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In pursuance of the decision of the GST Implementation Committee the provision for deduction of tax at source provided in Section 51 of the Sikkim Goods & Services Tax Act, 2017 and Section 51 of the Central Goods & Services Tax Act, 2017 shall not come into effect from 1st July 2017.

The decision is taken in view of the fact that the preparation in part of the Government departments and agencies of various States are not yet been completed to be able to implement the system from first day of roll out. Moreover, the relaxation given for filing of return in GSTR 1, GSTR 2 and GSTR 3 by the registered taxpayers for the months of July and August 2017 have made filing of return by Government departments and agencies in GSTR 7 non-mandatory.

Therefore, this is to inform all the Drawing & Disbursing Officers of the Government of Sikkim that the GST (SGST and CGST) charged on any bill dated after 30th June 2017 for sale of goods or execution of works contract, shall not be deducted at source till the relevant section is enforced by issue of notification.

However, if there is any pending bills dated prior to 1st July 2017 against which payment will have to be made after 30th June 2017, the VAT and Environment Cess shall be deducted at source as per the existing system.

Principal Secretary,
Finance, Revenue & Expenditure Department.

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