## **18.** DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL TAXES, KERALA PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUTHORITY FOR CLARIFICATION U/S.94 OF THE KERALA VALUE ADDED TAX ACT, 2003.

## Members present are:

- 1. V. Murukesh Kumar, Deputy Commissioner (General), O/o.CCT, Tvpm.
- 2. R. Rajasekharan Nair, Deputy Commissioner (Audit & Inspection), O/o.CCT, Tvpm.
- 3. K.M. Althaf, Deputy Commissioner (Intelligence), O/o.D.C.(Int), Typm.

Sub:- KVAT Act, 2003 – Clarification U/s.94 – Rate of tax of equipments used for Ayurvedic medical treatment - Orders issued.

Ref:- Application from M/s Dhroni Ayurvedas, Muvattupuzha dated 29/6/2009

## ORDER No. C3/30017/09/CT dated 4/11/2009

- 1. M/s Dhroni Ayurvedas, Muvattupuzha has filed an application U/s 94 of the KVAT Act 2003 seeking clarification on the rate of tax for certain commodities used in ayurvedic medical treatment.
- 2. The applicant is a dealer registered under the KVAT Act 2003, dealing in ayurvedic treatment equipments, ayurvedic medicines & bronze items. The products are used by individuals or hospitals for ayurvedic treatment purposes. The applicant was filing VAT returns manually till November 2008 classifying the items as taxable @ 12.5% under Entry 103 of SRO.No.82/2006. After introduction of E-Filing, the returns are filed showing the items under Code, considering the specific usage of the items and taxed @ 4%. The applicant informs that the raw materials used for manufacture are wood, hardware items, paints & varnishes which attract tax @ 12.5%. The allocation of input materials to various finished goods is not easily ascertainable.
- 3. The applicant informs that the commodities dealt with and the materials used for manufacturing are as follows:
  - 1. Pathi
  - 2. Dharapathi
  - 3. Stand
  - 4. Dharastand
  - 5. Sirodhara Table
- 4. Applicant has requested to clarify (a) the commodity code and rate of tax applicable for the above said items; (b) input tax claim. The applicant was heard and the contentions raised were examined.
  - 5. Entry 59A of Third Schedule to KVAT Act, 2003 reads:
    - 59A All medical and diagnostic equipments and Hospital instruments, apparatus, appliances, tools and aids used exclusively in medical, surgical, dental, physiotherapy and veterinary sciences and spares and parts thereof xxx
- 6. The commodities Pathi, Dharapathi, Dharastand, Sirodhara Table are seen to be used exclusively for ayurvedic treatment and does not have any other use. Hence the said commodities are taxable at 4% vide Entry 59A of Third Schedule to KVAT Act, 2003.

The issues raised above are clarified accordingly.