

REGISTRATION U/S 12A/ 80G

Income Tax Department vide Notification No. 19/2021 dated 26th March 2021 has prescribed the procedure for re-registration of trust u/s 10(23C)/ 12A/ 80G of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

All existing trusts registered u/s 10(23C)/ 12A/80G have to re- register with the IT Department.

Important points are as under:

- 1) Re-registration u/s 80G/12A has to be done in Form No. 10A. (It seems that application for registration u/s 12A and 80G will have to be done separately. The clarification will be needed from the department in this regard as the application form is same for both the registrations.)
- 2) The registration has to be done within a period of 3 months from 1st April 2021, i.e. upto 30-06-2021.
- 3) The registration shall be valid for a period of 5 years.
- 4) The subsequent registration at the end of 5 years shall be done in Form 10AB.
- 5) Details to be furnished with re-registration:
 - i) Certified copy of trust deed.
 - ii) Certificate of Registrar of Companies / Society Registration /Public Trust.
 - iii) FCRA Registration certificate, if registered.
 - iv) Old registration Certificate u/s 12A/ 80G.
 - v) Audited Accounts of last 3 years.
 - vi) Notes on the activities of the trust / institution.

Furnishing of the statement u/s 80G

From F.Y. 2021-22, every trust / institution registered u/s 80G shall have to furnish a statement of donations based on which the deduction will be available to the donors.

The important points are as under:

- 1) The details of donations have to be furnished in Form No. 10BD annually, on or before 31st May of the subsequent financial year (e.g. The statement for F.Y. 2021-22 will have to be furnished on or before 31-05-2022)
- 2) Following information shall be required to be furnished in the statement (Form 10BD) :
 - i) PAN / Aadhaar Number of the donor.
 - ii) If PAN / Aadhaar is not available then either the passport No. / Elector's photo identity / Driving License/ Ration Card/ Tax Payer identification Number where the person resides.
 - iii) Type of donation i.e. Corpus / Specific Grant/ Others.
 - iv) Mode of receipt – Cash/ Kind/ Electronic modes including Account Payee Cheque / Others.
 - v) After furnishing Form 10BD, every donor should be furnished a certificate in Form 10BE on or before 31st May of the subsequent financial year.
 - vi) The certificate in Form 10BE to be given to the donor will be available for download from the website of the Income tax Department after furnishing of Form 10BD.

Note – It is important to maintain a complete record of all donors including PAN and address from 1-4-2021