NOTIFICATION

Whereas the Life Insurance Corporation of India and other Insurance Companies operating from the State of Sikkim, having their registered office outside the state of Sikkim, are affixing the Insurance Stamps of other states in their policy deeds resulting to a substantial revenue loss to the State Government.

Now, in pursuance to the clause (1) of "Court Fees & Stamps on Documents Rules 1928", and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Sikkim is pleased to allow the Life Insurance Corporation of India and other Insurance Companies operating in Sikkim to use revenue stamp issued by Government of Sikkim including E-stamps with immediate effect. Accordingly, the insurance companies operating in the State of Sikkim are permitted to consolidate with the prior approval of the Government the cost of revenue stamp chargeable on the Insurance policies to be issued by them.

1. The Zonal Offices / Branch offices of the Life Insurance Corporation and other Insurance companies in the State may in respect of the Insurance Policies to be issued shall apply in writing to the State Government seeking permission for consolidation of cost of stamp under the rules, payable on the basis of any expected quarterly consumption of policy Stamps by the branches in the State of Sikkim based on past quarterly consumption. Full details shall be furnished by the Zonal Offices/ Branch offices after compilation of such information branch-wise to the State Government. The unutilized balance amount, if any shall be allowed to carried forward to the next quarter.
2. On receipt of such application in the prescribed form duly accepting the terms and conditions as may be laid down, the State Government may permit such Zonal Offices / Branch offices of the Life Insurance Corporation or other Insurance Companies to credit the consolidated amount payable quarterly to the State Bank of Sikkim in the Government account under the Head "0030-Stamp & Registration -02-Non-Judicial Stamp, 102-Sale of Stamps" through Challan to be raised by the Drawing & Disbursing Officer of Finance, Revenue & Expenditure Department and submit the receipted Challan in original showing the quarterly deposit to him.

3. After the receipts of such amount quarterly under the above head, the State Government through Finance, Revenue & Expenditure Department shall permit the said Zonal Offices / Branch offices of the Life Insurance Corporation or other Insurance companies to issue stamp proportionate to the value of deposit on quarterly basis for consumption for issues of policies by its branches in the State of Sikkim. Thereafter, upon issue of such order the said Zonal offices / Branch offices of the Life Insurance Corporation or other Insurance Companies shall issue such Insurance Policies by printing thereon the words:

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REVENUE
"Consolidated cost of stamps (Revenue) has been paid vide Authorization No_________________ Dated_________________ for Rs.______________(Rupees______________) Certified that the cost of Stamp (Revenue) of this deed amounting to Rs.______________(Rupees______________) has been accounted for against this authorization. ________________"
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4. The concerned Zonal Offices/ Branch offices of the Life Insurance Corporation or other Insurance Companies shall maintain proper accounts of all such authorizations and the amount of Insurance stamps utilized against authorized value. They shall forward a statement of account to the Controller of Accounts, Finance Revenue & Expenditure Department in the prescribed format.
latest by 10th of every succeeding month or at the time of obtaining fresh authorization for stamps.

5. The State Government if deemed necessary shall have the right to conduct the audit of accounts of such transactions of the Insurance companies through any Statutory or Internal Audit of the Government from time to time.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR.

Sd/-
Principal Secretary
Finance, Revenue and Expenditure Department

Memo No: Fin/Adm/07-11/394/1-12 Dated 19/5/2016

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