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To

The Pr. Chief Commissioner of Income Tax (CCA), Ahmedabad/Bangafore/Bhopal/Bhubaneswar/Chandiguth/Chennai/Delhi /Guwahati-Hyderabad/Jaipur/Kochi/Kolkata/Kanpur/Lucknew/Nagpur/Mumbai/ Patna/Pun

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Sub: Uploading of Information related to Penny Stock in respect of assessees-reg.

Ref: EFS Instruction No. 53 of Directorate of Systems dated 08.03.2016

Sir / Madam.

Kind attention is invited to the above referred EFS Instruction issued by the System Directorate regarding handling cases of Penny Stocks (suspect Long Term Capital Gains/Short Term Capital Loss etc).

- 2. It is informed that the said instruction is in the context of investigation conducted by Kolkata Investigation Directorate in respect of large number of penny stock companies, whose share prices were artificially raised on the Stock Exchanges in order to book begus claims of Long Term Capital Gains or Short Term Capital Loss by various beneficiaries. Extensive investigation, including search and seizure/survey action on entry providers, riggers, beneficiaries etc. was conducted by the Investigation Directorate in such cases. Based upon outcome of such investigation and analysis of the data, the Systems Directorate has now uploaded details of such information in respect of individual assesses who have made transactions in such penny stocks.
- Vide EFS Instruction under reference a new batton "Penny Stock" has been added on Individual Transaction Screen (ITS) to display information related to penny stock, now enabled on the screen of the Assessing Officers (AOs). Available information regarding the manipulative transactions has been captured in the functionality, including

the investigation report of the Kolkata Investigation Directorate. The functionality also contains a guidance note for the Assessing Officers. Such details are visible to the AOs of those assesses whose particulars have emanated out of the investigation report of Kolkata Investigation Directorate and whose cases have been considered actionable, at this stage. The details are also visible to supervisory officers of such AOs.

- In case of any difficulty in viewing the information on ITS, Shri Vipul Agarwal, JDIT (Sys) 2(1) could be contacted on 9120-2770052 or email at vipul.agarwal@nic.in
- 5. The undersigned is directed to request that necessary directions may kindly be issued to the officers working under your jurisdiction to access this functionality and ensure that information available in the 'Peany Stock' functionality which may be useful for the purpose of cases presently under scrutiny, is examined and considered while finalizing assessments and considering reopening of cases u/s 148 of the IT Act, 1961.
- This issues with the approval of Member (Inv), CBDT.

Yours faithfully,

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