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Good & Simple Tax ?

## Agenda:

- 1. Tax Structure pre-GST
- 2. GST :
  - Background
  - Implementation Journey
  - Salient features
- 3. Benefits
- 4. Challenges
- 5. Way ahead ...



### Tax Structure:: Pre-GST

- India is a Federal Country. Levy & Collection governed by the Constitution of India
- Both Centre and States have powers of taxation (7<sup>th</sup> Schedule of the Constitution)
- For eg., entry 84 in the Union List grants power to the Centre to levy Central Excise Duty (CENVAT) and entry 54 in the State List grants power to the State to levy tax on sale of purchase of goods other than newspapers



## Tax Structure :: Pre-GST

GST is applicable on "**supply**" of goods or services, based on the principle of **destination based consumption**.

Centre	levy tax on the manufacture of goods (except alcoholic liquor for human consumption)				
	Services-the Centre alone that is empowered to levy service tax.				
State	to levy tax on sale of goods				
Inter State Sales	Levy - Centre (the <b>Central Sales Tax</b> ) but collected and retained entirely by the <b>Originating States</b> .				
Importation into or exportation	No power to levy any tax to States; tax compensating domestic tax levied by Centre.				

# Tax Structure: Revisited ?

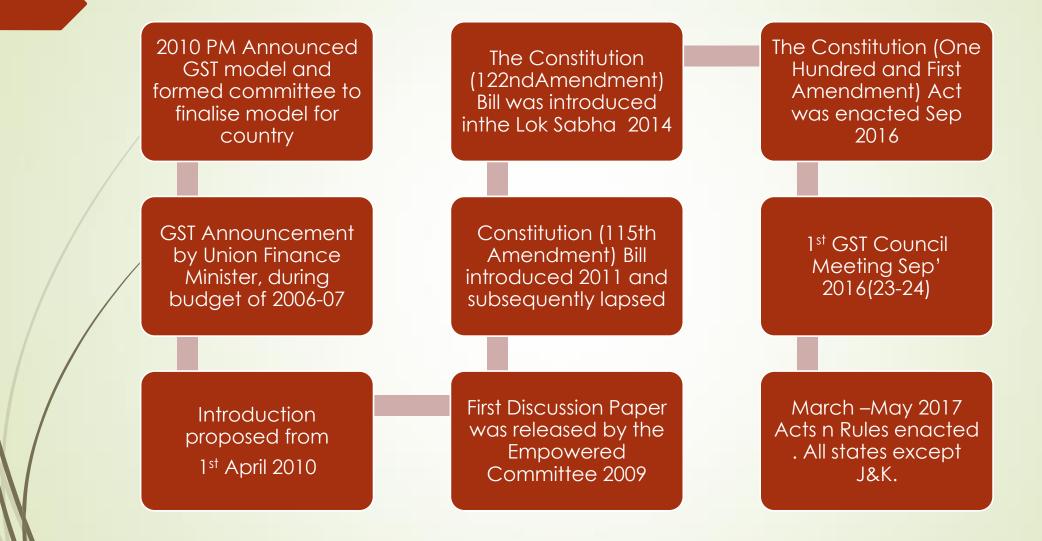
- Too many taxes
- Multiple Jurisdictions
- Services and Goods are subjected to different rates of taxation
- Tax Cascading across the Value chain.

Manufacturing	Distributive Value C	Chain Consumer
COST	100	
CENVAT	Г (10%) 10	
VAT(109	%) 11	
Invoice	121	

# Tax Structure: GST ?

- Mooted by then Union Finance Minister in his budget speech of 2006-07 but first conceptualised in 1999.
- To be introduced from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2010.
- The Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers (EC) to come up with a roadmap and structure for the GST
- Joint Working Groups of officials -representatives of the States as well as the Centre
- various aspects of the GST examined specifically exemptions and thresholds, taxation of services and taxation of inter-State supplies.
- the EC released its First Discussion Paper (FDP) on GST in November, 2009 forms the basis for GST and for discussion between the Centre and the States so far

### The Journey to GST....



GST infoduced 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 SGST passed for J&K Economic Integration of country

## The Journey to GST...

Constitution (122<sup>nd</sup> Amendment) Bill introduced : 16<sup>th</sup> LS on 19.12.2014.

Passed by LS in May'15 and referred to Select Committee of RS.

Bill ratified by required number of States and received assent of the President on 8thSeptember, 2016 Select Committee Report July' 15. Bill passed with amendments in RS & LS in Aug'16.

Effected from Constitution (101st Amendment) Act, 2016 w.e.f. 16th September, 2016.

### **GST**: Introduction

necessitated amendments in the Constitution so as to concurrently empower the Centre and the States to levy and collect the GST.

Constitution (One Hundred and First) Amendment Act, 2016 :

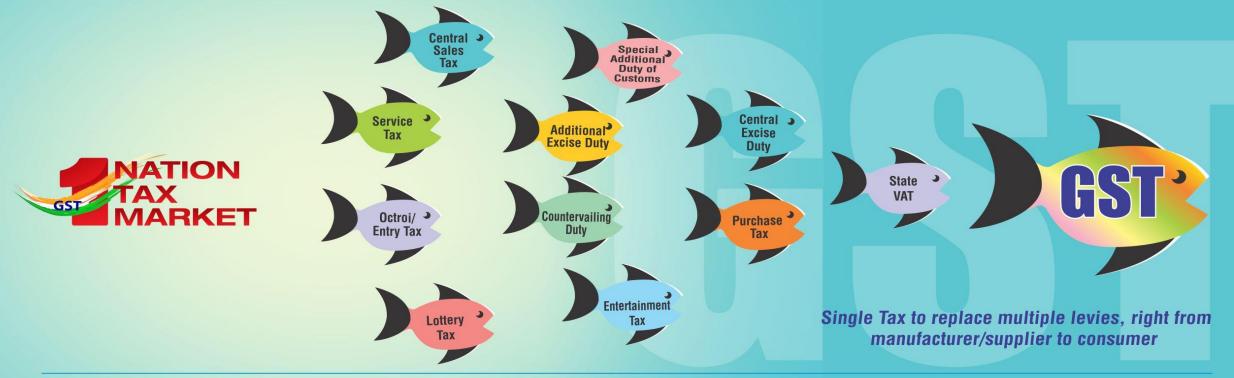
- provides for a levy of GST on supply of all goods or services except for Alcohol for human consumption. The tax shall be levied as Dual GST separately but concurrently by
  - the Union (central tax CGST) and
  - the States (including Union Territories with legislatures) (State tax SGST) / Union territories without legislatures (Union territory tax- UTGST).
- The Parliament would have exclusive power to levy GST (integrated tax IGST) on inter-State trade or commerce (including imports) in goods or services.
- The concurrent jurisdiction of Centre and the States : requires a unique institutional mechanism that would ensure that decisions about the structure, design and operation of GST are taken jointly by the two.(GST COUNCIL)
- Change in Administrative Structure and Functions of Tax collecting authorities

### **GST : Salient Features**

- GST would be applicable on "supply" of goods or services as against the earlier concept of tax on the manufacture of goods or on sale of goods or on provision of services.
- GST would be based on the principle of destination based consumption taxation as against the present principle of origin based taxation
- It would be a dual GST with the Centre and the States simultaneously levying it on a common base.
- The GST to be levied by the Centre would be called Central GST (CGST) and that to be levied by the States [including Union territories with legislature] would be called State GST(SGST). Union territories without legislature would levy Union territory GST (UTGST).
- An Integrated GST (IGST) would be levied on inter-State supply (including stock transfers) of goods or services. This would be collected by the Centre so that the credit chain is not disrupted.
- Import of goods/services would be treated as inter-State supplies and would be subject to IGST in addition to the applicable customs duties.
- GST would replace the 8 Central Levies and 9 levies by State Govt ( subsumes 17 taxes and 23 cesses)



### **Goods and Services Tax** Single Tax to promote Indian Trade and Industry



#### **Spurring Economic Growth**

- Fillip to making India a manufacturing hub
- To create a unified common national market
- To boost investments & exports
- To generate more employment by increased economic activity.

A nation is made, when taxes are paid

#### Promoting Trade & Industry

- Common procedures for registration, duty payment, return filing, refund of taxes
- More efficient neutralization of taxes to make our exports more competitive internationally
- · Seamless flow of tax credit from manufactures/ supplier to user / retailer to eliminate cascading of taxes
- Benefit of exemption / compounding scheme for a large segment of small scale suppliers to make their products cheaper



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### GST Council :

- GSTC notified with effect from 12th September, 2016; assisted by a Secretariat.
- FM as the Chairperson
- Min of state for Revenue/Finance
- State FMs or nominated ministers
- VC to be chosen by the above (3rd)
- **Quorum**  $-\frac{1}{2}$
- Decision is valid if taken by 3/4th of weighted votes
- Designed such that neither the Centre nor the states alone could impose a decision unilaterally
- Centre has 1/3rd vote

### **GST** Council :

Important Decisions :

(i) The threshold exemption limit would be Rs. 20 lac. For special category States (Ar. 279A) Rs. 10 lac.

(ii) Existing tax incentive schemes of Central or State governments may be continued by respective government by way of reimbursement through budgetary route. The schemes, in the present form, would not continue in GST.

(iv) There would be five tax rates namely NIL, 5%, 12%, 18% and 28%. Besides, some goods and services would be under the list of exempt items. Rates of all G&S decided

(v) A cess over the peak rate of 28% on certain specified luxury and sin goods would be imposed for a period of five years to compensate States for any revenue loss on account of implementation of GST. The Council has asked the Committee of officers

## GST Council :

vi) The five laws namely

- CGST Law,
- UTGST Law,
- IGST Law,
- SGST Law and
- GST Compensation Law

(vii) In order to ensure single interface, all administrative control over 90% of taxpayers having turnover below Rs. 1.5 crore would vest with State tax administration and

10% with the Central tax administration.

Further all administrative control over taxpayers having turnover above Rs. 1.5 crore shall be divided equally in the ratio of 50% each for the Central and State tax

(vii) Powers under the IGST Act shall also be cross-empowered on the same basis as under CGST and SGST Acts with few exceptions.

(viii) Power to collect GST in territorial waters shall be delegated by Central Government to the States.

(ix) Rules regarding input tax credit, composition levy, transitional provisions and valuation

(x) Five Rules on registration, invoice, payments, returns and refund

# Benefits:

### A. Make in India

- a unified common national market for India
- prevent cascading of taxes as Input Tax Credit will be available across goods and services at every stage of supply
- harmonization of laws, procedures and rates of tax
- more efficient neutralization of taxes especially for exports
- improve the overall investment climate in the country which will naturally benefit the development in the states
- uniform SGST and IGST rates will reduce the incentive for evasion by eliminating rate arbitrage between neighbouring States and that between intra and inter-state sales
- Average tax burden on companies is likely to come down

# Benefits:

### **B. Ease of Doing Business**

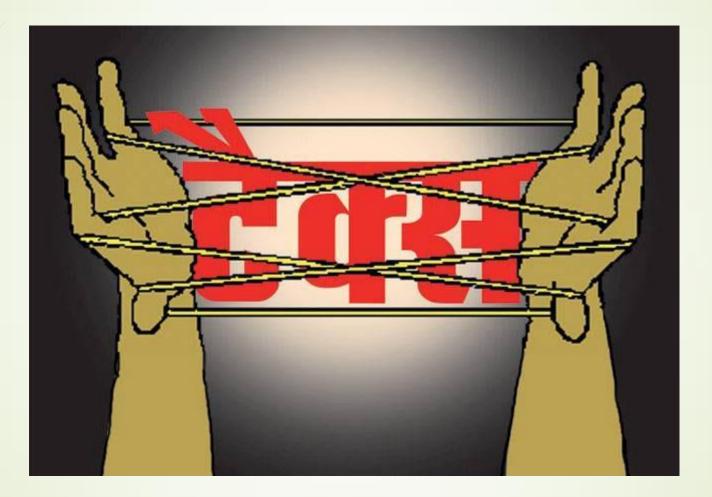
- simpler tax regime with fewer exemptions
- reductions in the multiplicity of indirect taxes leading to simplification and uniformity
- reduction in compliance costs No multiple record keeping for a variety of taxes
- simplified and automated procedures for various processes such as registration, returns, refunds, tax payments, etc;
- All interaction to be through the common GSTN portal- so less public interface
- improve environment of compliance
- common procedures will lend greater certainty to taxation system
- electronic matching of input tax credits all-across India thus making the process more transparent and accountable.

# Benefits:

### C. Benefit to Consumers:

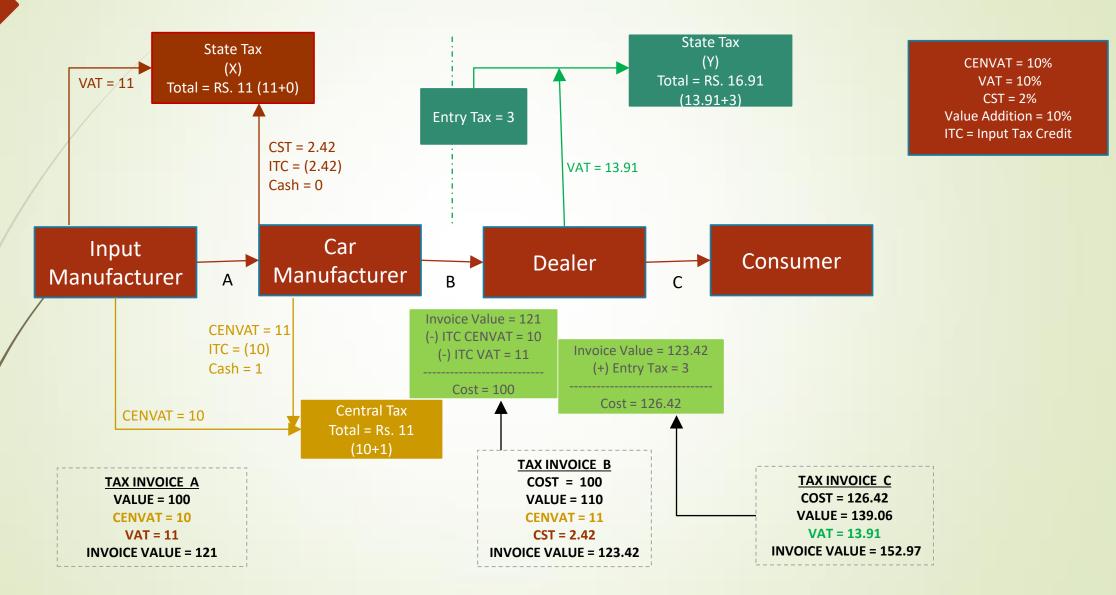
- final price of goods is expected to be lower due to seamless flow of input tax credit between the manufacturer, retailer and service supplier
- it is expected that a relatively large segment of small retailers will be either exempted from tax or will suffer very low tax rates under a compounding scheme- purchases from such entities will cost less for the consumers
- average tax burden on companies is likely to come down which is expected to reduce prices and lower prices mean more consumption (Anti-Profiteering Authority)

### Good & Simple Tax !!



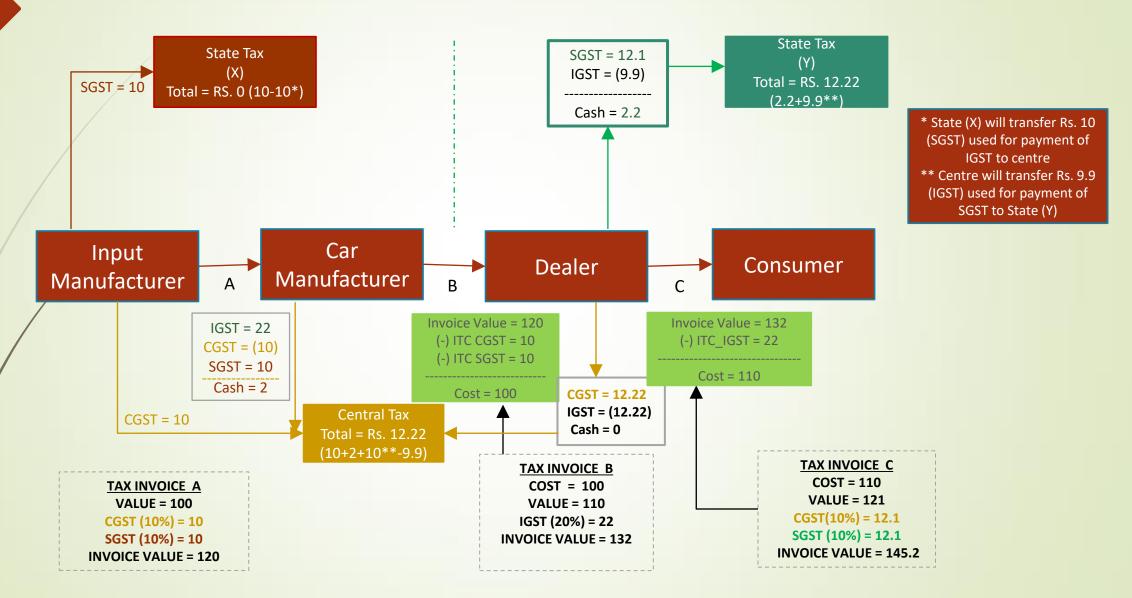
**CASE STUDY** 

### Present Scenario (Inter-state trade of goods)



#### Features of GST

### GST Scenario (Inter-state trade of goods)



# Comparison

S. No.		Particulars	Inter-state	
			Present (Rs.)	Proposed (Rs.)
	1.	Initial Cost Price	100.00	100.00
	2.	Centre's Tax	11.00	12.1
	3.	State (X)'s Tax (Originating)	11.00	0
	4.	State (Y)'s Tax (Destination)	16.91	12.1
	5.	State's Total Tax	27.91	12.1
	6.	Total Tax paid to Govt.	38.91	24.2
	7.	Final value paid by Consumer	152.97	145.2

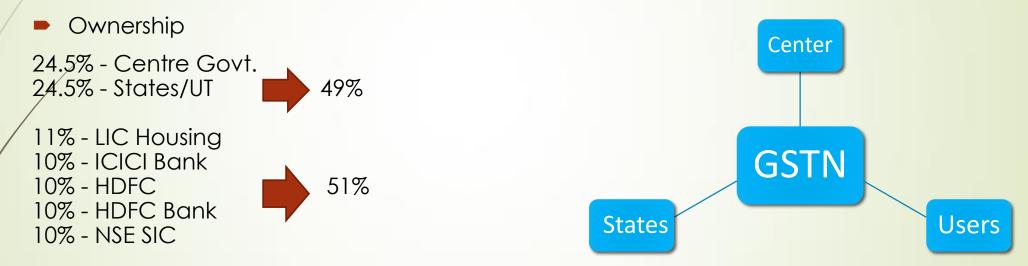
#### Assumptions :

Three levels of transactions (two manufacturing & one retail sale), each involving value addition of 10% Tax Rates assumed:

CENVAT Rate = 10%; VAT Rate = 10%; CST Rate = 2%; Entry Tax = Rs. 3/-CGST Rate = 10%; SGST Rate = 10%; IGST Rate = 20%

# Goods and Services Tax Network(GSTN)

- Success of GST lies in invoice matching and robust IT backbone
- Set up by the Government as a not for profit private company under erstwhile Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956.



- Infosys is the service provider of GSTN.
- Data Storage Behemoth : 80 lakh user, 1.2 lakh transactions in a second/320 crore transactions per month // 60000 users per second.

### Challenges & Way Ahead :: Discussions

- Stabilization of rules and procedures
- Invoice matching
- Returns Finalization
- IT glitches
- Onboarding of users
- Economic Downturn

**Emerging Issues** : Fake invoices/Circular Trading / Banking frauds





Notice of Tamil Nadu Govt.

From 1.7.2017 onwards as GST has been launched, there is no need for vehicles to stop at Commercial Taxes Check Posts. One Nation One Market

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