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CBIC & CBDT sign MoU to facilitate smoother bilateral exchange of data

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Central Board of Direct Taxes (the [Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs](#) (CBIC) today, for data exchange between organisations. The MoU was signed by Shri Pramod Chandra Mody, Chairman, CBDT, and SI Kumar, Chairman, CBIC, in the presence of senior officers from both the organizations.

This MoU supersedes the MoU signed between CBDT and the erstwhile Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) in the year 2015. Significant developments have taken place since the signing of earlier MoU including introduction of GST, incorporation of GSTN and change in the nomenclature of Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) to Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC). Circumstances, including advancements in technology, are duly incorporated in the MoU signed today.

This MoU will facilitate the sharing of data and information between CBDT and CBIC on an automatic regular basis. In addition to regular exchange of data, CBDT and CBIC will also exchange with each other on request and spontaneous basis, any information available in their respective databases which may be useful for the other organisation.

The MoU comes into force from the date it was signed and is an ongoing initiative of CBDT and CBIC. Both are already collaborating through various existing mechanisms. A Data Exchange Steering Group has been constituted for the initiative, which will meet periodically to review the data exchange status and take steps to further improve the effectiveness of the data sharing mechanism.

The MoU marks the beginning of a new era of cooperation and synergy between the CBDT and CBIC.

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