

[SNAPSHOT OF NEPAL BUDGET 2077-78]



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The Twelveth Budget of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal was presented by Honorable Finance Minister Dr. Yubraj Khatiwada by way of Finance Bill on Jestha 15, 2077 (May 28, 2019) for the F/Y 2077/78 i.e. 2020/21.

The Direct Tax provisions contained in the Finance Bill shall generally apply to F/Y ending Ashadh 31, 2078 (July 16, 2021) unless specifically stated otherwise. Further, other provisions shall be applicable w.e.f. from Jestha 15, 2077 or Shrawan 01, 2077 as the case may be.



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Remarks: Major Amendments for F/Y 2077/78 have been shown in *Bold*.

A. KEY BUDGET STATISTICS

Statement of Budgeted Income & Expenses

(Amount in NPR. Billion)

Particulars	F/Y 2076/77	
	Amount	%
Revenue & Grants:		
Revenue	889.62	60.33%
Foreign Grants	60.52	4.10%
Foreign Loan	299.5	20.31%
Internal Loan	225.00	15.26%
TOTAL Revenue & Grants	1474.64	100.00%

Expenses:	Amount	%
Recurrent Expenditure	948.94	64.35%
Capital Expenditure	352.91	23.93%
Financing Provision	172.79	11.72%
TOTAL Expenses	1474.64	100.00%

- Expected Economic Growth Rate for F/Y 2077/78: 2.50%
- Inflation Rate Growth Rate for F/Y 2077/78: 6.50%
- Head wise budget allocation has been done for the programs & projects controlled by the Central Government, though the under construction projects covered under the state government and local authority shall be completed by Centre and will be handed over to the concerned authority.

GENERAL TAXATION:

A. Health Risk Tax

• Cigarette/Cigar : Rs 0.5/Piece

• Bidi: Rs 0.25/Piece

• Tobacco/Gutka/Pan Masala: Rs 40/Kg

B. Education Service Charge for study at Foreign

- 2% on foreign exchange amount
- Banks & other Financial Institutions shall have to submit the detail and make payment within 25th of next month.

C. Infrastructure Tax

• Rs 10/Ltr in Import of Petrol/Diesel/Aero Fuel at custom point.

D. Road Construction & Improvement Fee

- Rs 4/Ltr in Petrol
- Rs 2/Ltr on diesel

E. Pollution Control Fee

- Rs 1.5 / Ltr of Petrol & Diesel
- Amount to be deposited within 25th of next month by Importer
- Interest @ 15%, if not deposited on time

F. Telephone Ownership Charge

- Rs 500 per connection (PY Rs. 1000)
- In Case of Prepaid: 2% of sim card & recharge amount.

G. Telecommunication Charge

- 13% to be charged from customer
- But not in case of Inter Connection Charge

H. Casino Royalty

- Rs 4 Crores annually.
- In case gaming by advanced machines & equipment: Rs 1 crore
- Amount to be paid within 6 months from the commencement of the Fiscal Year to Culture, Tourism & Civil Aviation Ministry.
- Fine @ 15% p.a. shall be charged in case of non-deposit of Royalty upto 3 months from due date and additional 30% if unpaid for a further period.

• Incase person pays due royalty upto FY 2075/76, fine on such royalty and 50% of additional fine on such royalty, royalty of 2076/77 and its fine by Chaitra 2077, then balance additional fine upto 2075/76 shall be waived off.

I. Provision Relating Social Security Tax (Section 17 of Finance Act, 2077):

- 1% tax to be deducted as social security tax from natural persons having income from employment upto Rs. 4,00,000.00 in case of individual and upto Rs. 4,50,000.00 in case of couple.
- The amount as per above point is to be collected as T.D.S.
- Such TDS amount is to be deposited at prescribed revenue head.
- Notwithstanding anything mentioned in point no. 1, SST will not be deducted from natural person participating in contributory pension scheme or having pension income.

J. Relief in Fine and Interest (Section 20 of Finance Act, 2077):

- 1. Any person having taxable income but having not paid tax on such income will be waived off from paying interest, fine and penalty if such person applies for PAN and files Income Tax Return (ITR) for FY 2074/75 and 2075/76 and pays income tax as per ITR of such years by Falgun 2077.
- 2. If condition under sub-section (1) is fulfilled, then the requirement of filing ITR, income tax, interest, fine and penalty on such tax pertaining to previous years is also waived off.
- 3. Person failing to fulfill the condition in sub-section (1), shall be liable to pay tax, interest, fine and penalty as per law his taxable income.

K. Relief in Additional Fine, Charges, Interest and Penalty (Section 21 of Finance Act, 2077):

- Registered Natural Person having turnover upto Rs. 50 Lac but not submitting ITR and income tax can get relief from additional charges, interest and penalty by filing ITR for FY 2073/74, 2074/75 and 2075/76 and on payment of income tax as per return with 25% interest on such tax by Falgun end 2077. If done as prescribed, he shall be free from filing ITR for previous years and shall not be liable to pay any income tax, interest or penalty for the same.
- Any Registered Natural Person or Entity having turnover upto Rs. 1 crore but more than Rs. 50 Lac and not submitting ITR and income tax for or before FY 2073/74 can get relief from additional charges, interest and penalty by filing ITR for such years and on payment of income tax as per return with 25% interest on such tax by Falgun end 2077.
- Any person registered in VAT but not submitting Vat Returns upto Asadh 2075 can file the same with Falgun 2077 and shall only be liable to pay the respective VAT and only 50% of the Interest liability on the same. If done as prescribed, he shall not be liable to pay any remaining interest or penalty/additional penalty for the same.

- Person not submitting VAT return upto Ashad 2073 as per time mentioned in subsection (3) will be suo-moto de-registered from VAT.
- Such de-registered person as per sub-section (4) will not be liable for fine and penalties on non-filing of tax return or delay in filing of return.
- Except for taxes and charges as per sub-section (5); all other charges and taxes shall be collected as per normal procedure.

L. Special Relief for Drinking Water, Sanitation and Cleanliness Department/Organisation (Sec 22 of Finance Act, 2077):

Drinking Water, Sanitation and Cleanliness Department, registered under Water Resource Act (Jalshrot) Act, 2049 shall get relief from payment pending amount of income tax, fine and interest upto 2075-76 as assessed by IRD and relief from payment of pending income tax, fine and interest on or before 2076/77; if income is earned as per defined objective.

M. Special Provision on Payable Tax (Section 23 of Finance Act, 2077):

Tax payable amount upto Rs. 50,000/- and interest on such tax amount shall be revoked on the assessment amount upto Ashad 2060 as per IT Act, 2031 and as per other indirect taxes such as Hotel Tax, Entertainment Tax, Contract Tax and Sales Tax that has been replaced by VAT Act, 2052.

N. Special Provision on Charges, Additional Fine and Penalty (Section 24 of Finance Act, 2077):

If an assessee withdraws the case against IRD on assessment dated Ashad 2075 or before as per IT Act 2058, VAT Act 2052 or Excise Act 2058 which is under consideration with administrative review, revenue tribunal or court and deposits income tax, vat or excise as the case may be, and its respective interest as assessed by assessing officer by Falgun 2077; then additional charges, fine and penalty shall be waived off.

O. Special Provisions on tax relief for COVID-19 affected business (Section 25 of Finance Act, 2077):Note: Only applicable on Taxable Income for FY 2076-77

- a. 75% rebate on applicable tax for person submitting return as per Section 4(4) of IT Act, 2058 (D-01 return) having annual turnover upto Nrs. 20lac and income upto Nrs. 2 lac.
- b. 50% rebate on applicable tax for person submitting return as per Section 4(4A) of IT Act, 2058 (D-02 return) having annual turnover more than Nrs. 20lac and upto Nrs. 50 lac.
- c. 25% rebate on applicable tax for person having turnover upto Nrs. 1 cr.
- d. 20% rebate on applicable tax for person engaged in business of Hotel, Travel, Trekking, Public Road Transportation or airways having turnover more than Nrs. 1 cr.

P. Special Provision on Contribution to COVID Fund established by Central Govt.,

Provincial Govt., or Local Bodies (Section 26 of Finance Act, 2077):

Any Person contributing to abovementioned Fund in FY 2076-77 shall get deduction on contribution amount as taxable expense in such year.

Q. Special Provision on Wages distributed to Daily workers not having PAN No. (Section 27 of Finance Act, 2077):

Notwithstanding anything mentioned in Section 21 (2) (3!) of IT Act, 2058, daily wages distributed to casual workers upto Rs. 3000/- per worker for FY 2076-77 shall be treated as taxable expenses even if such workers does not have PAN no.

R. Special Provision on Invoices not having PAN No. (Section 28 of Finance Act 2077): Notwithstanding anything mentioned in Section 21 (2) (3@) of IT Act, 2058, any purchases of agriculture goods, forest goods, husbandry related goods or other household related goods from Natural Person upto Nrs. 2000/- by invoices not having PAN No. shall be allowed as taxable expenses for FY 2076-77.

S. Special Provision regarding contribution by Couple in Social Security Fund (Section 29 of Finance Act, 2077):

Notwithstanding anything mentioned in Schedule 1 (1) (2) (`) of Income Tax Act, 2058, couple making an election under Section 50 need not pay tax @ 1% as mentioned in Sub-Section 2 (s) of Schedule 1 for income in FY 2076-77.

T. Special Provision regarding transfer of amount to Social Security Fund (Section 30 of Finance Act, 2077):

TDS as deductible under Sec 88 of Income Tax Act, 2058 on Retirement Benefit shall not be deducted if anyone transfers the amount from existing Retirement fund to Social Security Fund as created by SSF Act, 2074 within Chaitra 2077.

U. Special Provision regarding additional 1/3 Depreciation on Depreciable Assets (Section 31 of Finance Act, 2077):

Notwithstanding anything mentioned in Schedule 2, Sec 3 (2) of IT Act, 2058, any Entity involved in manufacturing business as a special industry as per sec 11 of IT Act, 2058 or entity involved in construction of roads, bridge, tunnel, ropeway, railway or overhead bridge shall be entitled to additional 1/3 Depreciation on depreciable assets as classified under Block A, B, C & D in FY: 2076-77.

V. Interim Administration regarding Registration Charges of Land and Buildings (Section 32 of Finance Act, 2077):

Central Government, on behalf of Local bodies shall collect land and building registration charges and deposit it into fund as prescribed by Inter-government finance management act, 2074 until the local infrastructure to collect such charges is ready.

B: DIRECT TAXATION:

Rate of Taxation:

Tax Rate for Natural Persons:

Particulars	Tax Rate
Resident - Remuneration Income:	
-Couple (including Widow & Widower having Dependents):	
Up to Rs. 450,000 (in form of Social Security Tax)	1%
On Next Rs. 100,000	10%
On Next Rs. 200,000	20%
On Balance up to Rs. 2,000,000	30%
Above Rs. 2,000,000 (Including surcharge of 20% on tax rate of 30%)	36%
-Individual:	
Up to Rs. 400,000 (in form of Social Security Tax)	1%
On Next Rs. 100,000	10%
On Next Rs. 200,000	20%
On Balance up to Rs. 2,000,000	30%
Above Rs. 2,000,000 (Including surcharge of 20% on tax rate of 30%)	36%
Resident Individual Woman, having only Remuneration Income, shall be entitled to a Rebate of 10% on Total Tax calculated as above.	

Particulars	Tax Rate
Resident - Proprietorship Firm:	
-Couple (including Widow & Widower having Dependents):	
Up to Rs. 450,000	Nil
On Next Rs. 100,000	10%
On Next Rs. 200,000	20%
On Balance up to Rs. 2,000,000	30%
Above Rs. 2,000,000 (Including surcharge of 20% on tax rate of 30%)	36%
-Individual:	
Up to Rs. 400,000	Nil
On Next Rs. 100,000	10%
On Next Rs. 200,000	20%
On Balance up to Rs. 2,000,000	30%
Above Rs. 2,000,000 (Including surcharge of 20% on tax rate of 30%)	36%

Particulars	Tax Rate
Resident Individuals-Presumptive Tax:	
Natural Person having only Business Income with Annual Turnover up	
to Rs. 20 Lacs and Annual Income up to Rs. 2 Lacs, may choose to pay	
Tax as below (However, such person cannot claim medical tax credit or	
advance tax for TDS deposited):	
- In the Metropolitan or Sub Metropolitan Cities	Rs. 7,500
- In the Municipalities	Rs. 4,000
- In the rest of Nepal	Rs. 2,500
75% rebate on applicable tax for FY 2076-77	
Owner of Public Vehicles (Per Vehicle Per Annum):	
A. Car / Jeep / Van / Micro Bus	
A.1 Upto 1300CC	Rs. 4,000
A.2 1301 to 2000CC	Rs. 4,500
A.3 2001 to 2900CC	Rs. 5,000
A.4 2901 to 4000CC	Rs. 6,000
A.5 4001CC and above	Rs. 7,000
B. Mini Truck, Mini Bus, Water Tanker	Rs. 6,000
C. Mini Tipper	Rs. 7,000
D. Truck, Bus	Rs. 8,000
E. Dozer, Excavator, Loader, Roller, Crane and other like machinery	
equipment	Rs. 12,000
F. Oil Tanker, Gas Bullet, Tipper	Rs. 12,000
G. Tractor	Rs. 2,000
H. Power Triller	Rs. 1,500
3 Wheeler / Auto Rickshaw / Tempo	Rs. 2,000
Gain from Disposal of Non Business Chargeable Assets:	
[After taking into consideration exemption limit (i.e. Rs. 400,000 for	
individual and Rs. 450,000 for couples]:	
- From Disposal of Land & Building on any amount (owned for 5 Years or	
more)	2.50 %
- From Disposal of Land & Building on any amount, (owned for less than	
5 Years)	5 %
- From Disposal of Listed Securities (Gain to be	
calculated Weighted Average basis	5 %
- From Disposal of Other Non-Business Chargeable Assets (including Non	10 %
Listed Securities)	
Non Resident Individuals: on any Amount	25%

Particulars	Tax Rate
Resident Individuals- Turnover Tax: Applicable for	
Turnover upto 50 Lakhs.	
Person selling Cigarette, Gas etc., by adding commission	0.25 % of the turnover
or profit upto 3%	or Rs. 7,500 whichever is higher
Person engaged on transaction other than above	0.75 % of the turnover or Rs. 7,500 whichever is higher
Person engaged in Service Sector business	2.00 % of the turnover or Rs.7,500 whichever is higher
Tax as above should be paid in 2 installments: 1st: Within Poush 20 2nd & Final: Within Ashad 20 based on actual transaction. 50% rebate on applicable tax for FY 2076-77.	

Note:

Husband and Wife, having separate income source, are given option either to get assessed separately as individual or jointly as couple.

Couple making an election under Section 50 of IT Act, 2058 need not pay tax @ 1% in form of Social Security Tax for FY 2075-76.

Further Deductions / Facilities for Resident Natural Persons:

- Resident Disabled/Incapacitated person shall get an additional 50% of Exemption Limit (i.e. 50% of Rs. 450,000 in case of Couple & 50% of Rs. 400,000 in case of Individual).
- # the Taxable Income to the extent of Rs. 20,000 or Premium Amount, whichever is lower.
- Annual Remote Area Allowance up to Rs. 50,000 (depending upon Remote Area Category) is exempted from tax.
- Employees working in Nepalese Diplomatic Mission abroad are allowed 75% exemption on Foreign Allowances.
- Contribution in Approved Retirement Fund is deductible to the limit of 1/3rd of Assessable Income or Rs. 300,000 whichever is lower.
 - Individual having Pension Income, contributing on contribution based pension
- **fund and social security fund** shall not be liable to pay 1% SST.
 - Compensation received in respect of death of natural person is not taxable [Sec 31 (2)].

In case any person contributes any amount to Prime Minister Relief Fund or National Reconstruction Fund established by Government of Nepal during any Income Year, the amount can be deducted while calculating taxable income of the person during the Income Year.

Tax Credit for Resident Natural Persons:

In case of Approved Medical Expenses, Medical Tax Credit for Rs.750 or 15% of Approved Medical Expenses or Actual Approved Medical Expenses incurred whichever is lower is available to resident natural persons as deduction from tax liabilities. Unutilized Expenses, if any, can be carried forward to Next Financial Year.

Where Foreign Income is included in Taxable Income of a Resident Natural Person, Foreign Tax paid in Foreign Country can be (at the option of the Tax Payer): i. Deducted as Expense or ii. Tax Liability in Nepal be reduced by such tax paid up to the Average Rate of Tax applicable in Nepal.

> Tax Rates for Entities:

Particulars	Tax Rate
Bank, Finance Company, General Insurance Company, Telecom and Internet	
Service Providers, Money Transfer agent, Capital Market organizations, Stock	
Exchange, Stock and Commodity Brokers, Merchant banking company,	30%
Commodity Future Market, Petroleum Entities, Cigarette, Tobacco, Beer and	
Alcohol Company	
Co-operative Institution registered under Co-operative Act, 2074 (other than	
co-operatives dealing in Exempted Transaction) except as mentioned below:	
Co-Operative running in Municipality area	5%
Co-Operative running in Sub-Metropolitan area	7%
Co-Operative running in Metropolitan area	10%
Private Ltd. Co. / Limited Co. / Partnership Firm not specifically mentioned above	25%
Non-resident person Providing Shipping, Air Transport or	-0/
Telecommunications Services in Nepal	5%
Repatriation of income of a Foreign Permanent Establishment of a Non-	5%
Resident situated in Nepal.	J /0
Non Resident Airline Services having office in and business in Nepal but not	2%
operating flights to and within Nepal	2/0
Agriculture Income other than those derived by any firm, partnership or	Nil
company.	1 111

Note: Trust of Dead or Incapacitated Person shall be taxed as natural Person

Tax Concessions & Rebate (Sec 11):

Particulars	Tax Rate
Agriculture Income other than from firm, company, partnership	
or institution and other than as mentioned in Sec 12 (घ & ड) of	100% Exempt
Land Related Act, 2021 (Sec 11(1))	
Income of Specified operation of Co-operative Society	• 100% Exempt
established in Remote Area under Co-operative Act, 2074 (Sec	Dividend Tax Also Exempt
11(2))	Dividend Tax Auso Exempt
Annual interest up to Rs. 25,000 in the amount deposited to the	
Micro Credit Institutions, Rural Development Banks, Postal	100% Exempt
Saving Bank, and Co-operatives as mentioned in Sec 11(2) in	100 % Exempt
the rural area (Sec 11 (2 क))	
Profit on Income from Special Industry - For Natural Person	20% where Tax Rate is 30%
(Sec 11(2 ख)(क))	20,0 Where 12,0 14,00
Profit on Income from Special Industry – For Entities (Sec 11(2 ৰ)(ৰ))	20% Rebate on Applicable Tax
Special Industries & I.T. Industries providing direct	
employment to 100 or more Nepalese Nationals throughout the	90% of Applicable Tax
year (Sec 11(3)(क))	
Special Industries & I.T. Industries providing direct	
employment to more than 300 and upto 500 Nepalese Nationals	80% of Applicable Tax
throughout the year (Sec 11(3)(क))	
Special Industries & I.T. Industries providing direct	
employment to more than 500 and upto 1000 Nepalese	75% of Applicable Tax
Nationals throughout the year (Sec 11(3)(ক))	
Special Industries & I.T. Industries providing direct	
employment to more than 1000 Nepalese Nationals throughout	70% of Applicable Tax
the year (Sec $11(3)(\overline{a})$)	
Special Industries & I.T. Industries providing direct	
employment to 100 Nepalese nationals of which, 33% are	10% additional discount on the applicable
women, dalits (the downtrodden) or the handicapped,	tax including above mentioned benefit
throughout the year (Sec $11(3)(\overline{a})$)	
Special Industries operating in Highly Undeveloped Area. (Sec	10% of Applicable Tax for 10 Yrs from the
11(3)(ख))	year of operation or production
Special Industries operating in Undeveloped Area (Sec 11(3)(20% of Applicable Tax for 10 Yrs from the
평))	year of operation or production
Special Industries operating in Under-Developed Area (Sec	30% of Applicable Tax for 10 Yrs from the
11(3)(평))	year of operation or production
Special Industries and Tourism Industries (except Casino)	
established with a capital investment of Rs. 200 crores or more	A Rebate of 100% for first 5 Years & 50 %
and providing direct employment to 300 or more persons	for next 3 Years on Applicable Tax
throughout the year (Sec $11(3)(\tau)$)	

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Special Industries, already in operation, which enhances 25% of	A Rebate of 100% for first 5 Years & 50 S	
its installed capacity and increases its capital investment to Rs.	for next 3 Years on Applicable Tax on	
100 crores or more and providing direct employment to 500 or	income from such enhanced capacity	
more persons throughout the year (Sec 11(3)($\overline{\tau}$))		
Industries established in Special Economic Zone (SEZ) of	A Rebate of 100% for 10 Years & 50 %	
Himalayan Districts and other prescribed Hilly District (Sec 11(3	thereafter on Applicable Tax	
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Industries established in Special Economic Zone (SEZ) of Other	A Rebate of 100% for 5 Years & 50 %	
Areas (Sec 11(3 ক)(অ))	thereafter on Applicable Tax	
Dividend distributed by Industries established in Special	A Rebate of 100% for first 5 Years & 50%	
Economic Zone (SEZ) (Sec 11(3 क)(π))	for next 3 Years on Dividend Tax	
Income from Foreign Technology, Management Fee and		
Royalty earned by Foreign Investors from industries	A Rebate of 50% on Applicable Tax	
established in Special Economic Zone (SEZ) (Sec 11(3 क)(3))		
Person engaged in Mining Research & Extraction of	A Rebate of 100% for first 7 Years &	
Petroleum Products, Energy and Natural Gas, if	50 % for next 3 Years on Applicable	
commercially starts the transaction within Chaitra End 2080	Tax	
(Sec 11(3 ख))		
Industry related to Software Development, Data		
Processing, Cyber Cafe, Digital Mapping established at		
prescribed Information Technology park, and	A Rebate of 50% on Applicable Tax	
Technological Park related to Zoology, Geology and		
Biotech (Sec 11(3 π))		
Entity licensed to generate, transmit and distribute		
electricity, if commercially starts generation, generation &		
distribution, distribution of hydropower by end of Chaitra		
2080 The facility is available also for Solar, Bio-gas and Wind	A Rebate of 100% for first 10 Years & 50	
Energy	% for next 5 Years on Applicable Tax	
[However, entities already having started commercial		
production of electricity prior to introduction of the above		
provision shall be eligible for facility as prevalent at the time		
of obtaining license.] (Sec 11(3ঘ))		
Profit on Export Income – For Natural Person (Sec 11 (3 ন)(ক))	15% where Tax Rate is 20/30%	
Profit on Export Income – For Entities (Sec 11 (3 র)(ছা))	20% Rebate on Applicable Tax	
Profit on Export Income from Manufacturing Industry - For		
Natural Person (Sec 11 (3 न)(ग))	Additional 25% Rebate	
Profit on Export Income from Manufacturing Industry - For	A 11:0: 1000/ D 1 ·	
Entity (Sec 11 (3 ज)(ग))	Additional 25% Rebate	
Entity Operating Tram or Trolley Bus (Sec 11 (3 च)(क))	40% Rebate on Applicable Tax	
Entity engaged in Construction and Operation of Ropeway,		
Cable Car, Sky Bridge (Sec 11 (3 च)(ख))	40% Rebate on Applicable Tax	
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Entity engaged in Construction and Operation of Road,	
Bridge, Tunnel, Under Pass, Railways, Airports (Sec 11 (3 च)(50% Rebate on Applicable Tax
(可))	
Entity wholly engaged in the (BOOT) projects conducted so as	
to build public infrastructure, own, operate and transfer it	200/ D 1 / A 1: 11 E
to the Nepal Government & in power generation,	20% Rebate on Applicable Tax
transmission, or distribution (Sec 11 (3 य))	
Listed entity engaged in Manufacturing, Tourism, Hydropower generation, distribution & transmission and specified Industry established in special economic Zone u/s 11 (3ग) (Sec 11 (3 छ))	15% Rebate on Applicable Tax
Industries manufacturing Brandy, Wine, Cider from fruits in Very Undeveloped Area and Undeveloped Area (Sec 11 (3অ))	40% and 25% Rebate on Applicable Tax for 10 Years from Operation Date
Royalty Income from the Export of Intellectual Property (Sec 11 (3भ्ह))	25% Rebate on Applicable Tax
Income from Sale of Intellectual Property (Sec 11 (3ল))	50% Rebate on Applicable Tax
Tourism Related Industry or Airline Company operating	A Rebate of 100% for first 5 Years & 50 %
International Flights with capital investment of Rs. 200 Crore or more (Sec 11 (3 z))	for next 3 Years on Applicable Tax on
Crore of more (occ 11 (o c))	income from such enhanced capacity
Capitalization of Reserve and Surplus by a Special Industry,	1
Agro Based Industry, or Industry related to Tourism by issuing Bonus Shares (Sec 11 (37))	100% Tax exemption on Dividend Distribution Tax
Conversion of existing pvt ltd. Company with minimum paid	Tax Rebate of 10% on applicable tax for
up capital of Rs. 50 crore into public company [However, companies mentioned in Sec 12 of Companies Act, 2063 are not eligible for this benefit] (Sec 11 (38))	3 yrs from the date of such conversion
Domestic Tea Production and Processing industry, dairy	Tax rebate of 50% on applicable tax rate
industry engaged in milk products and garment industry (Sec 11 (39))	
Health Center Run by Community Centers (Sec 11 (3 ण))	20% Tax Rebate on applicate tax rate
For Micro Scale Industries (As defined in Industrial Enterprises Act, 2073, Section 15 (1)(Ka)) (Sec 11 (3 त))	• 100% tax rebate for 7 years from the date of start of business
	• Additional 3 years tax rebate of 100% incase run by female
Special Industries established in Industrial Corridors (Sec	• 25% rebate on applicable tax for 5
11 (3 द)	years from the date of production.

Note:

- In case a person is eligible for above tax concession / rebate under more than one category; it shall have the option to choose only one type of tax concession / rebate except as per Sec 11 (2 v).
- Rs 1 Million or 10 % of Assessable Income shall be allowed as expenses if incurred for preservation of national religious and cultural heritage sites in Nepal and development of sports infrastructure, with prior approval from the Inland Revenue Department.

- Income Tax on Drinking water, sanitation and cleanliness department/organization registered under Water Resource Act, 2049 (Jalshrot) on the income upto the extent of its objectives.
- Taxes paid to provincial government and local bodies can be claimed as expenses.
- Payment of Salary & Wages to employees/workers not registered in Pan will be treated as inadmissible expenses w.e.f. FY: 2076-77 (Sec 21(1)(31) except for daily casual workers upto Rs. 3000.00 (not to permanent staffs).
- Expenses booked based on invoices of Non-Pan registered parties and purchases of agriculture goods, forest goods, husbandry related goods or other household related goods from Natural Person upto Nrs. 2,000.00 will be treated as admissible expenses w.e.f. FY: 2076-77. (Sec 21(1)(32)
- Compulsory Bio-metric registration for all registered person in concerned offices within stipulated time. (Sec 78)
- Liability of payment of all kind of taxes shall be of the actual beneficiary if the business is not registered in the name of beneficiary. (Sec 110 π)

TDS (Tax Deduction at Source):

Payments that attract TDS: TDS on following payments needs to be deducted at below given rates:

Particulars	TDS Rate
Remuneration (Sec.87)	Normal Rate of Individual (deductible on Equal Monthly Basis)
Investment Returns & Service Fees (Sec.88):	
-Natural Resource Payment	15%
-Rent to Individuals	10% *
-Rent to VAT registered Vehicle Service provider	1.50%
-Rent to Others	10%
-Royalty	15%
-Gain from Investment (Life) Insurance	5% *
-Gains from Unapproved Retirement Fund	5% *

Service Fees:	
- Paid to Service Oriented Resident registered under VAT	1.50%
- Paid to Resident Entity doing VAT Exempted Transaction.	1.50%
- Paid to Others	15%
-Meeting Allowances (More than Rs. 20,000 shall treated as AIT)	15% *
-Commission	15%
-Commission paid by Resident Companies to Non Residents	5%
-Bonus on Sales	15%
-Aircraft Lease Payment	10%
-Lump Sum Retirement Payment from Approved Fund & Nepal	
Government under Sec 65(1 ख) [in excess of 50% of payment to an	5% *
individual or Rs.500,000 whichever is higher)	15% *
Teaching on Period Basis	
Dividends:	
-Distributed by Resident Companies	5% *
-Distributed by Partnership Firms	5% *
-Distributed by Resident Entity (other than Companies & Partnership Firms)	-
-Gain Payment by Mutual Fund to Individuals	5%*
-Distributed to Mutual Fund	-
Interest:	
-On Deposits / Debentures from Resident Bank, Finance Companies or listed companies and on Govt. Bonds to Individuals not related to business.	5% *
-To Mutual Fund	-
-To Others (not stated above)	15%
Contract # Payments above Rs. 50,000	1.50%

Particulars	TDS Rate
Contract # Payments to Non- Residents:	
-Contracts related to Air Craft Repair* (Now Deleted)	5%
- Contracts or agreements	5%
-General Insurance Premium paid to Non-Resident Co.*	1.50%
-General Insurance Premium paid to Resident Co.	-
-Payment to non-resident person under a contract*	15%*
Others	
Wind Fall Gain (Prizes, lotteries, or any other casual income either	
in cash or in kind). [However, there shall be no Windfall Gain Tax	25%*
for amount up to Rs. 5 Lacs prize received on National or	
International Level on account of contribution to Literature, Art,	
Games, Journalism, Science, Technology and Public	
Administration)	
Gain from Commodities Future Market Transactions	10%
Gain from Disposal of Listed Securities (to be deducted by Nepal	
Stock Exchange)	
-To Resident Individuals	7.5%
-To Other Resident entities except natural persons (not applicable to Resident entity established under prevalent laws for dealing in purchase/sale of securities)	10%
-To Others	25%
Gain from Disposal of Non- Listed Securities (to be deducted by	

respective companies) [Other than Gain on Disposal by Mutual	
Fund] (Approval of such disposal will be allowed by OCR only if	
the proof of payment of such tax is shown to the office)	
-To Resident Individuals	10%
-To Others (not applicable to Resident entity established under prevalent laws for dealing in purchase/sale of securities)	15%
-To Others	25%
Capital Gain from Disposal of Land and Building in case of Natural (to be deducted by respective Malpot Office at the time of Registration	
- Owned for a period below 5 Years. (Value more than or equal to Rs 10 Lacs)	5%
- Owned for 5 Years or more. (Value more than or equal to Rs 10 Lacs)	2.5%
- Other Cases: Disposal of Land & Building (to be deducted by respective Malpot Office at the time of Registration on Transaction value)	1.50%
Payment against use of Satellite, Bandwidth, Optical Fiber, Telecom related equipment or electric transmission line	10%
Payment of Transportation Charges to transport service providers (<i>Final Tax for payment to Natural Persons</i>)	2.5%
Payment of Transportation Charges to transport service providers (In case registered in VAT)	1.5%
On Payment of more than 50 Lacs to consumer committee (Upabhokta Samiti) for any work	1.5%
On Import of goods/ Items mentioned in Part 1 such as Buffalo, Goat, Sheep etc; Part 3 such as Fishery items; Part 6 such as Fresh Flowers; Part 7 such as Fresh Vegetables, Potato, Onions and Part 8 such as Fresh Fruits of customs tariff	5% of declared rate at respective custom point
On Import of goods/ Items mentioned in Part 2 such as Meat, etc; Part 4 such as Milk Products, Egg, Honey; Part 10 such as Kodo, Phapar, Junelo, Rice, Kanika; Part 11 such as Maida, Wheat Flour; Part 12 such as Herbs (Jadibuti), Sugarcane; and Part 14 such as Vegetable Products of customs tariff	2.5% of declared rate at respective custom point
On Interest Payment on Loan taken by resident banks and financial institutions for investment in areas notified by NRB	10%

^{*} Denotes Final Tax Payment.

[#] Notes:

- ➤ Rs. 50,000 referred to in Sec. 89 shall be determined by aggregating a payment under a contract with any other payment made by the person or an associate of the person during the previous 10 days under the same contract to the same payee or an associate of the payee.
- ➤ Contract has been defined as agreement entered into for supply of goods or labour or construction/erection/establishment of tangible assets or structure or any work prescribed as contract by the Inland Revenue Department.
- ➤ Payment for Services to VAT Registered Party shall attract TDS @ 1.50 % for VAT Registered Party & 15% for Non VAT Registered Party.
- ➤ Banks and financial institutions to collect 15% TDS on exchange rate facilities on examination fees of students. (Sec 95 क (6 क))

Payments that do not attract TDS:

- Payment of remuneration to the writer of the articles published in Newspaper
 Magazines.
- Payment of remuneration for preparation of question paper or checking of answer sheet.
- ➤ Interregional interchange charges paid to a bank issuing Credit Cards.
- Payment by individual other than payment in course of business.
- Payment of Interest / Dividend to Mutual Fund.
- ➤ Payment of interest to a resident bank or other resident financial institution.
- Payments to Tax-exempted entities.
- ➤ General Insurance Premium paid to Resident Companies.
- ➤ Payment of Dividend by entities other than Company and Partnership Firm.
- ➤ Payment of Annual interest up to *Rs.* **25,000** in the amount deposited to the Micro Credit Institutions, Rural Development Banks, Postal Saving Bank, and Co-operatives in the rural area.
- ➤ On payment for purchase of goods and services through card, e-money (wallet), mobile banking

TDS Deposit & TDS Return Submission:

- > TDS amount should be deposited within 25 Days from the Nepalese Month End in which such TDS is deducted. For non-deposit of TDS amount, Interest @ 15% of TDS amount per annum shall be levied.
- ➤ TDS Return should be submitted within 25 Days from the Nepalese Month End in which such TDS is deducted. *For non-submission of TDS Return, Fee* @ 2.50% of TDS amount per annum shall be levied. (Sec 117(3))

Advance Income Tax:

➤ Income Tax for F/Y should be paid in 3 installments as follows:

Instalment	Time Period	Amount
First	Up to Mid-January (Poush end)	40%
Second	Up to Mid- April (Chaitra end)	70%
Third	Up to Mid-July (Ashadh end)	100%

- ➤ Where an instalment of tax paid by a person is less than 90% of Tax Payable, interest shall be levied @ 15% for each month and part of month from the date of first installment on the amount of installment payable.
- ➤ The presumptive tax-payers need not require paying any advance tax as above.
- ➤ Further if the Tax Amount for the F/Y is less than Rs. 7,500.00, installment is not required to be paid.
- For failure to pay Tax; Interest at 15% per annum shall be levied for the period of failure to pay tax, considering part of a month as a complete month.

Filing Annual Income Tax Returns

- Annual Income Tax Return should be filed within 3 months from the end of an Income Year i.e. Ashwin end (i.e. Mid October). However, a taxpayer may have the due date extended [Maximum Allowed extension: a period of 3 months i.e. up to Poush end (Mid January)] upon filing an application with the respective IRO with bona-fide reasons for such extension. The decision for extension (whether or not to grant extension & period for which to grant extension) rests exclusively with the IRO.
- ➤ Individual assesse having income more than Rs. 40 Lakhs in a income year is liable to file Income Tax Return as per Sec 96. (Sec 97(2))
- ➤ Revised return can be filed within 30 days from the date of filing of original return as per procedure specified by IRD. (Sec 96(6))

General Rate of Interest levied by IRD:

➤ General Rate of Interest levied by the IRD to the assesse continues to be 15%.

Deduction for General Insurance Business:

➤ Following Expenses continues to be allowable as deductible expenses for General Insurance Business:

- i. 50 % of Net Insurance Premium provided for Unexpired Risk &
- ii. 115 % of outstanding claim at year end as per Insurance Act/Rules.
- ➤ However, amount deducted as expenses above in a year should be included in the Income of next year for calculating such business income or loss for next year.

Set Off/Carry Forward of Loss:

- ➤ Loss from Business of a person in a year can be set off against any other Business Income & Investment Income of that year.
- Loss from Business can be carried forward up to 7 years for set off against Business Income and Investment Income.
- ➤ Loss from Investment of a person in a year can be set off against any other Investment Income of that year.
- ➤ Loss from Investment Income can be carried forward up to 7 years for set off against Investment Income.
- ➤ Carry Forward of Loss can be made up to 12 years in case of Projects building, operating & transferring public infrastructure to the Nepal Government, Projects building Electricity Production House, generating & transmitting electricity and entities dealing in petroleum products under Nepal Petroleum Act, 2040.
- ➤ Loss incurred in business or investment where assesses enjoys full tax exemption cannot be carried forward.

Penalty for Non-Filing of Income Tax Return on Time:

- ➤ Non-Filing of Estimated Income Tax Return Income u/s 95 within due date shall attract penalty of Rs. 5,000.00 or 0.01% of the Taxable Income whichever is higher per Return. (Sec 117)
- ➤ Non-Filing of Income Tax Return Income u/s 96 within due date shall attract penalty of @ 0.10% of Annual Turnover (including all incomes) or Rs. 100 per month whichever is higher. (Sec 117)

Administrative Review

- Provision has been to file an application in the department for the administrative review in the cases related to Income Tax/VAT by depositing 1/4th of disputed tax amount and 100% of undisputed tax amount (Sec 115(6))
- Applicant can apply to Revenue Tribunal if IRD doesn't give information of the decision within 60 days
- Applicant has to submit the copy of application to Revenue Tribunal to IRD within 15 days of filing such application

Sundries:

Sec 127 - If a person knowingly Helps, Advice or Influences for Abetment/ Crime under this act or certifies false financial statements or false tax audit report or provide false consultancy, such person is liable for half of the punishment which would be provided to default assesse under this Act.

However, if such person is government employee, then he shall be liable for equal punishment given to the assesse.

- Unless otherwise specified in this act, a person is liable to pay fine and penalty from Rs 5,000 to Rs 25,000 for failing to adhere provisions under this act or rules under this act as per Section 119 Ka.
- ➤ Compensation received by a resident natural person on account of physical injuries due to personal accident shall not be included in his income; likewise, Medical Expenses incurred in the treatment for such accident cannot be claimed for Tax Adjustment.
- Section 97 (1) (e): No need to file Income Tax Return to natural persons having income only from sale of non-business chargeable assets subject to sec 97(2) or unless specified by IRD.
- Section 110Kha: Person engaged in JV shall be jointly and severally liable to pay Income Tax

Payments above Rs. 50,000:

- ➤ Payment above Rs. 50,000 through Account Payee Cheque (instead of Bearer Cheque) has been made mandatory for eligibility of deduction of expenses
- > Further elaboration in this regard:

A person having annual turnover for an income-year shall not be allowed a deduction for a Cash Payment in excess of Rs 50,000 incurred *other than in the following conditions* by the person during the year:

- Payment is made to Nepal Government, a constitutional body, a corporation owned by Nepal Government, or a bank or financial institution;
- Payment is made to a farmer or a producer producing primary agricultural products even in the case where the product is primarily processed by the farmer himself;
- Payment is a retirement contribution or retirement payment;
- Payment is made in an area where banking services are not available;
- Payment is must necessarily be made in cash or on a day when banking services are closed; or
- Payment is made into a bank account of the payee.

Cash Payment means a payment other than made through a bank or financial institution by way of letter of credit, Account Payee Cheque, Draft, Money Order, Telegraphic Transfer, Money Transfer (Hundi), and any other form of transfer made between two banks or financial institutions.

Tax Payment in Installment:

- ➤ Before an assessee is sued on account of non-payment of income tax; if the assessee requests in writing for payment in installment; the tax officer may permit payment in installment over a reasonable period of time.
- ➤ In case of non-payment of income tax within extended time as stipulated above; additional interest @ 5% per annum shall be levied on the remainder tax amount.

Special Provisions related to Merger of Banks & Financial Institutions and between Insurance Companies (Sec. $47~\mathrm{s}$)

- Change in Control Provision of Sec. 57 shall not apply.
- Loss till the date of Merger can be carried forward and set off in pro-rata basis in next 7 years post-merger (However, in case of demerger later on, Tax on such Set Off amount has to be repaid).
- 50% Reduction in applicable tax rate to employees for lump sum payment (other than Retirement Fund Payments & Payments mentioned in the Employees' Service Contract in case of group retirement of employees due to merger.
- No Capital Gain Tax shall be levied on disposal of shares by shareholders of merged entity till 2 years from the date of merger.
- No tax on dividend till two years which is paid to shareholders of the time of merger.
- Notification to IRD should be given within *Ashadh end*, 2078 and merger should be done within *Ashadh end*, 2079 for the purpose of this section.
- Entities who have been merged as per this provision, after effectuation of this provision, but not utilized facilities under this provision, shall be able to utilize as per this provision.

Loan Loss Provision

- 5% of Realizable Loan kept aside in Risk Bearing Fund and 5% of the provisions made for Non Banking Assets, as per the Guidelines of Nepal Rastra Bank, shall be allowed as deduction for Income Tax purpose for person carrying on Banking Business.
- Loan Loss Provision up to 5% of Realizable Loan kept aside in Risk Bearing Fund, shall be allowed as deduction for Income Tax purpose for Co-operative Entities.

Additional Deductions

- Manufacturing Industries may deduct 50% of capital amount for Power Generating Assets in the year of acquisition as Additional Depreciation. (Sch-2, Sec. 3(3))
- 2, Sec. 3(3))

 Capital Expenditure incurred for purchasing Fiscal Printer and Cash Machine can be claimed as depreciation in the year of purchase.

C. Value Added Tax

(VAT): Rate of VAT:

➤ Rate of VAT continues to be 13%.

Threshold for Mandatory VAT Registration:

- ➤ Compulsory VAT registration for a person importing taxable items exceeding the value of Rs 10,000 at a time for commercial purpose.
- Turnover in excess of **50 Lacs** (dealing in goods) during preceding last 12 months.
- > Turnover in excess of **20 Lacs** (dealing in Services) during preceding last 12 months.

Threshold for Mandatory VAT De-Registration: Section 11 (1) 5

- ➤ Incase taxable transaction of person is less than Rs.50 lakhs of trading and less than Rs.20 lakhs in trading and service or service business, tax officer has to de-register the VAT of such persons.
- ➤ Section 11 (2): Notwithstanding anything mentioned in subsection (1) (5), a person registered as per section 9 and desirous to remain registered can apply as per specified format along with transaction details of last 12 months.
- > Section 11 (6): Any other procedure relating to de-registration not mentioned in this section will be as per specified.

Mandatory VAT Registration for Operation of Stipulated Business / Stipulated Goods at Stipulated Area:

- ➤ Bricks Manufacturer, Liquor, Wine, Health Club, Discotheque, Massage Therapy, Motor Parts, Electronic Software, Clearing Agent, Toy Business, Scrap Business, Trekking, Rafting, Ultra-Light Flight, Paragliding, Tourism Transportation, Crusher, Slate and Stone Industries has to get registered under VAT. (Sec 10 s)
- ➤ Hardware, Sanitary Fittings, Furniture, Fixtures, Furnishing, Automobiles, Motor Parts, Electronics, Marbles, Educational & Legal Consultancy, Accounting & Auditing Services, Catering Service, Party Palace Business, Parking Service, Mechanically operated Dry Cleaning Service and Restaurant with Bar, Color Lab, Boutique, Tailoring Business having Suiting / Shirting Materials, Ice cream Industry and Supply of Uniforms to Educational Institute/Health Institute/Other entity operating in Metropolitan, Sub-metropolitan & Municipality Areas and other areas specified by Inland Revenue Department has to get registered within under VAT. (Sec 10 v)
- ➤ Compulsory Bio-metric registration for all registered person in concerned offices within end of Asadh 2077. (Sec 10 u read with Rule 7 v)

VAT Refund:

Addition of section 25(1(**1)) VAT Refund in case of goods & services purchased by United Nations, Member Organizations of UN or Diplomatic Agencies for their objectives.

Addition of section 25(11): Refund & Set Off of VAT for Contractors/Suppliers

- 1. Amount deposited by Government Bodies or wholly/partially owned government organizations on behalf of Contractors/suppliers against goods or services provided by the Contractors/suppliers as per Public Procurement while making payment to them, can be set off by the contractors/suppliers from the payable tax amount.
- **2.** Excess amount deposited even after set off as per subsection 1 for continuous 4 months can be claimed for refund by giving an application to the concerned tax office.
- **3.** Amount claimed for refund as per subsection 2 shall be refunded within 60 days.
- **4.** Amount claimed for refund as per subsection 2 shall not be allowed to be set off in the next month.

Addition of section 25(72): VAT Refund on Purchases of Medicine Industry

- 1. Refund on purchases of raw materials, auxiliary materials and packing materials from local manufactures can be claimed on quarterly basis.
- **2.** Amount claimed for refund as per subsection 1 shall be refunded within 60 days.

Special Provisions (Continued)

- 10% Vat Refund shall be transferred to the persons' bank a/c on making payments electronically through process as specified by department.
- VAT payment made above Rs. 10 Lakhs should be done compulsorily through Cheque, draft or electronically.
- A registered person may submit application of refund of VAT amount remaining excess after adjusting for continuous period of 4 months (Previously 6 months).
- Invoice raised without delivering goods and rendering services shall attract penalty of 50% of the invoice value or imprisonment upto 6 months or both.

New Exemptions:

- Soyabadi Masyora
- > Face Mask Manufacturing Machine
- Laghu Bima
- ➤ Items related to Covid such as PPE , Viral Transport Media PCR Test Kit, RDT, Thermal Gun, Ventilators, Surgical Gloves imported by Health Ministry or organizations listed by Health Ministry, or other institutions or person to be provided as donation

List of VAT Exemption Goods/Services - Few Instances:

- Cargo Service for the purpose of Export. Life Insurance / Reinsurance Service / Health & Accidental Insurance
- ➤ Garbage Processing Machine (HS Code: 8479.89.30)
- ➤ Garbage Compactor (HS Code: 8479.89.40)
- ➤ Medicine Manufacturing Machine (HS Code: 8479.89.50)

- ➤ Solar Charge Controller, Inverter having more than 80% of Capacity (HS Code: 8504.40.90)
- ➤ Transistor, Photo sensitive semi-conductor devices (HS Code: 8504.40.00)
- ➤ Storage Service for Agriculture Products provided by Cold Storage.
- Machinery Equipment required for Bee-Keeping Viz. Metal Barrel, Bee Brush, Gear Pump, Wheel Plate etc. (under H.S. Code 84.36) & Honey Filter & Juice Filter Machine (under H.S. Code 84.33).
- Machinery Equipment & Chemical for Blood Transfusion to be imported by Nepal Red Cross Society.
- ➤ Machinery Equipment used for the purpose of Research & Development in Pharmaceutical Industries & Hospital (under H.S. Code 90.18 & 90.27) upon recommendation of Department of Drug Administration.
- > Spare parts imported by Jute industries (on the recommendation of the Department of Industries).
- ➤ Jute Batching Oil (H.S. Code 27.10.19.13) & Jute Products (H.S. Code 53.06, 53.07 & 53.10).
- ➤ Health Services
- ➤ Education Services including Canteen, Hostel Services and **transportation services** provided by the educational institutes for self-use.
- ➤ Plastic Granules used by Saline manufacturing industries for manufacturing Saline Packing item.
- ➤ Money transfer
- ➤ Capital Market Business
- ➤ Share Market Business
- ➤ Merchant Banking
- Commodity Future Market
- ➤ Share & Commodity Brokerage Service
- > E-Rickshaw manufacturers importing items related to e-rickshaw under head 87.08
- ➤ Community education centers importing a bus having capacity of 30 seats or more for commutation of students. But the bus cannot be sold or handed over upto 10 years

VAT Facility to Hydropower Projects

VAT Exemption

Machinery, Tools, Equipment and Spare parts, Penstock Pipe or Iron Plate used to make Penstock Pipe (not manufactured in Nepal) to be imported by Hydropower Projects, on recommendation of Alternative Energy Promotion Centre / Electricity Development Department.

Zero Rate of VAT

➤ Zero Rate Facility shall be provided to Machinery, Tools, Equipment and Spare

parts, Penstock Pipe or Iron Plate used to make Penstock Pipe manufactured in Nepal, to be directly sold to Hydropower Projects, on recommendation of Alternative Energy Promotion Centre / Electricity Development Department.

Compulsory Payment of VAT on Construction for Commercial Purposes exceeding Rs. 5 Million:

- ➤ Buildings, Apartments or Shopping Complexes or such structures, as prescribed by the IRD for Commercial Purposes exceeding the value of Rs. 5 million, if constructed from by Non-VAT Registered Person; VAT on the same has to be paid. If such VAT is not paid, such VAT shall be assessed and collected from the owner of such property. Such VAT Credit cannot be claimed back.
- ➤ Note: Commercial Purpose means Buildings, Apartments or Shopping Complexes or such structures, as prescribed by the IRD constructed for sale purpose or used for income earning activities, classified under Current Assets or Fixed Assets.

VAT Collection (Reverse VAT Charge) on Services Acquired from Person Outside Nepal Not Registered in Nepal:

➤ While acquiring services from person outside Nepal not registered in Nepal, VAT on such services shall be determined and collected by the Service Recipient (whether registered in VAT or not). Such VAT is payable at the time of receipt of service or while making payment, whichever is earlier.

VAT Refund Facility for Manufacturers (not having Bonded Warehouse or Pass Book facility):

➤ Manufacturers (not having Bonded Warehouse or Pass Book facility) shall continue to get refund of VAT at Flat Rate at custom point against export of finished goods; 10% Value Addition in Raw Materials continues to be required on such exports.

Time Bar for Tax Assessment:

- Tax Assessment may be done within 4 Years from the date of submission of VAT Return; otherwise, the returned submitted shall be deemed as assessed.
- ➤ However, in case of tax evasion be means of false records, invoices or documents or other fraud, the department may order for Re-assessment at any point of time; no time bar shall be applicable in the case.

Temporary VAT Registration:

➤ Temporary VAT Registration needs to be obtained by the organizer of Temporary Exhibition, fare etc. and traders (not registered under VAT) transacting in taxable goods and services in such exhibitions. Within 7 days from the date of end of such exhibition, return needs to be filed tax needs to be paid.

➤ Section 10 v : Temporary VAT Registration of Joint Ventures

☐ Temporary registration facility is available for two or more persons agreeing to

work on a certain project as a Joint Venture for certain period of time. Such registration can be done by applying on any tax office which falls on either of the person's jurisdiction.

- ☐ After receipt of application as per sub section (1), tax officer has to provide registration certificate as per prescribed format.
- ☐ After completion of the period as mentioned in Sub section (1), the joint venture has to get de-registered.
- Person involved in such joint venture may be held singly or jointly responsible for the purpose of settlement of tax dues and other liabilities under this act.

Self-Attested Purchase & Sales Register for Non-Vat Registered Parties:

- ➤ Non-Vat Registered persons dealing in Taxable goods and services should maintain Purchase and Sales Register duly self-attested.
- Fine of Rs. 1,000 shall be levied for each contravention.

Sale to Industries Operating in SEZ:

➤ Sale of Raw Materials and Finished Goods to industries operating in SEZ, established under prevalent law, shall be taxed at Zero (0) %.

Sundries:

- ➤ Rate of Interest continues to be 15% for delay in payment of VAT.
- ➤ The practice of Advance Ruling is available for clarification of any VAT matters.
- ➤ A person who knowingly or recklessly aids or abets another person to commit an offence or counsels or induces another person to commit such an offence shall be liable for a penalty equal to 50% of the underpayment of tax.

Provisions in case of Export of Goods:

- ➤ Industries having export over 40% of total sales during last 12 months may import raw material to the extent of manufacture of export quantity against Bank Guarantee of Vat amount. The value addition on such export should be 10%. (Sec 8 s)
- ➤ Any person exporting more than 40% of total sales in any month shall be eligible for VAT refund by submitting application and other documents with Annexure 10

VAT Refund to Diplomatic Mission / Diplomats:

➤ Vat Refund to person and entity enjoying diplomatic facilities can immediately be provided if they purchase goods and services from listed firms for VAT paid above Rs. 10,000.00 (PY: 5,000) per invoice.

VAT Refund to Foreign Tourist on Purchase:

➤ VAT Refund to foreign Tourist returning through air-way against taxable purchase is Rs. 25,000.00. 3% shall be deducted against Service Charges.

Refund of VAT in case of Re-Export: Sec 25(u)

- ➤ Wherein case VAT has been paid on purchase and the same goods has been reexported and payment has been received in Convertible foreign currency in advance, VAT paid while purchase of such re-exported goods shall be refunded.
- ➤ But, in case if VAT rebate facility has been already taken as per schedule 1, VAT refund on such goods cannot be claimed.

Increase in Penalty:

- \triangleright If Registration requirements as per section $5(\ensuremath{\mathtt{e}}\xspace)$, 10(1), 10(2), $10(\ensuremath{\mathtt{e}}\xspace(1))$ and $10(\ensuremath{\mathtt{e}}\xspace(1))$ is not adhered to, Rs 20,000.00, each time.
- ➤ Addtion of section 29(1(घ)): Penalty of 50% of the VAT amount, if taxable business is operated without registration.
- ➤ If Vat Records are not updated, a penalty of Rs. 10,000 shall be levied.
- ➤ If Tax Officers are allowed to examine Vat Records; a penalty of Rs. 20,000 shall be levied every time.
- ➤ Not informing concerned tax office for any changes in particulars given during registration Rs. 10,000.00 per case (Previously Rs. 1000.00) (Sec 29(1)(v 2))
- ➤ Not issuing Vat Invoice Rs. 10,000 per transaction; Not receiving Vat Invoice Rs. 1,000.00 per transaction (Sec 29 (1) u)
- ➤ Not carrying Vat Invoice at the time of Delivery Rs. 10,000.00 if the worth of Goods is more than Rs. 10,000.00 (Sec 29 (1) (u 1))

Managerial Level Employees of Tax Payer to be Made Accountable:

- ➤ For Non Compliance of Vat Act of an entity, Managerial Level Employees of such entity shall be held responsible.
- ➤ In case of Non Payment of VAT on due, such manager who are in employment at that time or were in employment before six months, shall be made accountable jointly or severally to pay such VAT.
- ➤ However, if such noncompliance is done without such employee's consent or such employee has exercised rational act in such situation; he shall not be made accountable.
- ➤ If such VAT are paid by such employee; he can recover the amount from his employer or take under his custody any assets of his employee to the extent of such paid amount.

Special Provision relating to Computerized Billing

- ➤ A Fine of Rs. 5 Lakhs shall be levied if Tax Payer is found using software having elimination & modification option.
- ➤ A fine of Rs 5 Lakhs shall be levied to software developers if the required provisions u/s 14(s) are not followed.
- > Through notice, the department may instruct any taxpayer for computerized billing by associating in Central Billing Monitoring System (CBSM). Developers and distributors and users of Billing Software are required to be

abided by the procedures of the department. Failure to comply with the procedures shall attract penalty of Rs. 5 Lakhs.

Administrative Review

➤ Deposit against appeal for Administrative Review shall be 1/4th of disputed amount (PY: 1/3)

Changes in VAT Rules, 2053 (21st amendment, 2076)

- ➤ Any registered person is required to take consultancy services or construction contract above Rs. 5 Lakhs from a VAT registered person. (Rule 6 s (2))
- Any registered person is required to deposit 50% of the VAT amount while making payment in any purchase of construction contact, contract, goods or services from any contractor or supplier/service provider on behalf of seller. The deposited amount can be adjusted as VAT credit by the seller.
- > VAT credit shall not be allowed in purchase of Petroleum Product (Petrol, Diesel, LPG) (rule 41 (1) u)
- ➤ No registered person can appoint Tax Assistant

Remarks:

For Exhaustive List of VAT Exempted Goods and Zero Rated Goods, please refer to Revised Schedule 1 & Schedule 2 of Vat Act, 2052 given in Finance Bill, 2077

D. EXCISE DUTY

Levy of Excise Duty:

- ➤ For goods under Physical Control System: At the time of removal of goods for sale.
- ➤ For goods/services under Self Removal System: At the time of issue of invoice.
- ➤ For goods imported: At the time of import.
- ➤ For service imported: As prescribed by the IRD.

Time of Payment of Excise Duty:

- For goods under Physical Control System: At the time of removal of goods for sale.
- > For goods/services under Self Removal System: within 25 Days from the monthend in which the invoices have been issued.
- ➤ For goods imported: At the time of import.
- ➤ For service imported: As prescribed by the IRD.

Onus of Payment of Excise Duty:

- For goods manufactured in Nepal: Manufacturer.
- > For goods imported: Person mentioned on Air-way Bill, Bill of Lading, invoice or person whose name is mentioned on the application to clear the goods.
- ➤ For Auction of Excisable Goods: Person who accepts the Auction.
- ➤ For Resale or Use of Goods (other than Cigarette Liquor sold by Duty Free Shop): Person who resells or uses the goods.
- > For goods/services converted from Non Excisable to Excisable Condition: Person who owns it.
- ➤ For other cases: As prescribed by the IRD.

Time of Submission of Return:

➤ Time for submission of Monthly Excise Return continues to be 25th of next month.

Exemption of Excise Duty:

- ➤ Excisable goods/services exported out of Nepal or sold through Bonded Warehouse or Duty Free Shop continues to be exempted from excise duty (except liquor & cigarettes).
- ➤ Provision for Cash Deposit / Bank Guarantee before export or sale through Bonded warehouse or Duty Free Shop continues to be abolished.

Duty Free Sale of Cigarettes & Liquor:

Duty free sale of cigarettes and liquor continues to be prohibited. However, exemption of excise continues for purchase of cigarettes and liquor from the authorized bonded warehouses by the persons/entities having diplomatic and exemption status

Maintenance of Records:

- ➤ Purchase, Production, Removal, Sales and Stock Register, duly attested by the Excise Officer needs to be maintained.
- Excise Records need to be safely kept for 6 Years.

Time Bar for Excise Assessment:

- ➤ Tax Assessment shall be done within 4 Years from the date of submission of Excise Return; otherwise, the returned submitted shall be deemed as assessed.
- ➤ However, in case of evasion of excise by means of false return or other fraud, the department may order for Re-assessment at any point of time; no time bar shall be applicable in the case.

Bar on Gift & Cash Discount:

- ➤ Bar continues to be imposed to conduct any Gift Program by Liquor, Beer & Tobacco related products Industries or their sellers.
- ➤ No discounts shall be availed by Liquor, Beer & Cigarette Industries to sellers who are not registered under VAT.

Excise Exemption to Industries using Domestic Scraps:

➤ Industries, manufacturing goods by using 90% or more than 90% domestic scraps, continue to be exempted from Excise Duty.

Addition Of Section 2(Ka(1))

Changes in Excise:-

HS Code	Item	New	Previous			
		Rate	Rate			
0802.11.00	Almonds in Shell	5	-			
0802.12.00	Almonds Shelled- Hazelnuts or filberts (Corylus	5	-			
	spp.)					
1404.90.30	Bidi Leafs	5	-			
2101.20.00	Extracts, essences and concentrates, of tea or mate,	10	-			
	and preparations with a basis of these extracts,					
	essences or concentrates or with a basis of tea or					
	mate					
2105.00.00	Ice cream and other edible ice, whether or not	10	-			
	containing cocoa.					
2106.90.20	Panmasala without tobacco	650/Kg	610/kg			
2403.99.10	Jarda, Khaini, Snuff, Ghutka and similar	650/Kg	610/kg			
	preparations containing chewing tobacco					
2403.99.99	Other Tobacco Products 1100/Kg -					
3307.49.00	Other Shaving, Cleaning & Perfume Products 10 -					
3926.20.11	Other articles of plastics and articles of other - 5					

	materials of Headings 39.01 to 39.14.		
3605.33.00	Matches; other than pyrotechnic articles of Heading 36.04.	5	-
3923.90.10	Articles for the conveyance or packing of goods, of plastics; stoppers, lids, caps and other closures, of plastics.	5	-
3923.90.90		5	-
7217	Wire of iron or non-alloy steel.	1650/MT	-
7312	Stranded wire, ropes, cables, plaited bands, slings and the like, of iron or steel, not electrically insulated.	1650/MT	
8443.31.00	Machines which perform two or more of the functions of printing, copying or facsimile transmission, capable of connecting to an automatic data processing machine or to a network	-	10
8443.32.00	Other, capable or connecting to an automatic data processing machine or to a network	-	10
8443.39.00		-	10
8543.70.10	Electrical machines and apparatus, having individual functions, not specified or included elsewhere in this Chapter. Particle accelerators	30	-
8702.40.41	Push Start Electric Unassembled Jeep Car Van	40	-
8702.40.49	Push Start Electric Other Unassembled Vehicle	40	-
8703.80.61	Jeep, Car, Van with Motor Pick Up Power 200 Kw-300 Kw, Unassembled	70	-
8703.80.69	Jeep, Car, Van with Motor Pick Up Power 200 Kw-300 Kw, Others	70	-
8703.80.71	Jeep, Car, Van with Motor Pick Up Power 300 KW+, Unassembled	80	-
8703.80.79	Jeep, Car, Van with Motor Pick Up Power 300 KW+, Others	80	-
8703.80.91	Others	80	-
8703.80.99	Others	80	
8714.94.00	Brakes, including coaster braking hubs and hub brakes, and parts thereof	-	5
8714.95.00	Saddles	-	5
8714.96.00	Pedals & Crank Gears, and parts thereof	-	5
8714.99.90	Other Parts	-	5
8708	Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles of Headings 87.01 to 87.05.	-	5
9401	Seats (other than those of Heading 94.02), whether	10	-

	or not convertible into beds, and parts thereof. (Other than MEDICAL /BARBER USE)		
9403	Other furniture and parts thereof. (Other than MEDICAL / BARBER USE)	10	-
9405	Lamps and lighting fittings including searchlights and spotlights and parts thereof, not elsewhere specified or included; illuminated signs, illuminated name-plates and the like, having a permanently fixed light source, and parts thereof not elsewhere specified or included.	5	-

Remarks:

➤ For Exhaustive List of Excise Duty, please refer to *Revised Schedule of Excise Tariff* of Excise Act, 2058 given in Finance Bill, 2077.

Sundries:-

- ➤ For calculation of excise on liquor higher rate amongst per L.P. Ltr or per ltr will be taken.
- Cocktail of any liquor shall be considered under 2206.00.40 and accordingly excise shall be levied.
- ➤ Following Vehicles are exempted from Excise Duty: Ambulance, Dead-Body Carrying Vehicle, Chassis of Battery Operated Tempo and Scooter meant for disabled/incapacitated person.
- ➤ Raw Noodles (NOT READY TO EAT) prepared from Hand Machine and Cottage Technology is exempted from Excise Duty.
- ➤ Exemption on excise for minimum of busses with 40+ seating capacity (Either Chassis only or ready bus) imported for public transportation by cooperatives or other company
- ➤ Community Education institute is allowed to purchase 1 bus of 30 seat or more with the recommendation of Ministry of Education, Science & Technology for the specified purpose without paying excise duty. However, such vehicles are allowed to be sold or transferred within 10 years from the date of acquisition only by paying full excise as per prevailing act.
- ➤ 80 % Exemption on Excise Duty on domestic production of Brandy & **Wine** from local fruits/vegetables by industries established in Highly Undeveloped Area as defined by Schedule 9 of Industrial Policy, 2067.
- ➤ 35% rebate on excise on locally produced wine u/h 22.04 & 22.05.
- ➤ 40% rebate on excise on locally produced cider u/h 22.06
- ➤ 25 % Exemption on Excise Duty on domestic production of unassembled vehicles u/h 87.11.
- ➤ 50 % Exemption on Excise Duty on domestic production of unassembled vehicles u/h 87.02 & 87.03.

➤ No excise on locally manufactured items under various heads शीर्षक ०२.०१. ०२.०२. ०२.०३. ०२.०४. ०२.०५. ०२.०६. o२.o७. o२.o८. o२.o९. o२.9o. o३.o४. o३.o४. o3.o4. o3.o6. o3.oc. oc.o9. oc.o2. oc.o8. ०८.०६, ०८.०९, ०८.१२, ०८.१३, ०९.०६, १६.०२, 9६.०३, 9६.०४, 9६.०४, २०.०9, २०.०२, २०.०३. २०.०४. २०.०६. २०.०७. २०.०८. २१.०५. २४.०१. २५.१५, २५.१६, ६८.०२, ९४.०१, ९४.०३, र ९४.०६ तथा उपशिर्षक १७०१.१३.१०, १७०१.१४.१०, १७०४.१०.००, 9608.60.00° 5008.90.00° 5008.50.60° २००५.४०.००, २००५.५१.००, २००५.५९.००, २००५.६०.००, २००५.७०.००, २००५.८०.००, २००५.९१.००, २००५.९९.००, २१०१.११.००, २१०१.२०.००, २१०१.३०.००, २१०१.१२.००. ८५०७.१०.०० र ८५०७.२०.०० मा पर्ने वस्तको आन्तरिक उत्पादनमा अन्तःशुल्क लाग्ने छैन ।

- ➤ Public Notification of MRP for liquor, beer & cigarette at the beginning of F/Y and at the time of changes in price to be done.
- ➤ Input Credit on Excise duty is not allowed on auxiliary raw materials and packing materials.
- ➤ Excise License is not required where goods are cleared under self-removal system except for cigarette, liquor and tobacco products.
- > Tobacco Industries are now allowed under self-removal system.
- > For tobacco, liquor and pan masala manufacturers there has to be at least 15% of Value addition in the product to get refund.
- ➤ Manufacturers exporting excisable product can claim credit on the excise paid for the raw materials used either through import or local purchase to manufacture the finished product. Manufacturers also can claim for the refund of balance credit to the excise officer within one year from the date of filing of return.

Administrative Review

> Deposit against appeal for Administrative Review shall be 1/4th of disputed amount (PY: 1/3)

E. CUSTOM DUTY

F.

Custom Service Charges:

➤ Custom Service Charges on import/export of goods (in excess of Rs. 5000) continues to be as follows:

Charges per Pragyapan Patra	Charges
On Exports	Rs. 100
On Imports	Rs. 500

Changes in Custom Duty:

	Previous		
HS Code	Rate	Current Rate	Item
0701.90.00	10	15	Potatoes, fresh or chilled seed
			Ginger, saffron, turmeric (curcuma), thyme, bay leaves,
			curry and other spices.
			-Ginger:
0910.91.00	10	15	Neither crushed nor ground: Fresh
			Cocoa powder, containing added sugar or Other
1806.10.00	40	30	sweetening matter
			Other preparations in blocks, slabs or bars weighing
			more than 2 kg or in liquid, paste, powder, granular or
			other bulk form in containers or immediate packings, of
1806.20.00	40	30	a content exceeding 2 kg
1806.31.00	40	30	Other, in blocks, slabs or bars:filled
1806.32.00	40	30	Other, in blocks, slabs or bars:non filled
1806.90.10	40	30	Others
1806.90.90	40	30	
1905.90.20	40	Deleted	Potatoes chips
1905.90.81	40	30	
			Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than
			by vinegar or acetic acid, not frozen, other than products
2005.20.10	40	Deleted	of Heading 20.06. For Frozen French fries
2101.20.00	10	30	Inactive yeasts; other single-cell micro- organisms, dead
			Sauces and preparations therefor, mixed condiments
			and mixed seasonings; mustard flour and meal and
2103.90.10	20	15	prepared mustard Others
	1500 11	.=00.41	
2208.20.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	
2208.30.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	
2208.40.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength by
2208.50.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	volume of less than 80% vol; spirits, liqueurs and other
2208.60.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	spirituous beverages.

2208.70.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	
2208.90.10	1200/ltr	1500/ltr	
2710.12.10	15200/kl	25200/kl	Motor Spirit (Petrol)
2710.12.20	15200/kl	25200/kl	Hexsen (food grade)
2710.12.90	15200/kl	25200/kl	Others
2710.19.10	2000/kl	12000/kl	Kerosene (Superior Kerosene Oil)
2710.19.30	2000/kl	12000/kl	High Speed Diesel
3102.10.10	Free	5	Urea, whether or not in aqueous solution
3102.10.91	Free	5	-
3204.11.00	5	10	Dispers dyes and preparations based thereon
3204.12.00	5	10	
3204.13.00	5	10	
3204.14.00	5	10	Synthetic organic colouring matter, whether or not
3204.15.00	5	10	chemically defined; preparations as specified in Note 3
3204.16.00	5	10	to this Chapter based on synthetic organic colouring matter; synthetic organic products of a kind used as
3204.17.00	5	10	fluorescent brightening agents or as luminophores,
3204.19.00	5	10	- whether or not chemically defined.
3204.20.00	5	10	whether of not chemically defined.
3204.90.00	5	10	
3401.20.10	20	15	Soap in other forms
3920.10.10	15	20	
3920.20.10	15	20	
3920.30.10	15	20	
3920.43.10	15	20	
3920.49.10	15	20	
3920.51.10	15	20	
3920.49.10	15	20	
3920.61.10	15	20	Other plates shoots film foil and atrin of plastics non
3920.62.10	15	20	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of plastics, non-
3920.63.10	15	20	cellular and not reinforced, laminated, supported or similarly combined with other materials.
3920.69.10	15	20	Similarly Combined with other materials.
3920.71.10	15	20	
3920.73.10	15	20	
3920.79.10	15	20	
3920.91.10	15	20	
3920.92.10	15	20	
3920.93.10	15	20	
3920.94.10	15	20	
3921.11.10	15	20	
3921.12.10	15	20	Other plates, sheets, film, foil and strip, of plastics.
3921.13.10	15	20	

3921.14.10	15	20	
3921.19.10	15	20	
			Builders' wares of plastics, not elsewhere specified or
3925.90.10	20	30	included Others
3926.20.11	30	5	Articles of apparel and elething accessories (including
3926.20.21	30	5	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (including gloves, mittens and mitts)
3926.20.31	30	5	gloves, mitters and mitts)
3926.20.41	30	5	
4811.10.00	15	20	Paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs of
4811.41.00	15	20	cellulose fibres, coated, impregnated, covered, surface-
4811.49.00	15	20	coloured, surface-decorated or printed, in rolls or
			rectangular (including square) sheets, of any size other
			than goods of the kind described in Heading 48.03, 48.09
4811.90.90	15	20	or 48.10.
4819.10.90	15	20	
4819.20.00	15	20	Cartons, boxes, cases, bags and other packing containers,
4819.30.00	15	20	of paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of
4819.40.00	15	20	cellulose fibres; box files, letter trays, and similar articles,
4819.50.00	15	20	of paper or paperboard of a kind used in offices, shops
4819.60.00	15	20	or the like.
4819.90.00	15	20	
			Paper or paperboard labels of all kinds, whether or not
4821.10.00	15	20	printed.
			Paper or paperboard labels of all kinds, whether or not
4821.90.00	15	20	printedOther
4823.61.00	15	20	Other paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs
4823.69.00	15	20	of cellulose fibres, cut to size or shape; other articles of
4823.70.00	15	20	paper pulp, paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or
4823.90.00	15	20	webs of cellulose fibres.
5607.21.00	10	15	
5607.29.00	10	15	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables, whether or not plaited
5607.41.00	10	15	or braided and whether or not impregnated, coated,
5607.49.00	10	15	covered or sheathed with rubber or plastics. Of sisal or
5607.50.00	10	15	Other textile fibres Of the genus Agave
5607.90.00	10	15	
6207.91.10	20	5	Men's or boys' singlets and other vests, underpants,
			briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns
6207.99.10	20	5	and similar articles.
6208.91.10	20	5	Women's or girls' singlets and other vests, slips,
6208.92.10	20	5	petticoats, briefs, panties, nightdresses, pyjamas,
6208.99.10	20	5	negliges, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles.

6210.10.10	20	5	
6210.20.10	20	5	C
6210.30.10	20	5	Garments, made up of fabrics of Headings 56.02, 56.03,
6210.40.10	20	5	59.03, 59.06 or 59.07.
6210.50.10	20	5	
6211.32.10	20	5	
6211.32.10	20	5	
6211.39.10	20	5	Two also arite alsi quite and arrimary ages athou gammants
6211.42.10	20	5	Track suits, ski suits and swimwear; other garments.
6211.43.10	20	5	
6211.49.10	20	5	
6505.00.11	15	5	Hats and other headgear, knitted or crocheted, or made up from lace, felt or other textile fabric, in the piece (but not in strips), whether or not lined or trimmed; hair-nets of any material, whether or not lined or trimmed.
6810.11.00	15	20	Building blocks and bricks
6913.10.00	10	15	
6913.90.00	10	15	Statuettes and other ornamental ceramic articles.
7018.90.10 7018.90.90	15 15	20	Glass beads, imitation pearls, imitation precious or semi- precious stones and similar glass smallwares, and articles thereof other than imitation jewellery; glass eyes other than prosthetic articles; statuettes and other ornaments of lampworked glass, other than imitation jewellery; glass microspheres not exceeding 1 mm in diameter.
7106.10.00 7106.91.00 7106.92.00	75/10gram 75/10gram 75/10gram	85/10gram 85/10gram 85/10gram	Silver (including silver plated with gold or platinum), unwrought or in semi- manufactured forms, or in powder form.
7108.11.00 7108.12.00 7108.13.00	6500/10gram 6500/10gram 6500/10gram	8500/10gram 8500/10gram 8500/10gram	Gold (including gold plated with platinum) unwrought or in semi-manufactured forms, or in powder form.
8418.10.00 8418.21.00	15 15	20	
8418.29.00	15	20	Refrigerators, freezers and other refrigerating or freezing
8418.30.00	15	20	equipment, electric or other; heat pumps other than air
8418.40.00	15	20	conditioning machines of Heading 84.15.
8418.50.00	15	20	
3110.50.00	10	4 0	

			Dish washing machines; machinery for cleaning or drying bottles or other containers; machinery for filling, closing, sealing, or labelling bottles, cans, boxes, bags or other containers; machinery for capsuling bottles, jars, tubes and similar containers; other packing or wrapping
8422.90.10	5	10	machinery (including heat-shrink wrapping machinery); machinery for aerating beverages.
8424.41.00	5	1	Mechanical appliances (whether or not hand-operated) for projecting, dispersing or spraying liquids or powders; fire extinguishers, whether or not charged; spray guns and similar appliances; steam or sand blasting machines and similar jet projecting machines.
8424.49.00	5	1	blasting macrimes and similar jet projecting macrimes.
		10	Machines which perform two or more of the functions of printing, copying or facsimile transmission, capable of connecting to an automatic data processing machine or
8443.31.00	Free	10	to a network
0.442.22.00	T.	10	Other, capable or connecting to an automatic data
8443.32.00	Free	10	processing machine or to a network
8443.39.00	Free	10	Other
			Parts and accessories of printing machinery used for
0442 00 10	F	F	printing by means of plates, cylinders and other printing
8443.99.10	Free	5 10	components of heading 84.42
8451.90.10	5	10	Parts u/h 8451
8507.90.00	15	10	Electric accumulators, including separators therefor, whether or not rectangular (including square) Parts
8307.90.00	13	10	Other ovens; cookers, cooking plates, boiling rings,
8516.60.10	15	5	grillers and roasters , other electro-thermic appliances:
8516.90.00	15	5	Parts u/h 8516
8528.52.10	Free	5	Tarts u/ 11 0510
8528.52.90	Free	20	
8703.80.11	10	30	Electric Three Wheeler Unassembled
8703.80.19	10	30	Electric Three Wheeler Others
0703.00.17	10	30	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up upto 50 KW-
8703.80.21	10	80	Unassembled
8703.80.29	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up upto 50 KW- Others
9, 00,00,25	10		Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 50- 100 KW -
8703.80.31	10	80	Unassembled
8703.80.39	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 50- 100 KW - Others
	-		Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 100- 150 KW -
8703.80.41	10	80	Unassembled
8703.80.49	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 100- 150 KW - Others

			Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 150- 200 KW -
8703.80.51	10	80	Unassembled
8703.80.59	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 150- 200 KW - Others
			Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 200- 300 KW -
8703.80.61	10	80	Unassembled
8703.80.69	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 200-300 KW - Others
8703.80.71	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 300+ KW - Unassembled
8703.80.79	10	80	Electric Vehicle Motor pick up 300+ KW - Others
8703.80.91	10	80	Others- Unassembled
8703.80.99	10	80	Others
8708.10.00	15	20	
8708.21.00	15	20	
8708.29.00	15	20	
8708.30.00	15	20	
8708.40.00	15	20	
8708.50.00	15	20	
8708.70.00	15	20	Parts u/h 87.01 to 87.05
8708.80.00	15	20	Tarts u/11 87.01 to 87.03
8708.91.00	15	20	
8708.92.00	15	20	
8708.93.00	15	20	
8708.94.00	15	20	
8708.95.00	15	20	
8708.99.00	15	20	
8714.10.00	15	20	Parts of Motorcycle/moped

Full Exemption of Import Duty:

- Pet Chips (Custom Code: 3907.60.00) by POY Manufacturing Industries (within limit prescribed by the Department of Industries).
- ➤ Raw Jute under Chapter 53 to be imported by Jute Industries.
- ➤ Items imported by Nepal Govt. under 4907, 4909 stamps, excise stickers, passports.
- ➤ Vehicle cleared with customs rebate for personal use while being transferred to heir on death.
- > Crude Petroleum oil and bitumen oil manufactured and imported from India under head 2709.00.00.

> Following items manufactured and imported from India:-

Part 25		•		
2502.00.00	2504.10.00	2504.90.00	2510.10.00	2511.10.00
2511.20.00	2513.10.00	2513.20.00	2519.90.00	2521.00.00
2525.10.00	2529.00.00			
Part 26				

2601.11.00	2601.12.00	2601.20.00	2602.00.00	2603.00.00
2604.00.00	2605.00.00	2606.00.00	2607.00.00	2608.00.00
2609.00.00	2610.00.00	2611.00.00	2612.10.00	2612.20.00
2613.10.00	2613.90.00	2614.00.00	2615.10.00	2615.90.00
2616.10.00	2616.90.00	2617.10.00	2617.90.00	
Part 44				
4401.11.00	4401.19.00	4401.21.00	4401.22.00	4401.31.00
4401.39.00	4402.10.00	4402.90.00	4403.11.00	4403.12.00
4403.21.00	4403.22.00	4403.23.00	4403.24.00	4403.25.00
4403.26.00	4403.41.00	4403.49.00	4403.91.00	4403.93.00
4403.94.00	4403.95.00	4403.96.00	4403.97.00	4403.98.00
4403.99.10	4403.99.90	4404.10.00	4404.20.00	4406.11.00
4406.12.00	4406.91.00	4406.92.00	4407.11.00	4407.12.00
4407.19.00	4407.21.00	4407.22.00	4407.25.00	4407.26.00
4407.27.00	4407.28.00	4407.29.00	4407.91.00	4407.92.00
4407.93.00	4407.94.00	4407.95.00	4407.99.00	

- ➤ POY & Human Made Staple Fibers under Chapter 54 & 55 imported by VAT registered Yarn Industries.
- Chassis, Engine, Motor & Battery Charger imported by Manufacturing Industry of Electricity/Solar/Battery operated 3-Wheeler or 4-Wheeler Vehicles.
- ➤ Plastic bags used for blood circulation u/h 9801.90.00 and items imported by Nepal Red Cross Society u/h 9018.90.00, 3002.90.10 and 3822.00.00
- Various Goods (viz. White Cane, Brale Printer etc.) used by blind people.
- ➤ Various Goods (viz. Wheel Chair, Tricycle, Artificial Organs, Hearing Aid, Shoes etc.) used by handicapped people.
- ➤ Items imported by Nepal Rastra Bank including Gold & Silver.

1 % Import Duty:

- ➤ Helicopter, aeroplane and other parts imported by Flight Services or license receiver from CAAN.
- Feeds or animal husbandry industries importing fish items under 0511.91.00, 2301.10.00,2301.20.00 and 2521.00.00.
- > Thread u/h 52.05 and 5207.10.00 imported by Cloth & Carpet Industry.
- Machines u/h 84, Parts & Spares u/h 8421, 8451 & Chemicals & Dies u/h 28,29,32,34,38 & 39 imported by Spinning & Cloth Industry.
- ➤ Ink manufacturing industries importing ink upto 0.33 ltr per bottle.
- ➤ Equipment and their parts imported by industries u/h 9027.10.00, 9027.30.00 and 9027.90.00.
- Raw Materials and supplementary materials imported by tyre manufacturing industries.
- > Items used for converting fuel vehicles in to electric vehicles for vehicles

- registered at Ministry of Transportation.
- Catalic converter and magnetizer for vehicle pollution control
- ➤ Ceiling filling machine u/h 8479.89.00
- ➤ Vaccum Ironing Table and Steam Iron imported by ready clothing industry.
- > Seperator, Milk Chilling, Liquid Nitrogen, Industrial Refrigerator imported by agricultural or animal husbandry industries.
- ➤ Dialysis bath concentrate u/h 3824.99.90 for kidney patients use.
- ➤ Coffee Percolator u/h 8516.71.00
- ➤ Packing Materials and parts imported by Tea Industries.
- ➤ Various items required for fishery like nets, cage, pump set and hormone.
- ➤ Cotton u/h 52.01,52.02 and 52.03 imported by spinning industry.
- Generator parts imported by Generator manufacturing industries registered under VAT.
- Various items for Bee Farming.
- Raw Amber used by industries manufacturing and exporting jewelries.
- Machines and parts imported by batteries reconditioning industries.
- Plastic Recycling machines and parts.
- Weigh machines imported by medicine manufacturers.
- Plastic bags manufacturing industries importing machines and parts for producing supplement of plastic bags like jute, paper and cotton bags.
- Machines and parts for agro chemical industries.
- ➤ Offset Printing Press imported by cooperative formed by Nepalese publishers.
- ➤ Brass rods imported for manufacturing Gas Cylinder Valve.
- > Insect Traps u/h 3926.90.93 and 8516.79.10
- > Blended protein fiber yarn u/h 5108.10.90 and 5108.20.90 used by Pashmina Industry.
- > Cocoon Dryer u/h 8419.31.00 & Rolling Machine u/h 8445.40.00 used for Silk Farming.

Partial Exemption of Import Duty:

Particulars	Custom
	Rate
Man Made Staple Fibers under Chapter 55 imported by Carpet	
Industries	90% Rebate
Medicines u/h 30 (Except vitamins)	5%
Machineries and parts u/h 84 except for household items imported	4%
under DOI Scheme under CKD or SKD	
Breakfast Cereal manufacturing industries importing oats	5%
Polyster Film, BOPP Film, Extruded Polyfilm, , Metalized CPP and	10%
Milky CPP imported by Polycoating Paper and Printed lamination	
industries registered under VAT	
Items u/h 0407.11.00 & 0407.19.00 for Poulty	50% Rebate
Liquified LP Gas	5%

Saree, lungi, towel, dhoti	10% (5% PY)
Coins imported by Banijya Bank having their mark imprinted	As per head
	71.08
Items related to Cable Car	4%
UPVC manufacturing industries importing items u/h 3916	15%
Filler Master Batch u/h 39.20	10%
Machines u/h 84 imported by small scale industry (except Exempt	50% Rebate
items)	
Chassis / Box under Custom Code 87.06 used for Vehicles installed	1%
with full refrigeration system for purpose of transport of goods in	
refrigerated condition. [Applicable only after such Vehicle is	
registered with Department of Transportation]	
Tallow Oil (H.C. 15.03), Sodium Silicate (H.C. 2839) & Palm Acid Oil,	75% Rebate
Palm Fatty Acid & Acid Oil (H.C. 3823) imported by Industries	
manufacturing Distilled Fatty Acid/ Steric Acid / Glycerin / Soap	
having Splitting & Distillation Plant	
Pre-loaded & Inbuilt software shall be charged as per the hardware	
rate only.	
Acrylic Emulsion u/h 3209.10.10 for Paint Industry	20%
Iron Oxide u/h 2821.10.00 and Titanium Oxide u/h 2823.00.00 for	5%
Paint Industry	
Hybrid Vehicles (operated by battery as well as fuel) under HS Code	25% Rebate
87	
Vehicles having oxygen system u/h 87.04 used by fisheries, fishing in	10%
at least 1 hectare land	
Cooperatives & Companies established as public transport operator	5%
intended to purchase at least 5 buses of 40 seaters or more for the	
specified purpose, only 5% import duty levy on buses & chassis of	
buses. However, if such vehicles are sold or transferred within 10	
years from the date of acquisition to any person other than public	
transport operator registered as cooperatives or Companies, full	
custom duty shall be recovered. Further, Road Construction &	
Development tax also waived for such vehicles	
Slit Steel Coil imported by Prefabricated Building Manufacturers	20%(PY10%)
Base Oil imported by Grease & Lubricating oil manufacturers	15%
Cross Connection Cabinet box used in landlines.	15%
Import of Spare parts (HS 87.14) & subsidiary materials by E-	50% Rebate
Rickshaw manufacturers	
Petroleum bulk bitumen imported by Manufacturing industries	25% Rebate
Soybean Seeds imported for manufacture of Soybean Oil	50% Rebate.
Sunflower Seeds and imported for manufacture of and Sunflower Oil.	
Soybean Cake imported for Animal Feed Industries. Maize Seed &	50% Rebate

Sugar Cane imported by industries	
Glue (Hot melt), Super Absorbent Polymer, P.E. Film, P.P.E. Film,	
Tissue Paper, Release Paper & Non Woven Fabric imported for	
Disposable Diaper & Sanitary Pad Manufacturing	5%
Normal Butyl Alcohol, Ethyl Aesthete, Vinyl Aesthete Monomer,	
Polyvinyl Alcohol imported for Adhesive manufacturing	5%
Air Handling Unit imported by Medicine Manufacturer	5%
Electric Vehicle or Transporting Vehicle u/h 87.02,87.02,87.04	25% Rebate
DEP & Agarbatti Compound for Agarbatti Industry	5%
Face Mask Manufacturing Machine by Industry	25% Rebate
Raw Materials For Face Mask	5%
Luxury Coach, Micro Bus, Mini Bus Imported by Travel Agency, Star	
Hotel, Rafting Agency, Trekking Agency, Resort with the approval	
from concerned ministry	50% Rebate
Furniture, Dry Cleaning Machines, Paints, Electric Installation, Carpet,	
Housekeeping Equipment, Compressor & Various other items	
imported for the first time by hotels & resorts with approval from	
concerned ministry	50% Rebate
Vehicle imported by farm having more than 100 milk cows or buffalos,	
for its own use, on the recommendation of the Ministry of Agriculture	
Development. Such vehicles cannot be sold/transferred from the date	
of import.	50% Rebate
Pick up / Mini Truck Vehicle imported by Tea Industries, for	
transportation of tea, on the recommendation of the Ministry of	
Agriculture Development. For Tea Industries having 10-30 Bigaha	
Land for cultivating Tea: 1 No. Vehicle. For Tea Industries having	
more than 30 Bigaha Land for cultivating Tea: 2 No. Vehicle Such	
vehicles cannot be sold / transferred from the date of import.	50% Rebate
Various Raw Materials of Ink Manufacturing Industry on the	
approval of Department of Industry	5% Rebate

Other Points:

➤ Gold Brought By Travellers:

1. Raw Gold:

First 50 Grams: Rs 9500/10 gramNext 50-100 Grams: Rs 10500/10 gram

2. Gold Jewellery

• First 50 Grams: Nil

Next 50-100 Grams: Rs 10500/10 gram
Next 100-200 Grams: Rs 12500/10 gram

Any excess quantity from allowed limit shall be seized.

Whereas in case of Foreigners, gold jewelry in excess of 50 grams and silver jewelry in excess of 100 grams for personal use can be declared at customs point and in condition of taking those back the goods shall be released at a declaration deposit of 20 % of the value. The deposit amount will be refunded while returning back. In case of any difference in quantity or quality is punishable u/s 57(1) of Customs Act 2064.

- ➤ **Rebate on Goods Imported From India:** Goods manufactured and imported from India through LC, rebate of 5% on items on which the Import Duty is 5% to 30% and rebate of 3% of items with Import duty above 30%.
- ➤ **Rebate on Goods Imported From Tibet:** Goods manufactured and imported from China Via Tibet through LC, rebate of 5% on items on which the Import Duty is 5% to 30% and rebate of 3% of items with Import duty above 30%.
- ➤ Concessional Custom duty on goods imported from SAARC Countries other than goods listed under Section 19 & 20 of Annex 1 of the Finance Bill, 2077 through Letter of Credit has further been reduced:-

Custom Duty Rate as on Poush 17, 2062	Applicable Custom Duty
5%	5%
10%	6%
15%	7.25%
25%	9.50%
35%	11.25%
40%	11.25%
80%	11.25%

(<u>Note</u>: In case the Custom Duty Rate above is higher than the rate prescribed under Annex 1 of the Finance Bill, 2077; the lower rate shall be applicable.)

➤ SAFTA Concession is as follows: Concessional Custom duty on goods manufactured in SAARC Country, invoiced and imported from that particular SAARC Country, along with SAFTA Certificate of Origin and for goods listed under Section 21 of Annex 1 of the Finance Bill, 2077 through Letter of Credit has further been reduced:-

Custom Duty Rate as on Kartik, 2062	Applicable Custom Duty
5%	5%
10%	9%
15%	14%
20%	18.50%
25%	22%
30%	27.50%
80%	30%

(Note: In case the Custom Duty Rate above is higher than the rate prescribed under Annex 1 of the Finance Bill, 2077; the lower rate shall be applicable.)

- Exporter may export Nepalese Manufacture Products up to USD 10,000 on the basis of Bank Guarantee, if unable to present Forex Receipt documents, at the time of export. The exporter may release the bank guarantee within 6 months from the date of export after submitting documents related to receipt of forex against such export. If such bank guarantee is not released within 6 months; the bank guarantee may be invoked by the custom office.
- ➤ Industries export its goods through letter of credit or banking channel in convertible foreign currency but not having Bonded House Facility, can import its raw materials, sub raw materials & packing materials (if packing material is manufactured in Nepal) by custom deposit facility. However, such facility is not available for liquor, cigarette, and tobacco related manufacturing industries.
- ➤ New Vehicles or any Mode of Transportation can be imported from the Manufacturer Company or Authorized Agent situated at manufacturing company's country only. Such Vehicles can only be imported by Authorized Dealers in Nepal. Non-compliance of above this provision may lead to confiscation of such imported vehicles (*Exception: Fire Brigade*).
- ➤ Reconditioned, Used Vehicles / Mode of Transportation and Vehicles / Mode of Transportation not meeting Nepal Vehicle Pollution Standard 2056 are prohibited to be imported (Exception: Fire Brigade).
- ➤ Vehicle brought under cornet by tourist is not applicable for any customs for a period of 1 year from the date of first entry for either continuous or partly for 6 months.
- ➤ Other vehicles except cornet:
 - Tractor: Rs 400/day
 - Tractor with Trailor or Trailor Only: Rs 700/day

Tractor or trailor used for goods transport if returned empty within 48 hrs, no such charge will be applicable.

- Car, Jeep Van: Rs 500/day
- Bus/Mini Bus: Rs 500/day
- Motorbikes/Scooter: Rs 150/day
- Three-wheelers: Rs 400/day
- Trailor/Truck: Rs 1700/day

LPG Transporting Bullets are allowed a time limit of 96 hours for no charge

Trailors with Containers are allowed a time limit of 72 hrs for no charge

PROVISIONS RELATED TO CINEMA THEATRE

(Anusuchi 4, Sec 12)

 Film Development Fee @ 15% on any international movie
 Film Development Fee @ 20% on any international movie if displayed in a cabin
 Daily Sales Register should be maintained and the details should be shared every week with Film Development Board and respective Inland Revenue Department for theatres inside Kathmandu Valley and with Inland Revenue Department incase its available or Office of Attorney General for theatres outside Kathmandu Valley Vallev.

4) Theatres generating E-Tickets should get itself registered with Central Cinema Management within Poush 2077.

- 5) Those who do-not register themselves as per point no. 4 above shall be liable to pay penalty of 100% of the billing for the first time and 200% of the billing from the second time.
- 6) FDF needs to be paid within 25th of the succeeding month with proper details in the respective IRO or Office of Attorney General. If not paid within stipulated time, 25% penalty shall arise. Detail of FDF should be shared with Film Development Board within the same timeframe and it should also be sent via Box Office System.
- 7) If a theatre denies a display of cinema where it has actually displayed the same, claims to have displayed Nepalese cinema where it has actually displayed international cinema or claimed to have sold fewer tickets than actual, following charges shall be entitled apart from FDF:
- a) 100% of FDF if for the first time
 b) 200% of FDF from the second time
 8) Theatre shall be closed if the theatre doesn't comply with point no. 4 or 5 for more than 2 months. Applicable FDF and penalties shall be payable by the theatre. NRS. 1,000.00 per report shall be charged as penalty for not providing details every month.
- 9) If a theatre is closed by reason of Natural Calamity, Repair & Maintenance of Equipment's, or any other reason for 7 days or more, it need not pay FDF for the period it was closed for. Same has to be approved from the respective office as per 'Prakaran 11'.
- 10)50% discount is given for movies displayed for students discount on Saturday at and on a Government Holiday at 8:00 am in FDF.
- 11) Any theatre can file a case to Revenue Tribunal incase not satisfied with any judgement made under this Anusuchi.
- 12) Monitoring of FDF shall be done by IRO or Office of Attorney General.
 13) Monitoring of FDF can also done by Film Development Board. It can also go for site inspection and verification of data.
- 14) Every theatre has to supply information of Serial No. of the tickets, Name of Cinema and date of broadcast one day before to Film Development Board and IRO. Detail of same also has to be kept by the theatre itself.

Road Construction & Maintenance Fee:

> Road Construction & Maintenance Fee, levied at the time of registration of vehicle, shall be levied as follows:

Items	2074/75
Microbus, Bus, Truck, Tripper, Truck Mixture, Mini Bus & Mini Truck.	7 % of Cost
Car, Jeep & Van up to 2000cc	8% of Cost
Car, Jeep & Van above 2000cc	10% of Cost
Electric Car, Jeep & Van	5% of Cost
Motorcycle:	
Up to 150 CC	Rs. 15,000
151 CC – 250 CC	Rs. 18,000
251 CC – 400 CC	Rs. 50,000
Above 400 CC	Rs. 200,000
Electric Motorcycle & Scooter	Rs. 12,000 /Pc
Electric Three Wheeler and Transportation Vehicle	Rs. 13,000 /Pc
Three Wheeler and Transportation Vehicle under 87.03 & 87.04	Rs. 15,000 /Pc
Other Vehicles under 87.02, 87.03 & 87.04	10% of Cost
Chesis under 87.06	9% of Cost

However, the above shall not be applicable to diplomatic mission, person with diplomatic facility, ambulance and Dead-Body Carrying Vehicle.
 Electrical / Solar / Battery operated Vehicles shall be eligible for 50% exemption on above mentioned Road Construction & Maintenance Fee.
 Scooter up to 155 C.C. designed for disabled shall be fully exempt from Road Construction & Maintenance Fee.
 40 seater or above capacity bus (minimum 5 Pcs) imported by any Co-operative society or company for specified purpose shall be fully exempt from Road Construction & Maintenance Fee.