Subject: Rate of Service Tax

1. The following is brought to the notice of heads of all ROs/BOS and the official concerned in respect of captioned subject cited above:
   
   (a) New Service Tax Rate (NST) i.e., 14% which has been increased from existing 12.36% (inclusive of Cess) will come into effect only when the Central Government will issue notification after the enactment of the Finance Bill 2015.

   (b) The provision to impose a ‘Swachh Bharat Cess’ (SBC) on all or any taxable services at a rate of 2% of the value of such taxable services will also come into effect only after the Finance Bill 2015 is enacted.

   (c) The applicability of aforesaid ‘New Service Tax Rate’ and Swachh Bharat Cess’ will be applicable from the date of notification by Central Government. This has been endorsed by the Department through letters F.No.334/5/2015-TRU dated 28 Feb 2015.

   (d) In view of the above heads all ROs/ BOS and all concerned officials are requested to charge or pay service tax at the rate of 12.36% (12% + 1% Edu Cess + 2% Senior Edu Cess) and not 16% (14% NST + 2% SBC) till the notification of the same is made by the Central Government.

   This issues with the approval of DDGF

   (Gurpreet Singh)
   Deputy Director (Admn. & Finance)

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