Government of Karnataka (Department of Commercial Taxes)

No. KSA/GST.CR-05/2019-20

Office of the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes Vanijya Therige Karyalaya, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009, Dated: 02-05-2019.

COMMISSIONER OF COMMERCIAL TAXES CIRCULAR No. GST-05/2019-20

Subject: GST exemption on the upfront amount payable in for long term lease of plots, under Notification (12/2017) No. FD 48 CSL 2017, dated 29.06.2017.-reg.

Representations have been received seeking clarification regarding admissibility of GST exemption on the upfront amount which is determined upfront but is paid or payable in installments for long term (thirty years, or more) lease of industrial plots or plots for development of financial infrastructure under Sl. No.41 of Notification (12/2017) No. FD 48 CSL 2017, dated 29.06.2017.

2. The matter has been examined. The entry at S. No.41 of Notification (12/2017) No. FD 48 CSL 2017, dated 29.06.2017 reads as under:

S1.	Chapter,	Description of Services	Rate (per	Condition
No	Section,	Description of bervices	cent.)	Condition
	Heading,		cent.)	
	Group or			
	Service			
	Code	5	9	
	(Tariff)			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
41	Heading	"Upfront amount (called as premium,	NIL	NIL
	9972	salami, cost, price, development charges or		
		by any other name) payable in respect of		
		service by way of granting of long term		
		lease (of thirty years, or more) of industrial		-
		plots or plots for development of		
	x	infrastructure for financial business,		
		provided by the State Government		
		Industrial Development Corporations or		
		Undertakings or by any other entity having		
		50 per cent. or more ownership of Central		*., <u>,</u>
		Government, State Government, Union		
		territory to the industrial units or the		<i>x</i>
		developers in any industrial or financial	4	
		business area."		

3. It is hereby clarified that GST exemption on the upfront amount (called as premium, salami, cost, price, development charges or by any other name) payable for long term lease (of thirty years, or more) of industrial plots or plots for development of infrastructure for financial business under Entry No. 41 of Exemption Notification (12/2017) No. FD 48 CSL 2017, dated 29.06.2017 is admissible irrespective of whether such upfront amount is payable or paid in one or more instalments, provided the amount is determined upfront.

4. This circular is clarificatory in nature and cannot be made use of for interpretation of provisions of law. If any member of trade has any doubt, he may refer the matter to this office for further clarification. All the members of trade and industry are requested to follow the procedure laid down in this regard as per law and as per the contents of this circular.

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