
15. ADVANCE TAX

Advance tax paid by the taxpayer

[Section 147]

Presently under section 147(A), a taxpayer, who is required to make payment of advance tax in accordance with sub-section (4), estimates the tax payable for the relevant tax year, at any time before the last installment is due. In case the tax payable is likely to be more than the amount required to be paid under section 147(4), the taxpayer furnishes to the Commissioner an estimate of the amount of tax payable by him and pays such amount after making adjustment for the amount (if any) already paid in terms of sub-section 147(4). It has now been proposed to substitute 147(4A) as under:

A taxpayer who is required to pay advance tax in accordance with section 147(4), shall be required to estimate the tax payable for the relevant tax year, at any time before the 2nd installment is due. In case the tax payable is likely to be more than the amount that the taxpayer is required to pay under section 147(4), the taxpayer shall be required to furnish to the Commissioner on or before the due date of the second quarter an estimate of the amount of tax payable by the taxpayer and thereafter pay 50% of such amount by the due date of the 2nd quarter of the tax year after making adjustment for the amount (if any) already paid in terms of section 147(4). The balance 50% of the estimate shall be paid after the 2nd quarter in two equal installments payable by the due date of the 3rd and 4th quarter of the tax year.

Imports

[Section 148 & Part II of First Schedule]

The Federal Board of Revenue is currently empowered to specify any goods or class of goods or persons or class of persons importing such goods or class of goods to which tax at import stage may not be collected. It has now been sought to withdraw this authority from the Board.

The Bill seeks to substitute the TABLE of rates for collection of tax at import stage as below:

S. No.	Persons	Rate	
		Filers	Non-filers
1.	(i) Industrial undertaking importing remelttable steel (PCT Heading 72.04) and directly reduced iron for its own use	1% of the import value as increased by customs-duty, sales tax & FED	1.5% of the import value as increased by customs duty, sales tax & FED
	(ii) Persons importing potassic fertilizers in pursuance of ECC's decision No.ECC-155/12/2004 dated the 9th December, 2004		
	(iii) Persons importing urea		
	(iv) Manufacturers covered under Notification No. S.R.O. 1125(I)/2011 dated the 31 st December, 2011 and importing items covered under S.R.O. 1125(I)/2011 dated the 31 st December, 2011		
	(v) Persons importing Gold		
	(vi) Persons importing Cotton		
2.	Persons importing pulses	2% of the import value as increased by customs-duty, sales tax & FED	3% of the import value as increased by customs-duty, sales tax & FED
3.	Commercial importers covered under Notification No. S.R.O. 1125(I)/2011 dated the 31 st December, 2011 and importing items covered under S.R.O. 1125(I)/2011 dated the 31 st December, 2011	3% of the import value as increased by customs-duty, sales tax & FED	4.5% of the import value as increased by customs-duty, sales tax & FED
4.	Ship breakers on import of Ships	4.5%	6.5%
5.	Industrial undertakings not covered under S. Nos. 1 to 4	5.5%	8.0%
6.	Companies not covered under S. Nos. 1 to 5	5.5%	8.0%
7.	Persons not covered under S. Nos. 1 to 6	6.0%	9.0%