¹[Rule 138 : Information to be furnished prior to commencement of movement of goods and generation of e-way bill

- (1) Every registered person who causes movement of goods of consignment value exceeding fifty thousand rupees
 - (i) in relation to a supply; or
 - (ii) for reasons other than supply; or
 - (iii) due to inward supply from an unregistered person,

shall, before commencement of such movement, furnish information relating to the said goods as specified in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01**, electronically, on the common portal along with such other information as may be required at the common portal and a unique number will be generated on the said portal:

Provided that transporter, on an authorization received from the registered person may furnish information in Part A of FORM GST EWB-01, electronically, on the common portal along with such other information as may be required on the common portal and a unique number will be generated on the said portal:

Provided further that where the goods to be transported are supplied through an e-commerce operator or a courier agency, on an authorization received from the consignor, the information in Part A of FORM GST EWB-01 may be furnished by such e-commerce operator or courier agency and a unique number will be generated on the said portal:

Provided also that where the goods are sent by a principal located in the state to a job worker located in any other state, the e-way bill shall be generated either by the principal or the job worker, if registered, irrespective of the value of the consignment:

Provided also that where handicraft goods are transported from the State to another state or Union territory by a person who has been exempted from the requirement of obtaining registration under clauses (i) and (ii) of section 24, the e-way bill shall be generated by the said person irrespective of the value of the consignment.

Explanation 1 – For the purposes of this rule, the expression "handicraft goods" has the meaning as assigned to it in the Government of India, Ministry of Finance, notification No. 32/2017-State Tax dated 15/09/2017

¹ Substituted vide Noti. No. 12/2018 - State Tax dt $\,07/03/2018$ wef $\,07/03/2018$.

² Inserted vide Notification No. 26/2018- State Tax dt. 14/06/2018 wef 14/06/2018

published in the Gazette of India vide number 420, dated 22/09/2017 as amended from time to time.

Explanation 2. – For the purposes of this rule, the consignment value of goods shall be the value, determined in accordance with the provision of Section 15, declared in an invoice, a bill of supply or a delivery challan, as the case may be, issued in respect of the said consignment and also includes the central Tax, State or Union territory tax, integrated tax and cess charged, if any, in the document and shall exclude the value of exempt supply of goods where the invoice is issued in respect of both exempt and taxable supply of goods.

- (2) Where the goods are transported by the registered person as a consignor or the recipient of supply as the consignee, whether in his own conveyance or a hired one or a public conveyance, by road, the said person shall generate the e-way bill in FORM GST EWB-01 electronically on the common portal after furnishing information in Part B of FORM GST EWB-01.
- (2A) Where the goods are transported by railways or by air or by vessel, the eway bill shall be generated by the registered person, being the supplier or the recipient, who shall, either before or after the commencement of movement, furnish, on the common portal, the information in Part B of FORM GST EWB-01:

Provided that where the goods are transported by railways, the railways shall not deliver the goods unless the e-way bill required under these rules is produced at the time of delivery.

(3) Where the e-way bill is not generated under sub-rule (2) and the goods are handed over to a transporter for transportation by road, the registered person shall furnish the information relating to the transporter on the common portal and the e-way bill shall be generated by the transporter on the said portal on the basis of the information furnished by the registered person in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01**:

Provided that the registered person or, the transporter may, at his option, generate and carry the e-way bill even if the value of the consignment is less than fifty thousand rupees:

Provided also that where the goods are transported for a distance of upto fifty kilometres within the State or Union territory from the place of business of the consignor to the place of business of the transporter for further transportation, the supplier or the recipient, or as the case may be, the transporter may not furnish details of conveyance in **Part B** of **FORM GST EWB-01**.

Explanation 1- For the purposes of this sub-rule, where the goods are supplied by an unregistered supplier to a recipient who is registered, the movement shall be said to be caused by such recipient if the recipient is known at the time of commencement of the movement of goods.

- **Explanation 2-** The e-way bill shall not be valid for movement of goods by road unless the information in **Part-B** of **FORM GST EWB-01** has been furnished except in the case of movements covered under the third proviso to sub-rule (3) and the proviso to sub-rule (5).
- (4) Upon generation of the e-way bill on the common portal, a unique e-way bill number (EBN) shall be made available to the supplier, the recipient and the transporter on the common portal.
- (5) Where the goods are transferred from one conveyance to another, the consignor or the recipient, who has provided information in **Part-A of the FORM GST EWB-01**, or the transporter shall, before such transfer and further movement of goods, update the details of conveyance in the e-way bill on the common portal in Part B **FORM GST EWB-01**:
 - **Provided that** where the goods are transported for a distance of upto fifty kilometres within the State or Union territory from the place of business of the transporter finally to the place of business of the consignee, the details of conveyance may not be update in the e-way bill.
- (5A) The consignor or the recipient, who has furnished the information in Part A of FORM GST EWB-01, or the transporter, may assign the e-way bill number to another registered or enrolled transporter for updating the information in Part-B of FORM GST EWB-01 for the further movement of consignment:
 - **Provided** that after the details of the conveyance have been updated by the transporter in **Part B** of **FORM GST EWB-01**, the consignor or recipient, as the case may be, who has furnished the information in **Part-A** of **FORM GST EWB-01** shall not be allowed to assign the e-way bill number to another transporter.
- (6) After e-way bill has been generated in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1), where multiple consignments are intended to be transported in one conveyance, the transporter may indicate the serial number of e-way bills generated in respect of each such consignment electronically on the common portal and a consolidated e-way bill in FORM GST EWB-02 may be generated by him on the said common portal prior to the movement of goods.
- (7) Where the consignor or the consignee has not generated the e-way bill FORM GST EWB-01 and the aggregate of the consignment value of goods carried in the conveyance is more than fifty thousand rupees, the transporter, except in case of transportation of goods by railways, air, vessel, shall, in respect of inter-state supply, generate the e-way bill in FORM GST EWB-01 on the basis of invoice or bill of supply or delivery challan, as the case may be, and may also generate a consolidated e-way bill in FORM GST EWB-02 on the common portal prior to the movement of goods.

Provided that where the goods to be transported are supplied through an e-commerce operator or a courier agency, the information in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01** may be furnished by such e-commerce operator or or a courier agency.

- (8) The information furnished in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01** shall be made available to the registered supplier on the common portal who may utilize the same for furnishing details in **FORM GSTR-1**:
 - **Provided** that when the information has been furnished by an unregistered supplier or an unregistered recipient in **FORM GST EWB-01**, he shall be informed electronically, if the mobile number or the email is available.
- (9) Where an e-way bill has been generated under this rule, but goods are either not transported or are not transported as per the details furnished in the e-way bill, the e-way bill may be cancelled electronically on the common portal, within 24 hours of generation of the e-way bill:
 - **Provided** that an e-way bill cannot be cancelled if it has been verified in transit in accordance with the provisions of rule 138B.
 - **Provided further** the unique number generated under sub-rule (1) shall be valid for a period of fifteen days for updation of **Part-B** of **FORM GST EWB-01**.
- (10) An e-way bill or a consolidated e-way bill generated under this rule shall be valid for the period as mentioned in column (3) of the Table below from the relevant date, for the distance within the country the goods have to be transported, as mentioned in column (2) of the said Table:

Table

| Sr. no. | Distance | Validity period |
|------------|---|--|
| (1) | (2) | (3) |
| 1. | Upto 100 km | One day in cases other than over Dimensional Cargo |
| 2. | For every 100 km or part thereof thereafter | One additional day other than Over Dimensional Cargo |
| 3. | Upto 20 km | One day in case of Over Dimensional Cargo |
| 4. | For every 20 km or part thereof thereafter | One additional day in case Over Dimensional Cargo |

Provided that the Commissioner may, on the recommendation of the Council, by notification, extend the validity period of e-way bill for certain categories of goods as may be specified therein:

Provided further that where, under circumstances of an exceptional nature, including transhipment, the goods cannot be transported within the validity period of the e-way bill, the transporter may extend the validity period after updating the details in **Part B** of **FORM GST EWB-01**, if required.

Explanation 1.-For the purposes of this rule, the "relevant date" shall mean the date on which the e-way bill has been generated and the period of validity shall be counted from the time at which the e-way bill has been generated and each day shall be counted as the period expiring at midnight of the day immediately following the date of generation of e-way bill.

Explanation 2.-For the purposes of this rule, the expression "Over Dimensional Cargo" shall mean a cargo carried as a single individual unit and which exceeds the dimensional limits prescribed in rule 93 of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, made under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988).

- (11) The details of e-way bill generated under this rule shall be made available to the-
 - (a) supplier, if registered, where the information in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01** has been furnished by the recipient or the transporter; or
 - **(b)** recipient, if registered, , where the information in **Part A** of **FORM GST EWB-01**, has been furnished by the supplier or the transporter,

on the common portal, and the supplier or the recipient, as the case may be, shall communicate his acceptance or rejection of the consignment covered by the e-way bill.

- (12) Where the person to whom information specified in sub-rule (11) has been made available does not communicate his acceptance or rejection within seventy two hours of the details being made available to him on the common portal, or the time of delivery of goods whichever is earlier, it shall be deemed that he has accepted the said details.
- (13) The e-way bill generated under rule 138 of the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017 or Goods and Services Tax Rules of any other State or Union territory shall be valid in the State.
- (14) Notwithstanding anything contained in this rule, no e-way bill is required to be generated-
 - (a) where the goods being transported are specified in Annexure;
 - **(b)** where the goods are being transported by a non-motorised conveyance;
 - (c) where the goods are being transported from the port, airport, air cargo complex and land customs station to an inland container depot or a container freight station for clearance by Customs;

- (d) in respect of movement of such goods within such areas in the State and for values not exceeding such amount as the Commissioner of the State Tax in consultation with the Principal Chief Commissioner/ Chief Commissioner of Central Tax, may, subject to conditions that may be specified, notify;
- **(e)** where the goods, other than de-oiled cake, being transported are specified in the Schedule appended to notification No. 2/2017- State Tax (Rate) dated the 28th June, 2017 published in the Gazette of Chhattisgarh, Extraordinary, vide number 252 dated the 29th June, 2017 as amended from time to time
- **(f)** where the goods being transported are alcoholic liquor for human consumption, petroleum crude, high speed diesel, motor spirit (commonly known as petrol), natural gas or aviation turbine fuel;
- **(g)** where the supply of goods being transported is treated as no supply under Schedule III of the Act.
- (h) where the goods are being transported-
 - (i) Under customs bond from an inland container depot or a container freight station to a customs port, airport, air cargo complex and land customs station, or from one customs station or customs port to another customs station or customs port, or
 - (ii) Under customs supervision or under customs seal.
- (i) where the goods being transported are transit cargo from or to Nepal or Bhutan.
- (j) where the goods being transported are exempt from tax under Notification No. 7/2017-State Tax (Rate), dated 28th June 2017 and notification No. 26/2017-State Tax (Rate) dated 23rd September, 2017.
- **(k)** any movement of goods caused by defence formation under Ministry of defence as a consignor or consignee;
- (1) where the congigner of goods is the Central Government, Government of any State or a local authority for transport of goods by rail;
- (m) where empty cargo containers are being transported; and
- (n) where the goods are being transported upto a distance of twenty kilometers from the place of business of the consignor to a weighbridge back to the place of business of the said consignor subject to the condition that movement of the goods is accompanied by a delivery challan issued in accordance with rule 55.
 - Explaination- The facility of generation, cancellation, updation and assignment of e-way bill shall be made available through SMS to the supplier, recipient and the transporter, as the case may be.

(o) ²Where empty cylinders for packing of liquefied petroleum gas are being moved for reasons other than supply.

ANNEXURE [(See Rule 138(14)]

| S. | Description of Goods | |
|-----|---|--|
| No. | | |
| (4) | (0) | |
| (1) | (2) | |
| 1. | Liquified petroleum gas for supply to household and non domestic exempted category (NDEC) customers | |
| 2. | Kerosene oil sold under PDS | |
| 3. | Postal baggage transported by Department of Posts | |
| 4. | Natural or cultured pearls and precious or semi-precious stones; precious metals and metals clad with precious metal (Chapter 71) | |
| 5. | Jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares and other articles (Chapter 71) | |
| 6. | Currency | |
| 7. | Used personal and household effects | |
| 8. | Coral, unworked (0508) and worked coral (9601) | |