05 shall be required to be revalidated where the refund has not been disbursed within the same financial year in which the said payment advice was issued.] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 1st February 2019 vide Notification No. 03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.
	24.09.2019 to till date	[Provided that the ¹[payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 shall be required to be revalidated where the refund has not been disbursed within the same financial year in which the said ²[payment order] was issued.] 1 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice", vide Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated 28.06.2019. 2 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice", vide Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated 28.06.2019.
¹ [Rule 91(4)	24.09.2019 to till date	The Central Government shall disburse the refund based on the consolidated payment advice issued under sub-rule (3).] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 24 th September 2019 vide Notification No. 49/2019- Central Tax dated 09.10.2019.

10.3.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 91

Section	Particulars	
Section 54	Refund of tax	
Section 55	Refund in certain cases	
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds	
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund	

Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.3.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017

10.3.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.3.2.3 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims on account of inverted duty structure, deemed exports and excess balance in electronic cash ledger - <u>Circular No.24/24/2017-GST dated 21st December, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.3.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 91

Forms	Particulars
FORM-GST-RFD-01 B	Refund Order details
FORM-GST-RFD-04	Provisional Refund Order
FORM-GST-RFD-05	Payment Order

10.4 Order sanctioning refund. [Rule 92]

Rule 92(1)	01.07.2017	Where, upon examination of the application, the proper
	to till date	officer is satisfied that a refund under sub-section (5) of
		section 54 is due and payable to the applicant, he shall make
		an order in FORM GST RFD-06 sanctioning the amount of
		refund to which the applicant is entitled, mentioning therein
		the amount, if any, refunded to him on a provisional basis
		under sub-section (6) of section 54, amount adjusted against

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		any outstanding demand under the Act or under any existing law and the balance amount refundable:
Proviso	01.07.2017 to till date	Provided that in cases where the amount of refund is completely adjusted against any outstanding demand under the Act or under any existing law, an order giving details of the adjustment shall be issued in Part A of FORM GST RFD-07 .
	18.05.2021 to till date	1[*****]
		Omitted the proviso w.e.f. 18.05.2021 vide Notification No. 15 /2021 – Central Tax dated 18th May, 2021, read as – "Provided that in cases where the amount of refund is completely adjusted against any outstanding demand under the Act or under any existing law, an order giving details of the adjustment shall be issued in Part A of FORM GST RFD-07."
¹ [Rule 92(1A)	23.03.2020	Where, upon examination of the application of refund of any
	to till date	amount paid as tax other than the refund of tax paid on zero- rated supplies or deemed export, the proper officer is satisfied that a refund under sub-section (5) of section 54 of the Act is due and payable to the applicant, he shall make an order in FORM RFD-06 sanctioning the amount of refund to be paid, in cash, proportionate to the amount debited in cash against the total amount paid for discharging tax liability for the relevant period, mentioning therein the amount adjusted against any outstanding demand under the Act or under any existing law and the balance amount refundable and for the remaining amount which has been debited from the electronic credit ledger for making payment of such tax, the proper officer shall issue FORM GST PMT-03 re-crediting the said amount as Input Tax Credit in electronic credit ledger.] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 23 rd March 2020 vide Notification No. 16/2020 – Central Tax dated 23rd March, 2020.

Rule 92(2)	01.07.2017	Where the proper officer or the Commissioner is of the
	to 17.05.2021	opinion that the amount of refund is liable to be withheld
		under the provisions of sub-section (10) or, as the case may
		be, sub-section (11) of section 54, he shall pass an order in
		Part B of FORM GST RFD-07 informing him the reasons for
		withholding of such refund.
	18.05.2021	Where the proper officer or the Commissioner is of the
	to till date	opinion that the amount of refund is liable to be withheld
		under the provisions of sub-section (10) or, as the case may
		be, sub-section (11) of section 54, he shall pass an order in
		¹ [Part A] of FORM GST RFD-07 informing him the reasons
		for withholding of such refund.
		1. Substituted for the word and letter "Part B" w.e.f.
		18.05.2021 vide Notification No. 15 /2021 – Central Tax
		dated 18th May, 2021.
Proviso	18.05.2021	¹ [Provided that where the proper officer or the
FIOVISO	to till date	¹ [Provided that where the proper officer or the Commissioner is satisfied that the refund is no longer liable
		to be withheld, he may pass an order for release of withheld
		refund in Part B of FORM GST RFD- 07 .]
		retaind in Fait B of Forting COT KI B- 07.]
		1. Inserted the proviso w.e.f. 18.05.2021 vide Notification No.
		15 /2021 – Central Tax dated 18th May, 2021.
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Rule 92(3)	to till date	Where the proper officer is satisfied, for reasons to be
		recorded in writing, that the whole or any part of the amount
		claimed as refund is not admissible or is not payable to the
		applicant, he shall issue a notice in FORM GST RFD-08 to
		the applicant, requiring him to furnish a reply in FORM GST
		RFD-09 within a period of fifteen days of the receipt of such
		notice and after considering the reply, make an order in
		FORM GST RFD-06 sanctioning the amount of refund in
		whole or part, or rejecting the said refund claim and the said
		order shall be made available to the applicant electronically
		and the provisions of sub-rule (1) shall, mutatis mutandis,
		apply to the extent refund is allowed:

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Proviso	01.07.2017 to till date	Provided that no application for refund shall be rejected without giving the applicant an opportunity of being heard.
Rule 92(4)	01.07.2017 to 23.09.2019	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount refundable under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) is payable to the applicant under sub-section (8) of section 54, he shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-06 and issue a payment advice
		in FORM GST RFD-05 for the amount of refund and the
		same shall be electronically credited to any of the bank
		accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration
		particulars and as specified in the application for refund:
	24.09.2019	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount
	to 22.03.2020	refundable under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) is payable to the
		applicant under sub-section (8) of section 54, he shall make
		an order in FORM GST RFD-06 and issue a ¹ [payment order]
		in FORM GST RFD-05 for the amount of refund and the
		same shall be electronically credited to any of the bank
		accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration
		particulars and as specified in the application for refund ² [on
		the basis of a consolidated payment advice]:
		Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice", vide Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated 28.06.2019.
		 Inserted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated
		24th September, 2019, vide Notification No. 31/2019 –
		Central Tax dated 28.06.2019.
	23.03.2020	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount
	to till date	refundable under sub-rule (1) ¹[or sub-rule (1A)] or sub-rule
		(2) is payable to the applicant under sub-section (8) of
		section 54, he shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-06
		and issue a [payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 for the
		amount of refund and the same shall be electronically
		credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant

		mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in
		the application for refund [on the basis of a consolidated
		payment advice]:
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		1. Inserted w.e.f. 23 rd March 2020 vide Notification No.
		16/2020 - Central Tax dated 23rd March, 2020.
Proviso	01.02.2019	¹ [Provided that the order issued in FORM GST RFD-06 shall
	to till date	not be required to be revalidated by the proper officer:
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 1st February 2019 vide Notification No.
		03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.
Proviso	01.02.2019	¹ [Provided further that the payment advice in FORM GST
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	23.09.2019	RFD-05 shall be required to be revalidated where the refund
		has not been disbursed within the same financial year in
		which the said payment advice was issued.]
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 1 st February 2019 vide Notification No.
		03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.
	24.09.2019	[Provided further that the ¹[payment order] in FORM GST
	to till date	·
		RFD-05 shall be required to be revalidated where the refund
		has not been disbursed within the same financial year in
		which the said ² [payment order] was issued.]
		1 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019
		notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 - Central Tax dated
		24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice",
		vide Notification No. 31/2019 - Central Tax dated
		<u>28.06.2019</u> .
		2 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019
		notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated
		24th September, 2019, for the words "payment advice",
		vide Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated
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¹ [Rule 92(4A)	01.07.2017 to till date	The Central Government shall disburse the refund based on
	io iiii dale	the consolidated payment advice issued under sub-rule (4).]
		1 Inserted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019
		notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated
		24th September, 2019, vide Notification No. 31/2019 –
		Central Tax dated 28.06.2019.
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Rule 92(5)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount refundable under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) is not payable to the applicant under sub-section (8) of section 54, he shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-06 and issue an advice in FORM GST RFD-05 , for the amount of refund to be credited to the Consumer Welfare Fund.
	24.09.2019 to 22.03.2020	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount refundable under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2) is not payable to the applicant under sub-section (8) of section 54, he shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-06 and issue ¹ [a payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05, for the amount of refund to be credited to the Consumer Welfare Fund. 1 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019 notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2019, for the words "an advice", vide Notification No. 31/2019 – Central Tax dated 28.06.2019.
	23.03.2020 to till date	Where the proper officer is satisfied that the amount refundable under sub-rule (1) ¹ [or sub-rule (1A)] or sub-rule (2) is not payable to the applicant under sub-section (8) of section 54, he shall make an order in FORM GST RFD-06 and issue [a payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 , for the amount of refund to be credited to the Consumer Welfare Fund. 1 Inserted w.e.f. 23 rd March 2020 vide Notification No. 16/2020 – Central Tax dated 23rd March, 2020.

10.4.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 92

Section	Particulars	
Section 54	Refund of tax	
Section 55	Refund in certain cases	
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds	
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund	

Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.4.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017

10.4.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.4.2.3 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims on account of inverted duty structure, deemed exports and excess balance in electronic cash ledger - <u>Circular No.24/24/2017-GST dated 21st December, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.3.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 91

Forms	Particulars
FORM-GST-RFD-01 B	Refund Order details
FORM-GST-RFD-05	Payment Order
FORM-GST-RFD-06	Refund Sanction/Rejection Order
FORM-GST-RFD-07	Order for Complete adjustment of sanctioned Refund
FORM-GST-RFD-08	Notice for rejection of the application for refund
FORM-GST-RFD-09	Reply to the Show Cause Notice

10.5 Credit of the amount of rejected refund claim. [Rule 93]

Rule 93(1)	01.07.2017	Where any deficiencies have been communicated under
	to till date	sub-rule (3) of rule 90, the amount debited under sub-rule (3)
		of rule 89 shall be re-credited to the electronic credit ledger.

Rule 93(1)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where any amount claimed as refund is rejected under rule 92, either fully or partly, the amount debited, to the extent of rejection, shall be re-credited to the electronic credit ledger by an order made in FORM GST PMT-03 .
Explanation	01.07.2017 to till date	For the purposes of this rule, a refund shall be deemed to be rejected, if the appeal is finally rejected or if the claimant gives an undertaking in writing to the proper officer that he shall not file an appeal.

10.5.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 93

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.5.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017

10.5.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.5.2.3 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues- <u>Circular No. 59/33/2018-GST dated 4th September, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.5.2.4 Circulars - Procedure to claim refund in FORM GST RFD-01 subsequent to favourable order in appeal or any other forum - <u>Circular No. 111/30/2019 - GST dated</u> 3rd October, 2019

10.6 Order sanctioning interest on delayed refunds. [Rule 94]

Rule 94	01.07.2017 to 23.09.2019	Where any interest is due and payable to the applicant under section 56, the proper officer shall make an order along with a payment advice in FORM GST RFD-05 , specifying therein the amount of refund which is delayed, the period of delay for which interest is payable and the amount of interest payable, and such amount of interest shall be electronically credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in the application for refund.
Rule 94	24.09.2019 to 30.09.2023	Where any interest is due and payable to the applicant under section 56, the proper officer shall make an order along with a ¹ [payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 , specifying therein the amount of refund which is delayed, the period of delay for which interest is payable and the amount of interest payable, and such amount of interest shall be electronically credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in the application for refund.
		Notes
		1 Substituted with effect from 24th day of September, 2019
		notified vide Notification No. 42/2019 – Central Tax dated
		<u>24th September, 2019</u> , vide <u>Notification No. 31/2019 –</u> <u>Central Tax dated 28.06.2019</u> for the words "payment
		advice".

Rule 94 ¹ [(1)]	01.10.2023 till further amendment	Where any interest is due and payable to the applicant under section 56, the proper officer shall make an order along with a ¹ [payment order] in FORM GST RFD-05 , specifying therein the amount of refund which is delayed, the period of delay for which interest is payable and the amount of interest payable, and such amount of interest shall be electronically credited to any of the bank accounts of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as specified in the application for refund.]
		Rule 94 shall be renumbered as sub-rule (1) w.e.f. 01.10.2023 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 – Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated 04.08.2023.

1rp. de 04/0\	04.40.2022	The following periods shall not be included in the residual of
¹ [Rule 94(2)	01.10.2023	The following periods shall not be included in the period of
	till further	delay under sub-rule (1), namely:-
	amendment	(a) any period of time beyond fifteen days of receipt of notice in FORM GST RFD-08 under sub-rule (3) of rule 92, that the applicant takes to- (i) furnish a reply in FORM GST RFD-09, or (ii) submit additional documents or reply; and (b) any period of time taken either by the applicant for furnishing the correct details of the bank account to which the refund is to be credited or for validating the details of the bank account so furnished, where the amount of refund sanctioned could not be credited to the bank account furnished by the applicant.] 1. To be inserted w.e.f. 01.10.2023 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 – Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated 04.08.2023.

10.6.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 94

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.6.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - <u>Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017</u>

10.6.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.6.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 94

Forms	Particulars
FORM-GST-RFD-05	Payment Order

10.7 Refund of tax to certain persons. [Rule 95]

Rule 95(1)	01.07.2017 to 28.12.2017	Any person eligible to claim refund of tax paid by him on his inward supplies as per notification issued section 55 shall apply for refund in FORM GST RFD-10 once in every quarter, electronically on the common portal, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner, along with a statement of the inward supplies of goods or services or both in FORM GSTR-11 , prepared on the basis of the statement of the outward supplies furnished by the corresponding suppliers in FORM GSTR-1 .
	29.12.2017 to till date	¹ [Any person eligible to claim refund of tax paid by him on his inward supplies as per notification issued under section 55 shall apply for refund in FORM GST RFD-10 once in every quarter, electronically on the common portal or otherwise, either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner, along with a statement of the inward supplies of goods or services or both in FORM GSTR-11 .] 1 Substituted w.e.f. 29 th December 2017 vide Notification No. 75/2017- Central Tax dated 29.12.2017
Rule 95(2)	01.07.2017 to till date	An acknowledgement for the receipt of the application for refund shall be issued in FORM GST RFD-02 .
Rule 95(3)	01.07.2017 to till date	The refund of tax paid by the applicant shall be available if-

Proviso	01.04.2021 to till date	the inward supplies of goods or services or both were received from a registered person against a tax invoice;] (b) name and Goods and Services Tax Identification Number or Unique Identity Number of the applicant is mentioned in the tax invoice; and (c) such other restrictions or conditions as may be specified in the notification are satisfied. 1 Substituted with effect from 01st July, 2017 for clause (a), read as "[(a) the inward supplies of goods or services or both were received from a registered person against a tax invoice [******]." vide Notification No. 26/2018-CT dated 13.06.2018.
		if the copy of the invoice, duly attested by the authorized representative of the applicant, is submitted along with the refund application in FORM GST RFD-10 .]
		Inserted and shall be deemed to have been inserted with effect from the 1st day of April, 2021 vide Notification No. 40/2021 – Central Tax dated 29th December, 2021.
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Rule 95(4)	01.07.2017 to till date	The provisions of rule 92 shall, mutatis mutandis, apply for the sanction and payment of refund under this rule.
Rule 95(5)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where an express provision in a treaty or other international agreement, to which the President or the Government of India is a party, is inconsistent with the provisions of this Chapter, such treaty or international agreement shall prevail.

10.7.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 95

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases

Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.7.2.1 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.7.2.2 Circulars - Processing of refund applications for UIN entities - <u>Circular No.</u> 36/10/2018-GST dated 13th March, 2018

10.7.2.3 Circulars - Processing of refund applications filed by Canteen Stores

Department (CSD) - Circular No. 60/34/2018-GST dated 4th September, 2018

10.7.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 95

Forms	Particulars
FORM-GST-RFD-02	Acknowledgment of the Application for Refund
FORM-GST-RFD-10	Application for Refund by any specialized agency of UN or any Multilateral Financial Institution and Organization, Consulate or Embassy of foreign countries, etc.
FORM-GST-RFD-11	Furnishing of bond or Letter of Undertaking for export of goods or services

10.8 Refund of taxes to the retail outlets established in departure area of an international Airport beyond immigration counters making tax free supply to an outgoing international tourist. [Rule 95A]

Rule 95A	Inserted	(1) Retail outlet established in departure area of an
	with effect	international airport, beyond the immigration counters,
	from the 1st	supplying indigenous goods to an outgoing international
	day of	
	July,2019	

vide Notification No. 31/2019 -**Central Tax** dated 28.06.2019. Further. Omitted w.e.f. 01.07.2019 and shall be deemed to have been omitted with effect from the 1st July, 2019 vide Notification No. 14/2022 -Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.

tourist who is leaving India shall be eligible to claim refund of tax paid by it on inward supply of such goods.

- (2) Retail outlet claiming refund of the taxes paid on his inward supplies, shall furnish the application for refund claim in **FORM GST RFD-10B** on a monthly or quarterly basis, as the case may be, through the common portal either directly or through a Facilitation Centre notified by the Commissioner.
- (3) The self-certified compiled information of invoices issued for the supply made during the month or the quarter, as the case may be, along with concerned purchase invoice shall be submitted along with the refund application.
- (4) The refund of tax paid by the said retail outlet shall be available if-

(a)	the inward supplies of goods were received by the said retail outlet from a registered person against a tax invoice;
(b)	the said goods were supplied by the said retail outlet to an outgoing international tourist against foreign exchange without charging any tax;
(c)	name and Goods and Services Tax Identification Number of the retail outlet is mentioned in the tax invoice for the inward supply; and
(d)	such other restrictions or conditions, as may be specified, are satisfied.

(5) The provisions of rule 92 shall, mutatis mutandis, apply for the sanction and payment of refund under this rule.

Explanation.- For the purposes of this rule, the expression "outgoing international tourist" shall mean a person not normally resident in India, who enters India for a stay of not more than six months for legitimate non-immigrant purposes.]"

10.8.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 95A

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases

Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.8.2.1 Circulars - Refund of taxes paid on inward supply of indigenous goods by retail outlets established at departure area of the international airport beyond immigration counters when supplied to outgoing international tourist against foreign exchange - Circular No. 106/25/2019-GST dated 29th June, 2019 which is withdrawn vide Circular No. 176/08/2022-GST dated 6th July, 2022

10.8.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 95A

Forms	Particulars
FORM GST RFD-10B	Application for refund by Duty Free Shops/Duty Paid Shops
	(Retail outlets)

10.9 Refund of integrated tax paid on goods ¹[or services] exported out of India. [Rule 96]

Notes

1 Inserted w.e.f. 23rd October 2017 vide Notification No. 75/2017- Central Tax dated 29.12.2017.

Rule 96(1)	01.07.2017 to 22.10.2017	an app	lipping bill filed by an exporter shall be deemed to be lication for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods ed out of India and such application shall be deemed be been filed only when:-
		(a)	the person in charge of the conveyance carrying the export goods duly files an export manifest or an export report covering the number and the date of shipping bills or bills of export; and
		(b)	¹ [the applicant has furnished a valid return in FORM GSTR-3B:
			Provided that if there is any mismatch between the data furnished by the exporter of goods in Shipping Bill and those furnished in statement of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1, such application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India shall be deemed to have been filed on such date when such mismatch in

	respect of the said shipping bill is rectified by the exporter;];
	Substituted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 for clause (b), read as -"the applicant has furnished a valid return in FORM GSTR-3 or FORM GSTR-3B, as the case may be;" vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
23.10.2017 to 30.12.2018	The shipping bill filed by ¹ [an exporter of goods] shall be deemed to be an application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India and such application shall be deemed to have been filed only when:-
	(a) the person in charge of the conveyance carrying the export goods duly files an export manifest or an export report covering the number and the date of shipping bills or bills of export; and
	(b) [the applicant has furnished a valid return in FORM GSTR-3B:
	Provided that if there is any mismatch between the data furnished by the exporter of goods in Shipping Bill and those furnished in statement of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1 , such application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India shall be deemed to have been filed on such date when such mismatch in respect of the said shipping bill is rectified by the exporter;];
	Substituted w.e.f. 23 rd October 2017 for the words "an exporter" vide Notification No. 03/2018- Central Tax dated 23.01.2018
31.12.2018 to 31.12.2021	The shipping bill filed by [an exporter of goods] shall be deemed to be an application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India and such application shall be deemed to have been filed only when:-
	(a) the person in charge of the conveyance carrying the export goods duly files ¹[a departure manifest or] an export manifest or an export report covering the number and the date of shipping bills or bills of export; and
	(b) [the applicant has furnished a valid return in FORM GSTR-3B:

	Provided that if there is any mismatch between the data furnished by the exporter of goods in Shipping Bill and those furnished in statement of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1, such application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India shall be deemed to have been filed on such date when such mismatch in respect of the said shipping bill is rectified by the exporter;];
	1 Inserted w.e.f. 31 st December 2018 vide Notification No. 74/2018- Central Tax dated 31.12.2018.
01.01.2022 to till date	The shipping bill filed by [an exporter of goods] shall be deemed to be an application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India and such application shall be deemed to have been filed only when:-
	(a) the person in charge of the conveyance carrying the export goods duly files [a departure manifest or] an export manifest or an export report covering the number and the date of shipping bills or bills of export; and
	(b) [the applicant has furnished a valid return in FORM GSTR-3B: Provided that if there is any mismatch between the data furnished by the exporter of goods in Shipping Bill and those furnished in statement of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1, such application for refund of integrated tax paid on the goods exported out of India shall be deemed to have been filed on such date when such mismatch in respect of the said shipping bill is rectified by the exporter;];
	¹ [(c) the applicant has undergone Aadhaar authentication in the manner provided in rule 10B;]
	Inserted with effect from 1st day of January, 2022, vide Notification No. 35/2021 – Central Tax dated 24th September, 2021 which comes into force vide Notification No. 38/2021 – Central Tax dated 21st December, 2021.

Rule 96(2)	01.07.2017	The details of the relevant export invoices contained in
	to till date	FORM GSTR-1 shall be transmitted electronically by the common portal to the system designated by the Customs and the said system shall electronically transmit to the common portal, a confirmation that the goods covered by the said invoices have been exported out of India.
	23.10.2017 to till date	The details of the ¹ [relevant export invoices in respect of export of goods] contained in FORM GSTR-1 shall be transmitted electronically by the common portal to the system designated by the Customs and the said system shall electronically transmit to the common portal, a confirmation that the goods covered by the said invoices have been exported out of India.
		Substituted w.e.f. 23 rd October 2017 for the words "relevant export invoices" vide Notification No. 03/2018- Central Tax dated 23.01.2018
Proviso	28.10.2017 to 03.08.2023	¹ [Provided that where the date for furnishing the details of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1 for a tax period has been extended in exercise of the powers conferred under section 37 of the Act, the supplier shall furnish the information relating to exports as specified in Table 6A of FORM GSTR-1 after the return in FORM GSTR-3B has been furnished and the same shall be transmitted electronically by the common portal to the system designated by the Customs:] 1
	04.08.2023 to till date	1. Omitted the provisos w.e.f. 04.08.2023 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 – Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated 04.08.2023.
Proviso	28.10.2017 to	¹ [Provided further that the information in Table 6A furnished under the first proviso shall be auto-drafted in
	03.08.2023	FORM GSTR-1 for the said tax period.]
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 28 th October 2017 vide Notification No. 51/2017- Central Tax dated 28.10.2017
	04.08.2023 to till date	1[*****] 1. Omitted the provisos w.e.f. 04.08.2023 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2023 –

		Notification No. No. 38/2023- Central Tax dated 04.08.2023.
Rule 96(3)	01.07.2017 to 22.10.2017	Upon the receipt of the information regarding the furnishing of a valid return in FORM GSTR3 or FORM GSTR-3B, as the case may be from the common portal, the system designated by the Customs shall process the claim for refund and an amount equal to the integrated tax paid in respect of each shipping bill or bill of export shall be electronically credited to the bank account of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as intimated to the Customs authorities.
	23.10.2017 to 30.09.2022	Upon the receipt of the information regarding the furnishing of a valid return in FORM GSTR3 or FORM GSTR-3B, as the case may be from the common portal, ¹[the system designated by the Customs or the proper officer of Customs, as the case may be, shall process the claim of refund in respect of export of goods] and an amount equal to the integrated tax paid in respect of each shipping bill or bill of export shall be electronically credited to the bank account of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as intimated to the Customs authorities.
		Substituted w.e.f. 23 rd October 2017 for the words "the system designated by the Customs shall process the claim for refund" vide Notification No. 03/2018- Central Tax dated 23.01.2018.
	01.10.2022 to till date	Upon the receipt of the information regarding the furnishing of a valid return in ¹ [FORM GSTR-3B] from the common portal, [the system designated by the Customs or the proper officer of Customs, as the case may be, shall process the claim of refund in respect of export of goods] and an amount equal to the integrated tax paid in respect of each shipping bill or bill of export shall be electronically credited to the bank account of the applicant mentioned in his registration particulars and as intimated to the Customs authorities.
		1 Substituted for the words, letters and figures, "FORM GSTR3 or FORM GSTR-3B, as the case may be", w.e.f. 01.10.2022 vide Central Goods and Services Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2022 - Notification No. 19/2022 - Central Tax dated 28.09.2022.
Rule 96(4)	01.07.2017 to till date	The claim for refund shall be withheld where,- (a) a request has been received from the jurisdictional Commissioner of central tax, State tax or Union territory tax to withhold the payment of refund due

		to the person claiming refund in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (10) or sub-section (11) of section 54; or (b) the proper officer of Customs determines that the goods were exported in violation of the provisions of the Customs Act, ¹ [1962 or]. ²[(c) the Commissioner in the Board or an officer authorised by the Board, on the basis of data analysis and risk parameters, is of the opinion that verification of credentials of the exporter, including the availment of ITC by the exporter, is considered essential before grant of refund, in order to safeguard the interest of revenue.]
		 Substituted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 for the figures "1962" vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022. Inserted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
Rule 96(5)	01.07.2017 to till date	1. Omitted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 sub-rule (5) vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022. Sub-rule (5) read as-"Where refund is withheld in accordance with the provisions of clause (a) of sub-rule (4), the proper officer of integrated tax at the Customs station shall intimate the applicant and the jurisdictional Commissioner of central tax, State tax or Union territory tax, as the case may be, and a copy of such intimation shall be transmitted to the common portal."
Rule 96(5A)	01.07.2017 to till date	¹[Where refund is withheld in accordance with the provisions of clause (a) or clause (c) of sub-rule (4), such claim shall be transmitted to the proper officer of Central tax, State tax or Union territory tax, as the case may be, electronically through the common portal in a system generated FORM GST RFD-01 and the intimation of such transmission shall also be sent to the exporter electronically through the common portal, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other rule, the said system generated form shall be deemed to be the application for refund in such cases and shall be deemed to have been filed on the date of such transmission.

		1 Inserted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
Rule 96(5B)	01.07.2017 to till date	¹[Where refund is withheld in accordance with the provisions of clause (b) of sub-rule (4) and the proper officer of the Customs passes an order that the goods have been exported in violation of the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962), then, such claim shall be transmitted to the proper officer of Central tax, State tax or Union territory tax, as the case may be, electronically through the common portal in a system generated FORM GST RFD-01 and the intimation of such transmission shall also be sent to the exporter electronically through the common portal, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other rule, the said system generated form shall be deemed to be the application for refund in such cases and shall be deemed to have been filed on the date of such transmission. 1 Inserted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
Rule 96(5C)	01.07.2017 to till date	¹ [The application for refund in FORM GST RFD-01 transmitted electronically through the common portal in terms of sub-rules (5A) and (5B) shall be dealt in accordance with the provisions of rule 89.]
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022.
Rule 96(6)	01.07.2017 to till date	1 [*****] 1. Omitted sub-rule (6) w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022. Sub rule read as- "(6) Upon transmission of the intimation under sub-rule (5), the proper officer of central tax or State tax or Union territory tax, as the case may be, shall pass an order in Part A of FORM GST RFD-07."
Rule 96(7)	01.07.2017 to till date	1. Omitted sub-rule (7) w.e.f. 01.07.2017 vide Notification No. 14/2022 – Central Tax dated 05.07.2022. Sub rule read as- "(7) Where the applicant becomes entitled to refund of the amount withheld under clause (a) of sub-rule (4), the concerned jurisdictional officer of central tax, State tax or Union territory tax, as the case may be, shall

Rule 96(8)	01.07.2017	proceed to refund the amount [by passing an order in "FORM GST RFD-06 after passing an order for release of withheld refund in Part B of FORM GST RFD-07.]" The Central Government may pay refund of the integrated
	to till date	tax to the Government of Bhutan on the exports to Bhutan for such class of goods as may be notified in this behalf and where such refund is paid to the Government of Bhutan, the exporter shall not be paid any refund of the integrated tax.
Rule 96(9)	23.10.2017 to till date	¹ [The application for refund of integrated tax paid on the services exported out of India shall be filed in FORM GST RFD-01 and shall be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of rule 89.] 1 Substituted w.e.f. 23 rd October 2017 vide Notification No. 03/2018- Central Tax dated 23.01.2018. read as- The persons claiming refund of integrated tax paid on export of goods or services should not have received supplies on which the supplier has availed the benefit of notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax dated 18th October, 2017 or notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017- Integrated Tax (Rate) dated 23rd October, 2017, which was inserted for sub-rule (9) with effect from 23rd October, 2017 vide Notification No. 75/2017 – Central Tax dated 29th December, 2017,
Rule 96(10)	23.10.2017 to 08.10.2018	The persons claiming refund of integrated tax paid on exports of goods or services should not have received supplies on which the supplier has availed the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax, dated the 18th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1305 (E), dated the 18th October, 2017 or notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1320 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1321 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 78/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E), dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017- Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299 (E) dated the 13th October, 2017."

- Substituted with effect from 23rd October, 2017 vide <u>Notification No. 53/2018-Central Tax (Dated 9th October, 2018)</u>, read as - "(10) The persons claiming refund of integrated tax paid on exports of goods or services should not have -
 - (a) received supplies on which the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax, dated the 18th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i),vide number G.S.R 1305 (E), dated the 18th October, 2017 or notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i),vide number G.S.R 1320 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1321 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 has been availed; or
 - (b) availed the benefit under notification No. 78/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Subsection (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E), dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299 (E), dated the 13th October, 2017." Which was inserted with effect from 23rd October, 2017 vide Notification No. 39/2018-Central Tax (Dated 04th September, 2018) to substitute 96(10) which was originally inserted with effect from 23rd October, 2017 vide Notification No.03/2018 - Central Tax (Dated 23rd January, 2018) and read as - ""(10) The persons claiming refund of integrated tax paid on exports of goods or services should not have received supplies on which the supplier has availed the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 48/2017- Central Tax dated the 18th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1305 (E) dated the 18th October, 2017 or notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate) 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1320 (E)

dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate) dated the 23rd October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1321 (E) dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 78/2017-Customs dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Subsection (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E) dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs dated the 13th October, 2017 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299 (E) dated the 13th October, 2017.

09.10.2018 to till date

¹ [The persons claiming refund of integrated tax paid on exports of goods or services should not have –

- received supplies on which the benefit of the Government of India, Ministry of Finance notification No. 48/2017-Central Tax, dated the 18th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1305 (E), dated the 18th October, 2017 except so far it relates to receipt of capital goods by such person against Export Promotion Capital Goods Scheme or notification No. 40/2017-Central Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1320 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 or notification No. 41/2017-Integrated Tax (Rate), dated the 23rd October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1321 (E), dated the 23rd October, 2017 has been availed; or
- (b) availed the benefit under notification No. 78/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1272(E), dated the 13th October, 2017 or notification No. 79/2017-Customs, dated the 13th October, 2017, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R 1299 (E), dated the 13th October, 2017 except so far it relates to receipt of capital goods by such person against Export Promotion Capital Goods Scheme.]

		1 Substituted w.e.f. 9 th October 2018 vide Notification No.
		54/2018-CT dated 09.10.2018
¹ [Explanation	23.10.2017	For the purpose of this sub-rule, the benefit of the notifications mentioned therein shall not be considered to have been availed only where the registered person has paid Integrated Goods and Services Tax and Compensation Cess on inputs and has availed exemption of only Basic Customs Duty (BCD) under the said notifications.]
		1 Inserted with effect from the 23rd October 2017 vide
		 Inserted with effect from the 23rd October, 2017, vide <u>Notification No. 16/2020 – Central Tax dated 23rd March,</u>

10.9.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 96

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.9.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017

10.9.2.2 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zerorated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November</u>, <u>2019</u>.

10.9.2.3 Circulars - Clarifications on refund related issues - <u>Circular No. 45/19/2018-GST</u>
dated 30th May, 2018

10.9.2.4 Circulars - Clarification on refund related issues- <u>Circular No. 59/33/2018-GST dated 4th September, 2018</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 – GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.9.2.5 Circulars - Clarification in respect of goods sent/taken out of India for exhibition or on consignment basis for export promotion - <u>Circular No. 108/27/2019-GST dated</u>

18th July, 2019

10.9.2.6 Circulars - Prescribing manner of re-credit in electronic credit ledger using FORM GST PMT-03A - <u>Circular No. 174/06/2022-GST dated 6th July, 2022</u>

10.9.3.1 Order - Authorisation under clause (c) of sub-rule (4) of rule 96 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017

Order No. 01/2022-GST dated 21st July, 2022 - In exercise of powers conferred by clause (c) of sub-rule (4) of rule 96 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as CGST Rules), the Board, hereby authorises the Principal Director General/Director General of Directorate General of Analytics and Risk Management (DGARM), CBIC, New Delhi to exercise the functions under clause (c) of sub-rule (4) of rule 96 of the CGST Rules, throughout the territory of India.

10.9.4.1 – Instructions - Manner of processing and sanction of IGST refunds, withheld in terms of clause (c) of sub-rule (4) of rule 96, transmitted to the jurisdictional GST authorities under sub-rule (5A) of rule 96 of the CGST Rules, 2017 - <u>Instruction No. 04/2022 - GST Policy Wing dated 28th November 2022</u>

10.9.5. Relevant Forms - Rule 96

Forms	Particulars Particulars

FORM-GST-RFD-06	Refund Sanction/Rejection Order
FORM-GST-RFD-07	Order for Complete adjustment of sanctioned Refund

10.10 ²[Export] of goods or services under bond or Letter of Undertaking. ¹[Rule 96A]

Notes

- Inserted with effect from the 1st day of July, 2017 vide Notification No. 15/2017 Central Tax dated

 1st July, 2017
- 2. Substituted w.e.f. 1st February 2019 in the marginal heading, for the words "Refund of integrated tax paid on export", vide Notification No. 03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.

01.07.2017 to 17.10.2017	Any registered person availing the option to supply goods or services for export without payment of integrated tax shall furnish, prior to export, a bond or a Letter of Undertaking in FORM GST RFD-11 to the jurisdictional Commissioner, binding himself to pay the tax due along with the interest specified under sub-section (1) of section 50 within a period of — (a) fifteen days after the expiry of three months, from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the goods are not exported out of India; or
	(b) fifteen days after the expiry of one year, or such further period as may be allowed by the Commissioner, from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the payment of such services is not received by the exporter in convertible foreign exchange.
18.10.2017 to 31.01.2019	Any registered person availing the option to supply goods or services for export without payment of integrated tax shall furnish, prior to export, a bond or a Letter of Undertaking in FORM GST RFD-11 to the jurisdictional Commissioner, binding himself to pay the tax due along with the interest specified under sub-section (1) of section 50 within a period of —
	(a) fifteen days after the expiry of three months, ¹[or such further period as may be allowed by the Commissioner,] from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the goods are not exported out of India; or
	(b) fifteen days after the expiry of one year, or such further period as may be allowed by the Commissioner, from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the payment of such services

		is not received by the exporter in convertible foreign exchange.
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 18 th October 2017 vide Notification No. 47/2017-CT dated 18.10.2017.
	01.02.2019 to till date	Any registered person availing the option to supply goods or services for export without payment of integrated tax shall furnish, prior to export, a bond or a Letter of Undertaking in FORM GST RFD-11 to the jurisdictional Commissioner, binding himself to pay the tax due along with the interest specified under sub-section (1) of section 50 within a period of —
		(a) fifteen days after the expiry of three months, [or such further period as may be allowed by the Commissioner,] from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the goods are not exported out of India; or
		(b) fifteen days after the expiry of one year, or such further period as may be allowed by the Commissioner, from the date of issue of the invoice for export, if the payment of such services is not received by the exporter in convertible foreign exchange ¹ [or in Indian rupees, wherever permitted by the Reserve Bank of India].
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 1st February 2019 vide Notification No. 03/2019- Central Tax dated 29.01.2019.
Rule 96A(2)	01.07.2017 to till date	The details of the export invoices contained in FORM GSTR-1 furnished on the common portal shall be electronically transmitted to the system designated by Customs and a confirmation that the goods covered by the said invoices have been exported out of India shall be electronically transmitted to the common portal from the said system.
Proviso	28.10.2017 to till date	¹ [Provided that where the date for furnishing the details of outward supplies in FORM GSTR-1 for a tax period has been extended in exercise of the powers conferred under section 37 of the Act, the supplier shall furnish the information relating to exports as specified in Table 6A of FORM GSTR-1 after the return in FORM GSTR-3B has been furnished and the same shall be transmitted

		electronically by the common portal to the system designated by the Customs:] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 28 th October 2017 vide Notification No. 51/2017- Central Tax dated 28.10.2017.
Proviso	28.10.2017 to till date	¹ [Provided further that the information in Table 6A furnished under the first proviso shall be auto-drafted in FORM GSTR-1 for the said tax period.] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 28 th October 2017 vide Notification No. 51/2017- Central Tax dated 28.10.2017.
Rule 96A(3)	01.07.2017 to till date	Where the goods are not exported within the time specified in sub-rule (1) and the registered person fails to pay the amount mentioned in the said sub-rule, the export as allowed under bond or Letter of Undertaking shall be withdrawn forthwith and the said amount shall be recovered from the registered person in accordance with the provisions of section 79.
Rule 96A(4)	01.07.2017 to till date	The export as allowed under bond or Letter of Undertaking withdrawn in terms of sub-rule (3) shall be restored immediately when the registered person pays the amount due.
Rule 96A(5)	01.07.2017 to till date	The Board, by way of notification, may specify the conditions and safeguards under which a Letter of Undertaking may be furnished in place of a bond.
Rule 96A(6)	01.07.2017 to till date	The provisions of sub rule (1) shall apply, mutatis mutandis, in respect of zero-rated supply of goods or services or both to a Special Economic Zone developer or a Special Economic Zone unit without payment of integrated tax.

10.10.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 96A

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund

Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.10.2.1 Circulars - Issues related to furnishing of Bond/ Letter of Undertaking for Exports - Circular No. 2/2/2017-GST dated 4th July, 2017

10.10.2.2 Circulars - Issues related to Bond/Letter of Undertaking for exports without payment of integrated tax - Circular No. 4/4/2017-GST dated 7 th July, 2017

10.10.2.3 Circulars - Clarification on issues related to furnishing of Bond/Letter of Undertaking for exports - Circular No. 8/8/2017-GST dated 4th October, 2017

10.10.2.4 Circulars - Manual filing and processing of refund claims in respect of zero-rated supplies - <u>Circular No. 17/17/2017 - GST dated 15th November, 2017</u> which was superseded w.e.f. 26.09.2019 vide <u>Circular No. 125/44/2019 - GST dated 18th November, 2019</u>.

10.10.2.5 Circulars - Clarification in respect of certain challenges faced by the registered persons in implementation of provisions of GST Laws- <u>Circular No.</u> <u>137/07/2020-GST dated 13th April, 2020</u>

10.10.3. Relevant Forms - Rule 96A

Particulars
Furnishing of bond or Letter of Undertaking for export of goods
or services

10.11 Recovery of refund of unutilised input tax credit or integrated tax paid on export of goods where export proceeds not realised. ¹[Rule 96B]

Notes

1. Inserted w.e.f. 23rd March 2020 vide Notification No. 16/2020 - Central Tax dated 23rd March, 2020

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Rule 96B(1)	23.03.2020 to till date	Where any refund of unutilised input tax credit on account of export of goods or of integrated tax paid on export of goods has been paid to an applicant but the sale proceeds in respect of such export goods have not been realised, in full or in part, in India within the period allowed under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999), including any extension of such period, the person to whom the refund has been made shall deposit the amount so refunded, to the extent of nonrealisation of sale proceeds, along with applicable interest within thirty days of the expiry of the said period or, as the case may be, the extended period, failing which the amount refunded shall be recovered in accordance with the provisions of section 73 or 74 of the Act, as the case may be, as is applicable for recovery of erroneous refund, along with interest under section 50:
Proviso	23.03.2020 to till date	Provided that where sale proceeds, or any part thereof, in respect of such export goods are not realised by the applicant within the period allowed under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999), but the Reserve Bank of India writes off the requirement of realisation of sale proceeds on merits, the refund paid to the applicant shall not be recovered.
Rule 96B(2)	23.03.2020 to till date	Where the sale proceeds are realised by the applicant, in full or part, after the amount of refund has been recovered from him under sub-rule (1) and the applicant produces evidence about such realisation within a period of three months from the date of realisation of sale proceeds, the amount so recovered shall be refunded by the proper officer, to the applicant to the extent of realisation of sale proceeds, provided the sale proceeds have been realised within such extended period as permitted by the Reserve Bank of India.]

10.11.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 96B

Section	Particulars	
Section 54	Refund of tax	
Section 55	Refund in certain cases	
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds	
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund	
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund	

10.12 Bank Account for credit of refund. ¹[Rule 96C]

Notes

To be inserted with effect from the date as may be notified, vide Notification No. 35/2021 – Central

Tax dated 24th September, 2021

Rule 96C	To be notified yet.	For the purposes of sub-rule (3) of rule 91, sub-rule (4) of rule 92 and rule 94, "bank account" shall mean such bank account of the applicant which is in the name of applicant and obtained on his Permanent Account Number:
Proviso	To be notified yet.	Provided that in case of a proprietorship concern, the Permanent Account Number of the proprietor shall also be linked with the Aadhaar number of the proprietor.]

10.12.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 96C

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.13 Consumer Welfare Fund. [Rule 97]

Rule 97	01.07.2017 to	(1) All credits to the Consumer Welfare Fund shall be made under sub-rule (5) of rule 92.
	17.04.2018	(2) Any amount, having been credited to the Fund, ordered or directed as payable to any claimant by orders of the proper officer, appellate authority or Appellate Tribunal or court, shall be paid from the Fund.
		(3) Any utilisation of amount from the Consumer Welfare Fund under sub-section (1) of section 58 shall be made by debiting the Consumer Welfare Fund account and crediting the account to which the amount is transferred for utilisation.

- (4) The Government shall, by an order, constitute a Standing Committee with a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Member Secretary and such other Members as it may deem fit and the Committee shall make recommendations for proper utilisation of the money credited to the Consumer Welfare Fund for welfare of the consumers.
- (5) The Committee shall meet as and when necessary, but not less than once in three months.
- (6) Any agency or organisation engaged in consumer welfare activities for a period of three years registered under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or under any other law for the time being in force, including village or mandal or samiti level co-operatives of consumers especially Women, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, or any industry as defined in the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947) recommended by the Bureau of Indian Standards to be engaged for a period of five years in viable and useful research activity which has made, or is likely to make, significant contribution in formulation of standard mark of the products of mass consumption, the Central Government or the State Government may make an application for a grant from the Consumer Welfare Fund:

Provided that a consumer may make application for reimbursement of legal expenses incurred by him as a complainant in a consumer dispute, after its final adjudication.

- (7) All applications for grant from the Consumer Welfare Fund shall be made by the applicant Member Secretary, but the Committee shall not consider an application, unless it has been inquired into in material details and recommended for consideration accordingly, by the Member Secretary.
- ¹[(7A) The Committee shall make available to the Board 50 per cent. of the amount credited to the Fund each year, for publicity or consumer awareness on Goods and Services Tax, Provided the availability of funds for consumer welfare activities of the Department of Consumer Affairs is not less than twenty-five crore rupees per annum.];
 - 1 Inserted with effect from the 1st July, 2017 vide Notification
 No. 49/2019- Central Tax dated 09.10.2019
- (8) The Committee shall have powers -
- (a) to require any applicant to produce before it, or before a duly authorised Officer of the Government such books, accounts, documents, instruments, or commodities in custody and control of the

	applicant, as may be necessary for proper evaluation of the application;
(b	
(c	to get the accounts of the applicants audited, for ensuring proper utilisation of the grant;
(d	to require any applicant, in case of any default, or suppression of material information on his part, to refund in lump-sum, the sanctioned grant to the Committee, and to be subject to prosecution under the Act;
(е	to recover any sum due from any applicant in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
(f)	to require any applicant, or class of applicants to submit a periodical report, indicating proper utilisation of the grant;
(g	to reject an application placed before it on account of factual inconsistency, or inaccuracy in material particulars;
(h	to recommend minimum financial assistance, by way of grant to an applicant, having regard to his financial status, and importance and utility of nature of activity under pursuit, after ensuring that the financial assistance Provided shall not be misutilised;
(i)	to identify beneficial and safe sectors, where investments out of Consumer Welfare Fund may be made and make recommendations, accordingly;
(j)	to relax the conditions required for the period of engagement in consumer welfare activities of an applicant;
(k	to make guidelines for the management, administration and audit of the Consumer Welfare Fund.
	e Central Consumer Protection Council and the Bureau Indian Standards shall recommend to the Goods and

Services Tax Council, the broad guidelines for considering

the projects or proposals for the purpose of incurring
expenditure from the Consumer Welfare Fund.

Notes

Substituted Rule 97 w.e.f. 18.04.2018 vide Notification No. 21/2018-CT dated 18.04.2018 as below.

Rule 97(1)	18.04.2018 to till date	All amounts of duty/central tax/ integrated tax /Union territory tax/cess and income from investment along with other monies specified in sub-section (2) of section 12C of the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944), section 57 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017) read with section 20 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (13 of 2017), section 21 of the Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (14 of 2017) and section 12 of the Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Act, 2017 (15 of 2017) shall be credited to the Fund:
Proviso	18.04.2018	Provided that an amount equivalent to fifty per cent. of the
	to till date	amount of integrated tax determined under sub-section (5) of section 54 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, read with section 20 of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, shall be deposited in the Fund:
Proviso	13.06.2018 to till date	¹ [Provided further that an amount equivalent to fifty per cent. of the amount of cess determined under sub-section
	to till date	(5) of section 54 read with section 11 of the Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Act, 2017 (15 of 2017), shall be deposited in the Fund.] 1 Inserted w.e.f. 13 th June 2018 vide Notification No. 26/2018-CT dated 13.06.2018.
Rule 97(2)	18.04.2018 to till date	Where any amount, having been credited to the Fund, is ordered or directed to be paid to any claimant by the proper officer, appellate authority or court, the same shall be paid from the Fund.
Rule 97(3)	18.04.2018 to till date	Accounts of the Fund maintained by the Central Government shall be subject to audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
Rule 97(4)	18.04.2018 to till date	The Government shall, by an order, constitute a Standing Committee ^{\$} (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee') with a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Member Secretary and such other members as it may deem fit and the Committee shall make recommendations for proper utilisation of the money credited to the Fund for welfare of the consumers.

			\$ The Government has constituted the requisite Standing
			Committee vide Order no. 3/2018-Central Tax dated 16th
			August, 2018.
Rule 97(5)	18.04.2018 to till date	(a)	The Committee shall meet as and when necessary, generally four times in a year;
		(b)	the Committee shall meet at such time and place as the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee may deem fit;
		(c)	the meeting of the Committee shall be presided over by the Chairman, or in his absence, by the Vice-Chairman;
		(d)	the meeting of the Committee shall be called, after giving at least ten days' notice in writing to every member;
		(e)	the notice of the meeting of the Committee shall specify the place, date and hour of the meeting and shall contain statement of business to be transacted thereat;
		(f)	no proceeding of the Committee shall be valid, unless it is presided over by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and attended by a minimum of three other members.
Rule 97(6)	18.04.2018	The C	ommittee shall have powers –
	to till date	(a)	to require any applicant to get registered with any authority as the Central Government may specify;
		(b)	to require any applicant to produce before it, or before a duly authorised officer of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, such books, accounts, documents, instruments, or commodities in custody and control of the applicant, as may be necessary for proper evaluation of the application;
		(c)	to require any applicant to allow entry and inspection of any premises, from which activities claimed to be for the welfare of consumers are stated to be carried on, to a duly authorised officer of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be;
		(d)	to get the accounts of the applicants audited, for ensuring proper utilisation of the grant;
		(e)	to require any applicant, in case of any default, or suppression of material information on his part, to refund in lump-sum along with accrued interest,

			the sanctioned grant to the Committee, and to be subject to prosecution under the Act;
		(f)	to recover any sum due from any applicant in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
		(g)	to require any applicant, or class of applicants to submit a periodical report, indicating proper utilisation of the grant;
		(h)	to reject an application placed before it on account of factual inconsistency, or inaccuracy in material particulars;
		(i)	to recommend minimum financial assistance, by way of grant to an applicant, having regard to his financial status, and importance and utility of the nature of activity under pursuit, after ensuring that the financial assistance Provided shall not be misutilised;
		(j)	to identify beneficial and safe sectors, where investments out of Fund may be made, and make recommendations, accordingly;
		(k)	to relax the conditions required for the period of engagement in consumer welfare activities of an applicant;
		(1)	to make guidelines for the management, and administration of the Fund.
Rule 97(7)	18.04.2018 to till date	has b	ommittee shall not consider an application, unless it been inquired into, in material details and mended for consideration accordingly, by the er Secretary.
Rule 97(7A)	01.07.2017 to till date	per cer publicit Tax, P activitie	The Committee shall make available to the Board 50 nt. of the amount credited to the Fund each year, for make a consumer awareness on Goods and Services rovided the availability of funds for consumer welfare es of the Department of Consumer Affairs is not less venty-five crore rupees per annum.];
			1 Inserted with effect from the 1st July, 2017 vide Notification
Rule 97(8)	18.04.2018	The Co	No. 49/2019- Central Tax dated 09.10.2019 ommittee shall make recommendations:-
	to till date		
		(a)	for making available grants to any applicant;
		(b)	for investment of the money available in the Fund;
		(c)	for making available grants (on selective basis) for reimbursing legal expenses incurred by a

		complainant, or class of complainants in consumer dispute, after its final adjudication;	а
		(d) for making available grants for any other purpore recommended by the Central Consur Protection Council (as may be conside appropriate by the Committee); 4 [(e) *****]	ner
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		4 Omitted with effect from the 1st July, 2017 clause (e) Notification No. 49/2019- Central Tax dated 09.10. read as – "(e) for making available up to 50% of the secredited to the Fund each year, for publicity/ consumerness on GST, Provided the availability of fund consumer welfare activities of the Department Consumer Affairs is not less than twenty five crore rules.	funds tumer ds for nt of
		per annum.	
Explanation	18.04.2018	For the purposes of this rule,	
	to till date	(a) 'Act' means the Central Goods and Services Tax A 2017 (12 of 2017), or the Central Excise Act, 19 (1 of 1944) as the case may be;	
		(b) 'applicant' means,	
		(i) the Central Government or Sta	te
		(ii) regulatory authorities or autonomous bodie constituted under an Act of Parliament or the Legislature of a State or Union Territory;	
		(iii) any agency or organization engaged consumer welfare activities for a minimu period of three years, registered under the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013) or undany other law for the time being in force;	m ne
		(iv) village or mandal or samiti or samiti level coperatives of consumers especially Wome Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;	
		(v) an educational or research institution incorporated by an Act of Parliament or the Legislature of a State or Union Territory India or other educational institution established by an Act of Parliament declared to be deemed as a University und section 3 of the University Gran	ne in ns or er

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	Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956) and which has consumers studies as part of its curriculum for a minimum period of three years; and
	(vi) a complainant as defined under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 (68 of 1986), who applies for reimbursement of legal expenses incurred by him in a case instituted by him in a consumer dispute redressal agency.
	'application' means an application in the form as specified by the Standing Committee from time to time;
`	Central Consumer Protection Council' means the Central Consumer Protection Council, established under sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 (68 of 1986), for promotion and protection of rights of consumers;
` '	'Committee' means the Committee constituted under sub-rule (4);
i (consumer' has the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 (68 of 1986), and includes consumer of goods on which central tax has been paid;
/	duty means the duty paid under the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944) or the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962);
	Fund' means the Consumer Welfare Fund established by the Central Government under subsection (1) of section 12C of the Central Excise Act, 1944 (1 of 1944) and section 57 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017);
L	proper officer' means the officer having the power under the Act to make an order that the whole or any part of the central tax is refundable]

10.13.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 97

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax

Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds
Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund

10.13.2.1 Circulars - Proper officer relating to provisions other than Registration and Composition under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 - <u>Circular No. 3/3/2017 - GST dated 5th July, 2017</u>

10.13.3.1 Orders - Constitution of Standing Committee under sub-rule (4) of rule 97 of Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 - Order no. 3/2018-Central Tax dated 16th August, 2018

10.14 Manual filing and processing. [Rule 97A]

¹ [Rule 97A	15.11.2017	Notwithstanding anything contained in this Chapter, in
	to till date	respect of any process or procedure prescribed herein, any
		reference to electronic filing of an application, intimation,
		reply, declaration, statement or electronic issuance of a
		notice, order or certificate on the common portal shall, in
		respect of that process or procedure, include manual filing
		of the said application, intimation, reply, declaration,
		statement or issuance of the said notice, order or certificate
		in such Forms as appended to these rules.]
		Notes
		1 Inserted w.e.f. 15 th November 2017 vide Notification No.
		55/2017- Central Tax Dated 15.11.2017.
		33/2017 - Gential Tax Dated 15.11.2017.

10.14.1 Relevant Section of CGST Act 2017- Rule 97A

Section	Particulars
Section 54	Refund of tax
Section 55	Refund in certain cases
Section 56	Interest on delayed refunds

Section 57	Consumer Welfare Fund
Section 58	Utilisation of Fund