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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

No. XVI-PLA/LAS/REF/2026.

Puducherry, dated 28th August 2026.

In pursuance of rule 140 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of the Puducherry Legislative Assembly, 1966, the following Bill viz.,

1. The Puducherry Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026 (Bill No. 8 of 2026).

which was introduced and passed in the Legislative Assembly on the 28th August, 2026, is hereby published for general information.

J. DAYALANE,
Secretary.

THE PUDUCHERRY GOODS AND SERVICES TAX
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2026

(Bill No. 8 of 2026)

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BILL

**further to amend the Puducherry Goods and
Services Tax Act, 2017.**

Be it enacted by the Puducherry Legislative
Assembly in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic
of India as follows:—

Short title and
commencement. 1. (1) This Act may be called the Puducherry
Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Act, 2026.

(2) Save as otherwise provided in this Act,
the provisions of this Act shall come into force on such
date, with prospective or retrospective effect, as the
Government of Puducherry may, by notification in the
Official Gazette, appoint.

Provided that different dates may be appointed
for different provisions of this Act and any reference
in any such provision to the commencement of this Act,
shall be construed as a reference to the coming into
force of that provision.

Amendment of
section 15. 2. In the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 Act
(hereinafter referred to as the 'Principal Act'), in section 15, No. 6
in sub-section (3), for clause (b), the following clause of
shall be substituted, namely:— 2017.

“(b) after the supply has been effected, if for
such discount, a credit note has been issued by the
supplier and input tax credit as is attributable to such
discount has been reversed by the recipient of the
supply, in accordance with the provisions of section 34.”.

3. In section 34 of the Principal Act, in sub-section (1), after the words “both supplied are found to be deficient”, the words, brackets, letter and figures “or where a discount referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 15 is given” shall be inserted. Amendment of section 34.

4. In section 54 of the Principal Act,— Amendment of section 54.

(a) in sub-section (6), after the words “supply of goods or services or both”, the words, brackets and figures “or of unutilised input tax credit allowed under clause (ii) of the first proviso to sub-section (3)” shall be inserted;

(b) in sub-section (14), after the words, brackets and figures “sub-section (5) or sub-section (6)”, the words “, other than cases where refund of tax is claimed on account of goods exported out of India with payment of tax,” shall be inserted.

5. In section 101A of the Principal Act, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:— Amendment of section 101 A.

‘(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), till the National Appellate Authority is constituted under that sub-section, the Government, may on the recommendations of the Council, by notification, empower any existing Authority constituted under any law for the time being in force to hear appeals made under section 101B and in such case,—

(a) the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (13) shall not apply; and

(b) any reference to the National Appellate Authority under this Chapter shall be construed as a reference to such Authority.

Explanation — For the purposes of this sub-section, the expression “existing Authority” shall include a Tribunal.’.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Various decisions have been taken by the Goods and Services Tax Council requiring amendments in the Goods and Services Tax Laws. Accordingly, the Principal Act, the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (12 of 2017) has been amended by the enactments of the Parliament.

2. In order to maintain the uniformity in applicability of the provisions of the Principal Act, 2017 and the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (6 of 2017), it is proposed to amend the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 ("the Act").

3. The proposed Puducherry Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026, *inter alia*, provides for the following, namely:-

(i) *Clause 2* of the Bill seeks to amend sub-section (3) of section 15 of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act to do away with requirement of linking the post-sale discount with an agreement specifically linked to relevant invoices and to refer to issuance of credit note under section 34 where the input tax credit is reversed by the recipient.

(ii) *Clause 3* of the Bill seeks to amend section 34 of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act so as to include the reference of discount referred under clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 15 in the said section for issuing credit notes for post-supply discounts.

(iii) *Clause 4* of the Bill seeks to amend sub-section (6) of section 54 of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act to extend the provisions of provisional refund to refunds arising out of inverted duty structure. The clause further seeks to amend sub-section (14) of section 54 of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act to provide for removing the threshold limit for refund claim in case of goods exported out of India with payment of tax.

(iv) *Clause 5* of the Bill seeks to insert a new sub-section (1A) in section 101A of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, so as to provide that till the National Appellate Authority is constituted under sub-section (1), the Government may on the recommendation of the Council, by notification, empower any existing Authority to hear appeals made under section 101B.

It further seeks to provide that in such case, the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (13) shall not apply. It also seeks to insert an Explanation in the said sub-section so as to provide that the expression “existing Authority” shall include a Tribunal.

4. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objectives.

N. RANGASAMY,
Chief Minister.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The proposed Puducherry Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026 does not involve any recurring or non-recurring expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the Union territory of Puducherry.

MEMORANDUM REGARDING DELEGATED LEGISLATION

Clause 5 of the Bill seeks to insert sub-section (1A) in section 101A of the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 to provide that the Government may, pending the constitution of the National Appellate Authority, by notification empower an existing Authority, for hearing appeals under section 101B of the CGST Act, 2017; and to provide that the provisions of sub-sections (2) to (13) shall not be applicable where a Tribunal has been so empowered under sub-section (1A). An explanation to sub-section (1A) is also being inserted to clarify that the existing Authority also includes a Tribunal.

2. The matters in respect of which rules may be made in accordance with the provisions of the Bill are matters of procedure and details and it is not practicable to provide for them in the Bill itself.

3. The delegation of legislative power is, therefore, of a normal character.

ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION UNDER
SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 23 OF THE GOVERNMENT OF UNION
TERRITORIES ACT, 1963.

[Copy of Letter No. E-39952/CTD/GST/2026, dated 24-08-2026 from the Hon'ble Chief Minister Thiru N. Rangasamy to the Hon'ble Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Puducherry].

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Puducherry Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026 providing to amend the Puducherry Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (Act No. 6 of 2017), recommends under sub-section (1) of section 23 of the Government of Union Territories Act, 1963 (Central Act 20 of 1963), the introduction in and consideration by the Legislative Assembly of the said Bill.
