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Event: Refresher Course on GST Annual Return & GST Audit

Subject : GST Audit vs Ind AS vs ICDS

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Overview

Ind AS

- Phased applicability and Limited carve outs from IFRS
- Applicable to Listed entities and unlisted entities based on Net Worth Criteria

ICDS

- Applicable for Business income or IFOS and no impact on MAT
- Mercantile accounting system and not for cash system of accounting
- In case of conflict, IT Act will prevail

GST Audit

- Prescribed Threshold limit and due date
- Reconciliation with Accounts
- Relaxations in transitional years

Background

- Ind AS, ICDS and GST are recent developments requiring in-depth deliberations amongst corporates, tax professionals and auditors
- Revenue as declared in financial statements could be materially different from revenue declared in GST / Income Tax returns mainly on account of:
 - GST and Income Tax is pre-dominantly a tax on transaction value whereas Ind AS recognizes transaction at its fair value
 - Timing difference in revenue recognition under Ind AS, Income Tax and GST
 - Ind AS requires accounting for expenses / losses on provisional basis while one needs to assess its allowability under Income Tax

Background

- Need for reconciliation of financial statement, tax returns and GST returns arise mainly due to difference in :
 - Accounting treatment of transaction as per Ind AS and Taxability as per ICDS and GST Act
 - Timing difference in revenue recognition in Accounts, Income Tax returns and GST Returns
 - Difference in value of transaction as per Accounts, ICDS and GST
- > It is settled jurisprudence that accounting treatment does not determine tax treatment:
 - Kedarnath Jute Mfg. Co. Ltd vs Commissioner Of Income Tax [1971 AIR 2145, 1972 SCR (1) 277]
 - Shoorji Vallabhdas And Co. [1962 46 ITR 144 SC]
- Tax treatment is independent of accounting treatment



Case Studies

Case study 1: Risk-Reward and Control

- > XYZ Limited ('the Company') raised sales invoices of Rs. 100 Lakhs in FY 2017-18
- > On implementation of Ind AS 115, the Company is required to reverse revenue of Rs. 50 Lakhs as effective control was not transferred/ performance obligation criteria was not met
- The revenue was reversed and impact thereof is adjusted to opening reserve as per transitional provision.
- ➤ In current FY 2018-19, the Company has recognized revenue of Rs. 50 Lakhs on transferring effective control to the customer
- > This results into recognition of same revenue twice in different financial years
- How does ICDS deal with these Ind AS adjustments?
- What are the GST implications of these Ind AS adjustments?

Case study 2: Sale with differential credit terms

- > XYZ Limited enters into a contract with Mr. A and Mr. B on 1st January 2019 for sale of machinery
- > XYZ Ltd sold the machinery to Mr. A at Rs. 6 Crores with standard credit term of 60 days
- ➤ It also sold same machine to Mr. B at Rs. 7 Crores for credit period of 365 days
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 3: Sale with warranty

- > XYZ Limited sells machinery with following options to the customers:
 - With 1 year standard warranty at Rs. 6 Crores
 - With 3 years extended warranty at Rs. 6.5 Crores
 - With 1 year warranty at Rs. 6 Crores along with option to buy additional 2 years warranty at 60 lakhs
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?
- GST implications in case of non-payment of amount receivable

Case study 4: Provision for sales return

- M/s Sellkart Ltd sells goods with the term that customer can return goods within one year
- In FY 2018-19, it has sold 1,500 units at Rs. 10,000 each
- Past trend shows that 3% of the goods sold are returned in next financial year
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 5: Non-refundable membership fees

- M/s Holiday Inn is a club having resorts in various parts of the country
- It offers membership of 25 years to its customers against one-time upfront payment of Rs. 10 lakhs
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 6: Unbilled revenue

- Company enters into an agreement on 15th January 2019 with one customer for providing consultancy services on monthly basis. Consideration to be charged is based on number of hours spent by the Company on each 15th of the month for the cycle from 16th to 15th. Payment for each month is due on 21st of the next month.
- The Company has Rs. 20 Lakhs of income which is not billed to customer for the period from 16th March 2019 to 31st March 2019.
- ➤ What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 7: Lease rent income on SLM basis

- Malik Limited is a lessor who earns rent income on property given for 5 years on lease
- Agreement for lease (effective from 1st April 2019) includes rent escalation of 10% each year with a clause for lock-in period upto 3 years. This agreement can be further renewed at the option of lessee for 2 more years
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- ➤ How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 8 : Effective Interest rate

- Malamal Limited has given a loan of Rs. 10 crores to Udhaar Ltd at interest of 10% p.a.
- ➤ The tenure of the loan is 5 years
- It has also charged upfront 2% processing fees on sanction of loan
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions?
- How does ICDS deal with above transaction?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions?

Case study 9: Corporate guarantee

- ➤ H Limited (Holding Company) gives corporate guarantee of Rs.10 Crores to banks for loan taken by S Limited (Subsidiary Company)
- Holding Company has either not charged or charged very nominal Guarantee Commission to subsidiary
- What is Ind AS implication of above transaction?
- How does ICDS deal with the above transaction?
- What is the GST implication of above transaction?

Case study 10: Interest-free security deposit

- > X Ltd leased out its commercial property to Y Ltd on following terms:
 - Y Ltd to occupy premises from 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2021
 - Y ltd to give interest free security deposit of Rs. 100 lakhs on the date of execution of rent agreement i.e. 1st April 2018
 - Said deposit is refundable on vacating the premises
 - Monthly rent from April, 2018 onwards will be Rs. 5,000/-
- What are Ind AS implications of above transactions for X Ltd & Y Ltd?
- What are ICDS implications of above transactions for X Ltd & Y Ltd?
- What are the GST implications of above transactions for X Ltd & Y Ltd?

Case study 11: Prior period income

- Advertising Company received advance of Rs.50 Lakhs from client in F.Y. 2016-17
- ➤ The advertising campaign was over in F.Y. 2016-17 itself
- The Company missed to raise invoice on it's client in F.Y. 2016-17
- Mistake detected in F.Y. 2018-19 and company intends to rectify it
- Please advise about IND AS, ICDS and GST implications for this rectification
- Will GST implications differ if such mistake happened in July, 2017 and was rectified in F.Y. 2018-19?

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- > Additional responsibility on Accountant, Auditor and GST Consultant to align and reconcile GST returns, Financial Statements and Income Tax returns
- ERP and accounting packages would have to be customized
- Advisable to have automated (or process driven) reconciliations since year / period end reconciliation would be time consuming and cumbersome
- GST department needs to train its personnel to comprehend Ind AS Financial Statements to avoid unnecessary hassles and litigations
- ➤ Whether life of auditor and tax professionals will be better post Ind AS and ICDS or otherwise?

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