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Maximum Marks – 70

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. The question paper comprises two parts, Part I and Part II.
2. Part I comprises Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs).
3. Part II comprises questions which require descriptive type answers.
4. Ensure that you receive the question paper relating to both the parts. If you have not received both, bring it to the notice of the invigilator.
5. Answers to MCQs in Part I are to be marked on the OMR answer sheet as given on the cover page of descriptive answer book only. Answers to questions in Part II are to be written in the same descriptive answer book. Answers to MCQs, if written inside the descriptive answer book, will not be evaluated.
6. OMR answer sheet given on the cover page of descriptive answer book will be in English only for all candidates, including for Hindi medium candidates.
7. **The bar coded sticker provided in the attendance register, is to be affixed only on the descriptive answer book.**
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9. Duration of the examination is 3 hours. You will be required to submit (a) Part I of the question paper containing MCQs, and (b) the answer book in respect of descriptive answer book with OMR cover page to the invigilator before leaving the exam hall, after the conclusion of the exam.
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PART – II**70 Marks**

1. Question paper comprises 6 questions. Answer Question No. 1 which is compulsory and any 4 out of the remaining 5 questions.
2. Working notes should form part of the answer.
3. Answers to the questions are to be given only in English except in the case of candidates who have opted for Hindi Medium. If a candidate has not opted for Hindi Medium, his/her answers in Hindi will not be evaluated.
4. All the questions should be answered on the basis of position of (i) GST law as amended by significant Notifications / Circulars issued till 31st October, 2022 and (ii) CGST Act, 2017 and IGST Act, 2017 as amended by the Finance Act, 2022 and which have become effective upto 31st October, 2022 and (iii) Customs law as amended by the Finance Act, 2022 including significant Notifications and Circulars issued and other legislative amendments made upto 31st October, 2022.

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PART – II

1. Vasudev is a mining contractor. He has crossed the threshold limit for registration in the preceding financial year 2022-23 and is now duly registered under GST in the State of Gujarat. He has undertaken following transactions during the month of April, 2023 -:

S. No.	Particulars	Value of supply in ₹ (exclusive of taxes)
(a)	Vasudev is an operating member in mining and exploration services at Aliabet Oilfield, Bhavnagar, Gujarat. He has provided certain services to the Joint Venture (JV) at same site in which he is also a member. He believes that the consideration received from the JV is 'Cost Recovery' and not taxable.	15,00,000
(b)	He has purchased certain machinery from Mumbai, Maharashtra, to render services to the JV at Aliabet Oilfield.	8,00,000
(c)	He has obtained professional services from a senior advocate of Ahmedabad, Gujarat to represent him in a matter before the tribunal.	1,50,000
(d)	He was allotted an office on rent by the State Government of Gujarat close to the sea shore of Aliabet Oilfield.	2,50,000

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(e)	He got a portion of the petroleum silt (non-taxable under GST) as part of compensation while exploring the petroleum reserves at Aliabet Oilfield – which as per the contract with the government is part of ‘Cost Petroleum’.	8,00,000
(f)	He sells the petroleum silt (non-taxable under GST) to a SEZ Developer in Bhavnagar, Gujarat. He has already filed LUT under GST.	7,50,000
(g)	Consideration received in the nature of recovery of bond amount in case of 3 employees leaving employment before a minimum period of 1 year as per the terms of contract.	75,000
(h)	Consideration received towards transfer of tenancy rights in Gujarat, which according to Vasudev is not liable to GST as it has suffered stamp duty.	7,00,000
(i)	Consideration received from mining lease holders for renting of 5 dumpers including driver given for transport of minerals within the mining area for a period of 2 years.	5,00,000
(j)	He has been assigned the mining right from Government and the amount of IGST involved against royalty payment is ₹ 3,00,000/-	-

Additional information :

- (1) Vasudev has filed bond/LUT to claim benefits under zero rated supplies.

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- (2) Assume the CGST and SGST rates to be 2.5% each and IGST rate to be 5% on supply of goods.
- (3) Assume the CGST and SGST rates to be 9% each and IGST rate to be 18% on supply of services.
- (4) There is opening balance of ₹ 34,000 in the Electronic Cash ledger (SGST). And there was brought forward ITC of ₹ 15,000 in Electronic Credit ledger (IGST), ₹ 50,000 in Electronic Credit ledger (CGST), ₹ 9,000 in Electronic Credit ledger (SGST).

From the above details, compute the minimum net GST payable by Vasudev in cash (CGST, SGST or IGST as the case may be) for the month of April, 2023. Working notes should form part of your answer.

2. (a) M/s Diva Fashions (Proprietor Ms. Diva), a registered supplier in Ludhiana (Punjab) under GST law, has made the following supplies in the month of February 2023.

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- (i) Supply of designer silk dresses packed in designer boxes to a boutique in Mumbai, (Maharashtra) as per contract entered with the boutique amounting to ₹ 25,00,000.
- (ii) Supply of 600 kits (at ₹ 1000 each kit) amounting to ₹ 6,00,000 to Mrs. Arora in Amritsar (Punjab). Each kit consisted of 1 silk dupatta, 1 sari brooch and 1 lipstick.

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- (iii) M/s Diva Fashions organizes a fashion show in Chandigarh. Zion Exports Ltd, a registered entity in Jaipur (Rajasthan) has sponsored the show for which M/s Diva Fashions received ₹ 7,50,000 from it.
- (iv) 200 kits are given as free gifts to customers on the occasion of 5th anniversary of M/s Diva Fashions. Each kit consists of 1 silk dupatta and 1 sari brooch. Cost of each kit is ₹ 350. The open market value of such kit of goods and of goods of like kind and quality is not available. Input tax credit has not been taken on the goods contained in the kit.
- (v) Professional services provided free of cost by Ms. Diva to her independent married sister to set up her own boutique in Delhi. Cost of providing such services is ₹ 1,00,000, but the open market value of such services and of services of like kind and quality is not available.
- (vi) M/s Diva Fashions enters into a contract on 1st February, 2021 for 3 years with Miss Shikha, a local model to act as a brand ambassador for their products for ₹ 1 lakh (exclusive of GST – 18% IGST, 9% CGST and SGST each) per annum. Miss Shikha terminated the contract on 2nd February 2023. As per the contract, M/s Diva Fashions received 25% of the total contract fees paid to Miss Shikha as the contract is terminated before 3 years, on 15th February, 2023. Miss Shikha had received the contract fee for 2 years at the time of termination of the contract.

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Other information are given below -

- (a) All above amounts are exclusive of GST.
- (b) Mrs. Arora paid interest of ₹ 8,850 (inclusive of GST) for delay in making payment to M/s Diva Fashions.
- (c) Assume rates of GST as under -:

S. No.	Particulars	Rate of IGST	Rate of CGST	Rate of SGST
1	Silk Dresses	18%	9%	9%
2	Designer Boxes	28%	14%	14%
3	Silk Dupatta	12%	6%	6%
4	Sari Brooch	18%	9%	9%
5	Lipstick	5%	2.5%	2.5%
6	Sponsorship received from Zion Exports Ltd	28%	14%	14%
7	Professional services	18%	9%	9%

From the above information, compute the total GST liability of M/s Diva Fashions for the month of February, 2023. Working notes should form part of your answer.

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- (b) ABC Industries of Mumbai imported certain goods from United States of America. Expenses incurred with respect to import are given below:

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Cost of Goods	\$ 40,000
Transport charges from factory of exporter to the port for shipment	\$ 800
Freight charges from US to India	\$ 5,000
Lighterage charges paid by ABC Industries at the port in India	₹ 12,000
Freight incurred from port of entry to Inland container depot	₹ 40,000
Ship demurrage charges paid at Indian port of importation	₹ 12,000
ABC Industries incurred designing charges necessary for those goods which were paid to WOW Designers in New Delhi.	₹ 75,000

Date of Bill of Entry is 16.02.2023 (Rate of BCD 20%, Notified Exchange Rate by CBIC is ₹ 70 per US \$)

Date of Entry Inward 16.03.2023 (Rate of BCD 10%, Notified Exchange Rate by CBIC is ₹ 75 per US \$)

SWS rate is 10% and rate of IGST is ₹ 12%. Compute Assessable Value of imported goods, Basic Customs Duty and IGST. Ignore GST Compensation Cess.

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3. (a) Explain in brief whether the below mentioned independent cases of supply of services provided are exempt or taxable under GST as per the provisions of GST law including notifications issued thereunder:

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- (i) Himalayan Wanderers Campsite, a registered entity under GST, has fixed up various tents in Shimla, for lodging purposes being offered to tourists and trekkers. The details of tents rented by Himalayan Wanderers Campsite on 8th December, 2022 is as under –

No. of tents rented	Amount of rent charged per tent per day	Nature of occupancy
10	₹ 600	Single
15	₹ 1000	Double

- (ii) Fables Infotech LLP, a limited liability partnership firm having registered place of business in Hyderabad under GST, entered into a contract with Neeta Services for providing air conditioned mini vans for 1 year for transportation of its female employees working in night shifts to be picked up from designated spots every day at 9.00 p.m. except weekends and dropped to the office. The same female employees were again picked up from office at 6.30 a.m. every morning except weekends and dropped back at the same spots from where they were picked up.

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(iii) HumTum Services Limited, registered under GST provided catering services to Baljatan Anganwadi, an educational institute providing pre-school education amounting to ₹ 2,50,000 in the month of February, 2023.

(iv) 50 women from different cities pursuing diploma in management courses, participated in the 'Leadership Program' designed especially for women for a duration of 9 months by IIM, Bangalore (a certificate as to their participation was awarded to each one of them after the completion of the programme).

(v) Mr. Ashok rented his residential flat to his friend Dr. Kishore, who is not registered under GST Act, 2017 for use as his medical clinic at a monthly rent of ₹ 15000.

(b) Mr. X, a trader dealing exclusively in supply of goods and paying tax under normal scheme (also eligible for composition scheme), submit the following details for coming Financial Year 2023-24. You are required to determine which scheme will be more beneficial to him and whether Mr. X should opt for composition scheme. Estimated data for coming Financial Year 2023-24 are as follows.

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Particular	Amount (₹)
Inward supplies of goods from registered suppliers (amount exclusive of GST and goods chargeable to normal rate of GST @12%)	70,00,000
Outward supplies of goods to unregistered customers (sale price of goods inclusive of GST) - Normal Rate of GST is @12%)	90,00,000

Other information is as given below:

- (i) Inherent nature expenses ₹ 4,50,000 per year under both the schemes.
 - (ii) Books of account maintenance cost under normal scheme ₹ 2,00,000 yearly whereas under composition scheme it will be ₹ 75,000 yearly.
 - (iii) Return filing expenses under normal scheme ₹ 48,000 yearly whereas under composition scheme it will be ₹ 12,000 yearly.
- (c) Importer Mr. M is engaged in importing and distributing of sports goods. He imports sports product from Mr Q of Malaysia and sells it under brand name "TrueSpeed". To publicize the product, Mr. M spent on AMP (Advertisement, Marketing and Promotion) of the product. The department contended that AMP expenses incurred by M were required to be added in the value of imported goods. Whether the contention of department is correct ?

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4. (a) EverYoung Manufacturers LLP, a registered supplier under GST is engaged in manufacturing of ayurvedic cosmetic products within the State of Gujarat. It provides the following information for the month of January, 2023:

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Particulars for the month of January, 2023	Rate of CGST	Rate of SGST	Value of supply (excluding GST)
Outward supply of skin care products	2.5%	2.5%	50,00,000
Outward supply of skin care products	6%	6%	50,000
Inward supply of Inputs for skin care products	6%	6%	35,00,000
Inward supply of Input services	2.5%	2.5%	5,00,000
Inward supply of capital goods	9%	9%	25,00,000

Other information :

- (a) ITC in respect of all types of inward supply as given above was claimed in the relevant GSTR 3B and the same was also reflected in GSTR 2B.
- (b) All other conditions for claiming the refund are duly complied with.
- (c) No refund was claimed for the month of January 2023.

You are requested to compute the 'Maximum refund amount' eligible for inverted duty structure. Working notes should form part of your answer.

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- (b) Decide with reason whether e-way bill is required to be issued under CGST Act, 2017 in the following independent cases:

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A. SV Electricals Ltd., a registered supplier of electronic goods, is required to send from Delhi, a consignment of parts of LED TV to be replaced under warranty at various client locations in Gurugram (Haryana). The value of consignment declared in delivery challan accompanying the goods is ₹65,000. SV Electricals Ltd. claims that since movement of goods to Gurugram (Haryana) is caused due to reasons other than supply, e-way bill is not mandatorily required to be generated in this case. You are required to examine the technical veracity of the claim made by SV Electricals Ltd.

B. Tree Ltd. Registered in Kerala, sends goods to its job worker Woods & Co. in Tamil Nadu, which is also registered under GST. Value of the consignment was ₹37,500 (including GST).

- (c) The custom authorities of India noticed that there is an increase in the quantity of Solar PV Products imported into the country. So, on the recommendation of Director General (Specific Safeguard), the Central Government via Notification in Official Gazette imposed safeguard duty @25% on the import of Solar PV Products.

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ABC Exports an importer in Bhuvneshwar imported Solar PV Products from Vietnam at landed price (exclusive of duties) of ₹ 30 lakhs. Assume that IGST u/s 3(7) is 12%, BCD is 10% and SWS @10%. Determine the total duties payable under Customs Act. Ignore agriculture infrastructure and development cess.

Will it change your answer if ABC Exports is a SEZ unit? Explain discussing applicable provisions.

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5. (a) KK Pvt. Ltd. self-assessed its tax liability as ₹1,15,000 for the month of May 2022, but failed to make the payment. 5

Subsequently the Department initiated penal proceedings against KK Pvt. Ltd. for recovery of penalty under Section 73 for failure to pay GST and issued show cause notice on 12th September 2022, which was received by KK Pvt. Ltd. on 17th September 2022.

KK Pvt. Ltd. deposited the tax along with interest on 27th September 2022 and informed the department on the same day.

Department is contending that he is liable to pay a penalty of ₹57,500 (i.e. 50% of ₹1,15,000).

Examine the correctness of the stand taken by the Department with reference to the provisions of the CGST Act. Explain the relevant provisions in brief.

- (b) Mr. Raj intends to start a new manufacturing business in Jaipur. 4
However, he is not able to determine the classification of the goods proposed to be manufactured and supplied by him since the classification of said goods has been contentious. Mr. Raj read an article about advance ruling in the newspaper and decided to apply for advance ruling so as to avoid litigation later.

Mr. Rahul, who is friend of Mr. Raj is also engaged in the supply of goods similar to which Mr. Raj proposes to manufacture in Jaipur and Mr. Rahul advised him to apply the same classification as of his, since he has already taken advance ruling order regarding classification of the said goods.

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Mr. Raj's tax consultant also agreed with the advice given by Mr. Rahul. Mr. Raj also thought it to be a good decision since he was unregistered and thought that he needed to be registered to apply for advance ruling in his name.

You are required to advise Mr. Raj with respect to following :

- (a) Whether Mr. Raj and his tax consultant are right and can classify the goods proposed to be supplied by Mr. Raj on the basis of his friend Mr. Rahul's advance ruling order ?
- (b) Whether Raj needs to get registered to apply for advance ruling ?
- (c) Mr. Noddy, aged 40 years and a citizen of Australia, is on a solo trip to India for 1 month to meet his Indian friend residing in Mumbai. He carries with him following articles as part of baggage -:

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Particulars	Value in ₹
Used personal effects	80,000
Other articles carried on in person	1,00,000
65 cartridges of fire arms @ ₹ 1000 per cartridge	65,000
150 gms of tobacco @ ₹ 10 per gram	1,500
Mobile phone	50,000
50 cigars of ₹ 100 each	5,000
Used personal effects of his infant child for donation	10,000

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With reference to the Baggage rules 2016, indicate the taxability and taxable value in respect of each item in the table under baggage rules or otherwise. Also calculate the customs duty payable on baggage rounded off to the nearest rupee in accordance with law. Ignore agriculture infrastructure and development cess.

6. (a) M/s Blue Berry Traders, a registered person under GST, issued a tax invoice on 1st August, 2022 to M/s Blue Lagoon Traders without any underlying supply of goods or services amounting to Input Tax Credit (ITC) involved of ₹ 30 lakhs.

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M/s Blue Lagoon Traders avails ITC on the basis of the said tax invoice. The department issued a show cause notice to M/s Blue Lagoon Traders on 1st April, 2023 specifying the amount of tax along with interest payable thereon u/s 50 and applicable penalty. M/s Blue Lagoon Traders paid the amount of tax along with interest payable thereon u/s 50 specified in the show cause notice on 15th April, 2023 and also along with applicable penalty.

Explain the relevant provision in brief and determine the amount of penalty to be paid by M/s Blue Berry Traders and M/s Blue Lagoon Traders under CGST Act, 2017 in respect of above referred transaction.

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Mr. Jumbo had filed an appeal before the Appellate Tribunal against an order of the Appellate Authority where the issue involved relates to place of supply. The order of Appellate Tribunal came also in favour of the Department. Mr. Jumbo now wants to file an appeal against the decision of the Appellate Tribunal as he feels the stand taken by him is correct.

You are required to advise him suitably with regard to filing of an appeal before the appellate forum higher than the Appellate Tribunal.

- (b) What are the powers available to proper officers for scrutiny of returns under GST. The proper officer while conducting scrutiny of returns under Section 61 of the CGST Act, 2017, detected discrepancy in the return filed by M/s R Kumar Pvt. Ltd. (registered under GST). Explain the recourse that may be taken by the proper officer in case proper explanation is not furnished by M/s R Kumar Pvt. Ltd. 5
- (c) Under which provisions of Constitution of India, government is empowered to levy taxes, custom duty and export duties. You are required to write a note on related provisions and restrictions under the Constitution of India. 5

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