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January 27, 2020

Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman
Hon'ble Finance Minister
Govt. of India
New Delhi.

**Sub: Request to allow submission of GST Annual Returns
GSTR-9 and 9C after due date without levying any
penalty/and or fine**

Respected Madam,

Greetings from Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

With reference to the above, we would like to bring to your kind notice that large number of our members have not been able to submit their GSTR-9 and 9C for the year 2017-18 till now. Since, the returns for 2017-18 are pending, the returns for the year 2018-19 are also still due.

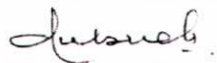
In this regard, we would also like to bring to your notice that a simplified format for return filing was introduced on 10th January, 2020. However, it will take time for the business people to understand the same and put together the required information for final submission. Moreover, due to lots of GST system and internet related issues, most of the traders are not able to upload the above returns.

Madam, while we appreciate the extensions of time limit given in the past, we beg to submit that the difficulties that traders are facing have not reduced.

It is, therefore, our humble appeal that as regards submission of forms GSTR-9 and 9C, all those who are required to submit the same, may kindly be allowed to do so after the expiry of time limit without levying any penalty/and or fine on them.

With regards,

Yours faithfully,



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President

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