Government of India Ministry of Finance Central Board of Direct Taxes Directorate of Income Tax (Systems) Corrigendum to Notification No. 3. of 2021

New Delhi, 15/11/2023

Format, Procedure and Guidelines for submission of Statement of Financial Transactions (SFT) for Depository Transactions.

The format, procedure, and guidelines for submission of information relating to capital gains on transfer of listed securities or units of mutual funds by Depository Institutions was notified vide notification no. 3 of 2021 dated 30th April 2021 as per the mandate of Section 285BA of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and Rule 114E sub-rule 5A. The notification lists various files, file formats, data types for different data fields that need to be reported, and various DQ rules that should be validated by Depository Institutions before submission of the data.

2. Subsequently, discussions were held with representatives of Depository Institutions. Accordingly, following changes are made to the said notification.

3. The S.No. 6 of the existing notification mentions the following

"The statement of financial transactions relating to Financial Year 2020-21 shall be furnished on or before the 31st May 2021. Thereafter, the statement of financial transactions relating to the quarter ending 30th June, 31st September, 31st December and 31st March shall be furnished on or before 25th of July, October, January and April respectively."

This should be read as following:

"With effect from 1st April 2023 the statement of financial transactions data will be submitted on half yearly basis instead of existing quarterly basis i.e. data relating to 1st half of the Financial Year ending 30th September and remaining half of the Financial Year ending on 31st March shall be furnished on or before 31st of October and 30th of April respectively."

4. In annexure A (Guidelines for Preparation of Statement of Financial Transactions (SFT)) of the existing notification, S.No.3 mentions the following:

"The Estimated Sale Consideration for the debit transaction should be determined on the best possible available price of the asset with the depository (e.g. end of day price). The taxpayer will be able to modify the sales consideration before filing the return."

This should be read as following:

"The Estimated Sale Consideration for the debit transaction should be determined on **Weighted Average Price i.e.**, *taking into actual value of the transactions* **executed**. The taxpayer will be able to modify the sales consideration before filing the return."

5. In annexure A (Guidelines for Preparation of Statement of Financial Transactions (SFT)) of the existing notification, S.No.5 mentions the following:

Security Class Code	Security Class Description	Minimum Period of Holding	
LES	Listed Equity Share	12 months	
LPS	Listed Preference Share	12 months	
LDB	Listed Debenture	12 months	
ZCB	Zero Coupon Bond	12 months	
CIB	Listed Capital Indexed Bond	12 months	
EMF	Unit of Equity Oriented Mutual Fund	12 months	
UTI	Unit of UTI	12 months	
UBT	Unit of Business Trust	36 months	
OTU	Other Units	36 months	
ОТН	Other Listed Securities (Other than a unit)	12 months	

This should be read as following:

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LES	Listed Equity Share	12 months	-
LPS	Listed Preference Share		-
LDB	Listed Debenture	12 months	-
ZCB	Zero Coupon Bond	12 months	-
CIB Listed Capital Indexed Bond		12 months	*
EMF Unit of Equity Oriented Mutual Fund		12 months	-
UTI Unit of UTI		12 months	Where more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, this

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			information should be provided. <u>Note:</u> Where not more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, (Specified Mutual Fund), it will always be classified as short-term capital asset (Applicable from 1st April 2023)
UBT	Unit of Business Trust	36 months	Where more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, this information should be provided. <u>Note:</u> Where not more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, (Specified Mutual Fund), it will always be classified as short-term capital asset (Applicable from 1st April 2023)
OTU	Other Units	36 months	Where more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, this information should be provided. <u>Note:</u> Where not more than 35% of its total proceeds are invested in the equity shares of domestic companies, (Specified Mutual Fund), it will always be classified as short-term capital asset (Applicable from 1st April 2023)
ОТН	Other Listed Securities (Other than a unit)	12 months	
MLD	Market Linked Debenture		Short-Term Capital Assets (w.e.f. 1st April 2024)

6. In annexure A (Guidelines for Preparation of Statement of Financial Transactions (SFT)) of the existing notification, S.No.6 mentions the following:

"For every debit transaction, the corresponding credit transaction should be identified using First in First Out (FIFO) method. The estimated cost of acquisition for the credit should be determined on the best possible available price with the depository. The cost of acquisition can be estimated as per the closing rate on the date (T-2) of transaction for market purchase. The estimated cost of acquisition is to be taken as NIL for OFF Market purchase, IPO or Corporate Action or for any transaction through other than Exchange. The taxpayer will be able to modify the cost of acquisition before filing the return."

This should be read as following:

"For every debit transaction, the corresponding credit transaction should be identified using First in First Out (FIFO) method. The estimated cost of acquisition for the credit should be determined **on weighted average price of the asset i.e taking into actual value of the transactions, if purchase was made after 1st February 2018 or End of the day price, if purchase was made before 1st February 2018,** available with the depository. The estimated cost of acquisition is to be taken as NIL for OFF Market purchase, Corporate Action or for any transaction through other than Exchange. IPO credit will be treated as Market credit and cost of the acquisition of the same will be arrived using the formula i.e. Number of shares allotted x Per unit price at which share is allotted. The taxpayer will be able to modify the cost of acquisition before filing the return."

7. In annexure D (D.3- Depository Transaction Summary (DEP_TRN_Summ.TXT)) of the existing notification, the data fields 16,17 & 18 is mentioned as following

#	Field	Mandatory	Format	Remarks
16.	Unit Sale price	Y	DECIMAL (18,2)	Estimated Sale price per unit.
17.	Sale Consideration	Y	Decimal (18,2)	Estimated Sale Consideration. Refer Guidelines
18.	COA	Y	DECIMAL (18,2)	Estimated Cost of acquisition without indexation. Refer Guidelines

#	Field	Mandatory	Format	Remarks
16.	Unit price	Y	DECIMAL (18,2)	Weighted Average sale price per unit (taking into account the actual value of the transactions)
17.	Sale Consideration	Y	Decimal(18,2)	Estimated Sale Consideration at Weighted Average price (taking into account the actual value of the transactions)
18.	COA	Y	Decimal(18,2)	Estimated Cost of acquisition without indexation Refer Guidelines.

These should be read as following:

8. In annexure D (D.3- Depository Transaction Summary (DEP_TRN_Summ.TXT)) of the existing notification, a new data field 24 is added for flag indication if the purchase of the security was before 1st February 2018 or after

#	Field	Mandatory	*Flag	Format	Remarks
24.	Purchase Flag	Y	B/A	VARCHAR(1)	Flag B: Purchase was made before 1 st February 2018 Flag A: Purchase was made on or after 1 st February 2018

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