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**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
EXCISE, REGISTRATION, TAXATION & STAMPS
DEPARTMENT**

Removal of Difficulties Order No. 1/2018-MGST

No. ERTS(T) 65/2017/Pt II/80

Dated Shillong, the 31st December, 2018.

WHEREAS, sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Meghalaya Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Act No. 10 of 2017) (hereafter in this Order referred to as the said Act) provides that every registered person, other than an Input Service Distributor, a person paying tax under section 51 or section 52, a casual taxable person and a non-resident taxable person, shall furnish an annual return for every financial year electronically in such form and manner as may be prescribed on or before the thirty-first day of December following the end of such financial year;

AND WHEREAS, for the purpose of furnishing of the annual return electronically for every financial year as referred to in sub-section (1) of section 44 of the said Act, the electronic system to be developed is at the advanced stage and is likely to be made operational by the 31st January, 2019 as a result whereof, the said annual return for the period from the 1st July, 2017 to the 31st March, 2018 could not be furnished by the registered persons, as referred to in the said sub-section (1) and because of that, certain difficulties have arisen in giving effect to the provisions of the said section;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 172 of the Meghalaya Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, the Government of Meghalaya, on recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following Order, to remove the difficulties, namely:—

1. Short title.—This Order may be called the Meghalaya Goods and Services Tax (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2018.

2. In section 44 of the Meghalaya Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, after sub-section (2), the following Explanation shall be inserted, namely:—

“Explanation.- For the purposes of this section, it is hereby declared that the annual return for the period from the 1st July, 2017 to the 31st March, 2018 shall be furnished on or before the 31st March, 2019.”

Sd/-

H. Marwein

*Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya
Excise, Registration, Taxation & Stamps Department.*

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Copy to:-

1. P. S. to Chief Minister for favour of information of the Chief Minister.
2. P. S. to Chief Secretary for favour of information of the Chief Secretary.
3. P. S. to the Additional Chief Secretary i/c ERTS Department for favour of information of the Additional Chief Secretary.
4. The Secretary to the Govt. of India and ex-officio Secretary to the GST Council, New Delhi-110001.
5. Principal Accountant General (Audit), Meghalaya (Attention: CASS Section), Shillong-793001.
6. Accountant General (A & E), Meghalaya, Shillong-793001.
7. The Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Finance Department/ERTS Department.
8. The Commissioner of Taxes, Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of information and necessary action.
9. All Administrative Departments.
10. All Heads of Department.
11. The Director, Printing and Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong with a request to cause publication of the above Notification in the Gazette of Meghalaya Extra Ordinary issue and furnish this Department with 50 spare copies.
12. Assembly Secretariat.
13. NIC, Shillong for uploading in the Meghalaya Website.

By order etc.,

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**Under Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya
Excise, Registration, Taxation & Stamps Department**