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GDP is up, Economic Growth is UP, Per Capita Income is Up BUT

The stock market is down by 500 points





What happened ? Read on .....









Dear Members,

The Budget 2007 just came in. Some big points: AND How they effect you?



1. Change in Excise Due to increase in Education cess

	Basic	Cess	Total
Excise-old	16.00%	0.32%	16.32%
Excise –New	16.00%	0.48%	16.48%

- a. So, all of you have to charge this new rate on all your shipments (excisable bills)
- b. Change your software to charge the new Rate of Cess
- c. From when ? → from tomorrow morning



# 2. Change in Service tax rate

- a. (people were anticipating, that rate may rise from 12% to 14%.)
- b. However, it has not.
- c. No change prima facie
- d. But Increase in Education Cess has increased it anyway

# Service Tax Rates

	Basic	Cess	Total
Excise-old	12	0.24	12.24
Excise -New	12	0.36	12.36

- e. So, all of you have to charge this new rate of Service Tax on future Billing.
- f. Who is effected? All --- your CA, your ISO-9000 consultant, your Architect, your builder, telephone bill, insurance payments, Bank, .... All services on which service tax was levied.
- g. Remember, Change your ERP software to charge the new Rate of Service Tax.
- h. From when ? → from Tomorrow morning → URGENT )



# 3. MAT extended to IT cos and also 100% EOU's

- a. If you have a EOU, making chemicals, or electronics, or castings, or autoparts, or garments, or furniture etc, and you thought it was fully tax free ..... now it has changed, =→ the income is tax free, but the MAT (minimum alternate tax, is in) So, if you had a tax free profit of Rs. 1 crores, now you may the MAT of 10% +s/c +cess = 11.33% = Rs. 11,33,000 tax on that. (that is a big loss to you)
- b. That is big, the Companies like Infosys, etc were paying hardly any tax, on the incomes they derived from the 10A, 10B incomes (Export oriented businesses)
- c. So, they pay more tax. And the stock market does not like this. So the stock markets have shown a marked loss in these shares.



# 4. I-T exemption limit goes up by Rs. 10000 for all individuals etc

- a. This is the Basic amount of income, till which , you do not have to pay any tax. (This is the tax free limit ). Now this has been increased.
  - i. For normal people: Rs. 1,10,000
  - ii. For women hiked to Rs 1,45,000
  - iii. For Senior Citizens = Rs. 1,95,000
- b. So, ?? All of you save → minimum Rs. 1020 each.
- c. (Thank God, for small mercies...!!!)

# 5. Corporate Tax rate goes down for small companies and Firms → How ? Surcharge goes down from 10% to NIL from small companies and firm

- a. All firms and companies with profits of less than Rs. 1 crores, will now pay NIL surcharge.
- b. So, effective tax rate goes down from approx 33% to 30%.
- c. Have a look at the chart below

# Corporate Tax Rates

# for firms and companies

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		10%	2%	
Tax Rate – Old	30	3	0.66	33.66

For small companies (95% of the FSIA members)

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		10%	3%	
Tax Rate – New	30	0	0.9	30.9
*surcharge is NIL since, most of the general companies will fall in				

For Large companies (profit of more than Rs. 1 crores)

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		10%	3%	
Tax Rate – New	30	3	0.99	33.99
*surcharge remains 10% since, Govt feels,				_

if you are big, you can pay more (!!!)

Your rate increased from 33.66% to 33.99%

profit of less than Rs. 1 crore slab.

- 6. Education Cess goes up from 2% to 3%
  a. "1 per cent cess hike to fund higher education"
  - b. Till now, everybody had 2% education cess
    - i. On excise
    - ii. On customs
    - iii. On income tax
    - iv. On TDS
    - v. On TCS

- c. So, now this 2% is increased to 3%.
- d. Result? You pay more tax.
- e. Excise rises, Corporate tax rises, and TDS rises.



# 7. Effect on TDS of increase in Education cess and decrease in Surcharge

# TDS-Individual

# for individuals and HUF - old

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		nil	2%	
TDS-contractor	2		0.04	2.04
TDS-professional	5		0.1	5.1
TCS – scrap	1		0.02	1.02

# for individuals and HUF - New

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		nil	3%	
TDS-contractor	2		0.06	2.06
TDS-professional	5		0.15	5.15
TCS – scrap	1		0.03	1.03

# TDS-Firm/ for Firms and companies - OLD

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		10%	2%	
TDS-contractor	2	0.2	0.04	2.24
TDS-professional	5	0.5	0.1	5.6
TCS - scrap	1	0.1	0.02	1.12

# $\frac{\text{for Firms and companies -}}{\text{NEW}}$

	Basic rate	Surcharge	Cess	Total
		NIL*	2%	
TDS-contractor	2		0.04	2.04
TDS-professional	5		0.1	5.1
TCS - scrap	1		0.02	1.02

\*surcharge is NIL since, most of the general contractors will fall in billing is less than Rs. 1 crore slab.

- a. So, all of you have to charge this new rate of TDS on future TDS deductions.
- b. Change your ERP software to charge the new Rate of TDS / TCS
- c. From when ? → from date of passing the budget (it could be sometime in April to June 2007 → Later on, not now)







# 8. CST rate will be reduced from 4% to 3%

- a. The Govt had brought in VAT across India in last 3 years,
- b. It has brought in good results for the State Governments.
- c. Their VAT revenue rose by average 24% every year. (That is BIG)
- d. Now, as per the promise, the Government has reduced the CST
- e. The promise was 4% to 2%.
- f. However, they have reduced it to 3% this year (w.e.f. 1-4-2007)
- g. Good anyway.

# h. Merits on Purchases side (cost side)

- i. When you purchase something from outside your state (example, in your factory is in Faridabad, and you buy from Delhi, or vice versa), you cannot claim VAT for the CST. So, the cost add-on is generally 4%. This is your cost, you have to bear.
- ii. Now, in new regime, this CST will be 3% only.
- iii. So, the cost goes down.
- iv. And of a yearly Purchase of say, Rs 10 crores your CST was Rs. 40 Lakhs. Now it will be Rs. 30 Lakhs ---- Wow! You just saved Rs. 10 lakhs...... your profit.

# i. Merits on Sales side ( Market penetration side )

- i. When you Sell something to somebody outside your state (example, in your factory is in Faridabad, and you sell to somebody in Delhi / UP / Uttaranchal or vice versa), you had to add CST. And he could not claim VAT for the CST. So, a local vendor was better. And you lost the marketability margin by 4%.
- ii. Now, in new regime, this CST will be 3% only.
- iii. So, the cost difference goes down.
- iv. So, you are more competitive.

# 9. Other points

a. Cash transactions upto Rs 50,000 exempted from levy – for individuals the limit for BCTT free limit rises from 25000 to 50000. No change for companies.

# 10. **Dividend distribution tax** to be hiked to 15%

a. You get lesser (Net) dividend

- b. And if you have funds locked in a group company, and you thought of paying the dividends to yourself. → now the tax expense will be even higher → at 15% + cess. = 15.45%
- 11. Customs is down Peak customs rate to be reduced to 10% instead of 12.5%
  - a. You get cheaper imports.
  - b. Plastic component manufacturers, can look forward to reduction in the raw material prices( PP, LDPE, etc)



and Chidambram for these "measures".

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