

NOTIFICATION

No.SRB-4-6-Legal/2012/5927.-- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 18 of the Sindh Revenue Board Act, 2010, the Government of Sindh are pleased to make the following rules:-

- <u>Short title and commencement.</u> (1) These rules may be called the Sindh Revenue Board (reward) Rules. 2012.
 - (2) They shall come into force at once.
- 2. <u>Definitions.</u>(1) In these rules, unless the context requires otherwise
 - a) "Act" means the Sindh Sales Tax on Services Act, 2011;
 - b) "Board" means the Sindh Revenue Board;
 - c) "Chairman" means the Chairman of Board;
 - d) "Government" means Government of Sindh
 - e) "Informer" means a person providing any specific and definite information to the Board with regard to detection of any unregistered unit or non or short payment or evasion of the tax but does not include an employee of the Board;
 - f) "reward" means the amount of un-paid and/or short-paid tax detected during a tax period succeeding at least nine tax periods to the period to which the tax amount relates;
 - g) "Section" means section of the Act.

3.	Scale and payment of Reward.	(1) Th	e reward	to the	informer	shall be	as per
	following scale: -						

S.No.	Amount of un-paid or short-paid or	Amount of reward			
	evaded tax or realized				
1	Exceeding Rs. 10,000 but not exceeding Rs.	5% of the amount of the tax			
	100,000/-	involved			
2	Exceeding Rs. 100,000/- but not exceeding	Rs. 5000/- + 3% of the			
	Rs. 1,000,000/-	amount of tax exceeding Rs.			
		1,000,000/-			
3	Exceeding Rs. 1, 000, 000/-, but not	Rs. 32, $000/- + 2.5\%$ of the			
	exceeding Rs. 10, 000, 000/-	amount of tax exceeding Rs.			
	-	1,000,000/-			
4	Exceeding Rs. 10, 000, 000/-	Rs. 257, 000/- + 1.25%			

(2) The informer shall, for detection of a unit liable to registration under section 24 which have failed to get registered with the Board, be eligible to reward not exceeding rupees ten thousand in each such case after the person detected as un-registered has been registered and files his tax returns and tax realized is more than rupees fifty thousand in the three tax periods.

(3) In the other cases or matters, sanction and payment of reward shall be made only where the information of the informer is definite and specific, documents produced and assistance provided in the inquiry leads to detection and collection of evaded tax amount which is at least five times more than reward due.

(4) The evaded amount of tax shall mean the tax specified in sub-section (41) of section 2, or in sub-section (1A) of section 47 thereof.

4. <u>**Reward Sanctioning Authority.-**</u> The Board shall be the competent authority to sanction the reward under these rules.

5. <u>Registration and Privileges of Informer.</u> The officer of the Board, receiving any information from the informer shall enter the details thereof in a secret register maintained in the office of Chairman.

(2) After obtaining an informer secret code in relation to the information from that secret register, the concerned officer of the Board shall pursue the information and all correspondence and sanction order, in relation to the informer, shall be made with reference to the informer secret code number.

(3) The identity of the informer shall not be disclosed to any person, Authority, Agency, Department or Officer unless permitted, in writing, by the Chairman.

6. <u>Processing of Reward Case.</u> (1) The reward case, in relation to informers, shall be processed by the officer of the Board who received and pursued that information under the guidance of the Member concerned who shall submit his recommendations to the Board.

(2) The competent authority as specified in rule 4 shall not be bound by the recommendations and shall sanction the reward amount as per his use discretion, objectively subject to the limit specified in these rules and the graduated scale shall be relatable to the amount of tax evaded realized collected as per rule 3(3), or in case of registration as per rule 3(2).

(3)The competent authority may sanction the award or reject it in full or any part thereof without assigning any reason. The decision of the competent authority shall be final and shall not be questioned or appealed in any forum.

8. <u>**Power to Issue Procedures, Guidelines and Instruction,-**</u> The Board may prescribed the procedure and issue further instructions and guidelines in relation to any matter connected with or incidental to the operation of these rules.

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