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To,
The Chairman,
Central Board of Direct Taxes,
Ministry of Finance/ Department of Revenue,
Government of India,
North Block, NEW DELHI – 110001

Hon'ble Sir,

Sub: Request for extension of Time Limit for filing of Income Tax Returns by one month i.e. upto 31.8.2023 for the assessment year 2024-25 for those Taxpayers whose due date is 31st July, 2024.

All-India Federation of Tax Practitioners is an Association of Tax Advocates, Chartered Accountants and practitioners representing over 11000 members and also 115 Tax Associations.

We must firstly congratulate your honour for various recommendation which are incorporated in the Union Budget to rationalize various provisions of the Income tax Act 1961. We also appreciate the announcement of making a new SIMPLE Income Tax Act in next 6 months. We desire to fully support the exercise and are willing to actively contribute in the matter.

We would like to bring to your honour notice that there are many problems in filing the return which is due on 31.7.2024. The same is summarized as under: -

- (i) For some time past, there were various problems in the Income Tax Portal and software. Further the functioning of the Portal is extremely slow. It is very difficult to download form 26AS, AIS and TIS, and to verify it.
- (ii) The flood situation in U.P., Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Tamilnadu, Maharastra, Gujarat, Bihar, Delhi and many other parts of the country has adversely affected the taxpayers and they are unable to furnish their Income Tax Returns. That apart there is landslide in Uttaranchal and Himachal Pradesh.



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- (iii) Since section 87A is amended, the same has to be given effect to, to file revised returns.
- (iv) The budget was presented on 23rd July, 2024 and the taxpayers and employees were busy in understanding the impact of budget for reporting to their Seniors so that they can discuss in meetings.
- (v) Payment of self -assessment tax through bank takes much time to download challan.
- (vi) The utility has once again been changed on 27.7.2024 for ITR 1 to ITR 4. This will require changes in the software which will take a little time.
- (vii) The above problems are not localized but are all India problems and therefore we have not highlighted individuals' problems in one or more particular territory like in UP "Kanwar" is going on etc.

In the circumstances we pray for extension of date for filing ITRS by one month till 31st August, 2024. We hope your honour will kindly look into the issue favorably.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

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