GOVERNMENT OF KERALA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL TAXES PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUTHORITY FOR CLARIFICATION U/S. 94 OF KVAT ACT, 2003

Members Present are:-

- 1. V.Murukesh Kumar, Deputy Commissioner (Gen), O/o the CCT, Tvpm
- 2. R.Rajasekharan Nair, Deputy Commissioner (A&I) O/o the CCT, Tvpm
- 3. K.M.Althaf, Deputy Commissioner (Int), O/o the DC(Int) Tvpm

Sub:- KVAT Act 2003- Clarification U/s. 94- Rate of tax of Computer Web-Camera- Orders issued- Reg:

Read:- Application from M/s. Suraaj Computer, Ekm, Dt. 27.04.09.

ORDER No.C3.19251/09/CT Dated.24.08.2009

- M/s. Suraaj Computer, Ernakulam has put in an application U/s. 94 of the KVAT Act, 2003 seeking clarification on the rate of tax of Computer Web Camera.
- 2. The applicant has submitted that PC Web camera is an IT product covered by Entry No. 69 of the Third Schedule and is taxable @ 4 %. It is a part and accessory of computer system—and peripherals and is covered by the Entry No. 69 (22). PC Web Camera cannot be used independently but only by connecting to a computer. PC web camera is totally different from Photographic cameras, Television cameras, Video Cameras and Digital Cameras, which can be used independently without connecting to a computer system. The applicant has also argued that the cameras mentioned in Entry Nos. 21,77 and 94 of SRO 82/2006 are taxable @ 12.5 %. P.C. Web camera is not covered under the above said notification.
- 3. The authorized representative of the applicant was heard and the contentions raised were examined.
- 4. Entry 69(22)(a) of the Third schedule to the KVAT Act 2003 reads "Computer Systems and peripherals" with HSN code 8471.
- 5. As per the Customs Tariff Act, HSN code 8471.60 reads "Input or Out put units, whether or not containing storage units in the same housing". HSN Code 8471.60.90 describes 'Other'.

- 6. P C Web Camera is an input unit to data processing machines like computer, it is a computer peripheral, and cannot be used without a computer. Hence Web camera would fall within the HSN Code 8471.60.90.
- 7. Accordingly the commodity "P C Web Camera' would be taxable at 4 % vide Entry 69 (22) (a) of the Third Schedule to the KVAT Act, 2003, with HSN Code 8471.

The issue raised above is clarified accordingly.

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