$20\,$ Provisions of Income Tax for Post Office - LIC & UTI Agents

Ad hoc deduction for post office, LIC, UTI agents from income derived by commission is allowed as per CBDT circular no.648 dated Mar 30, 1993 as detailed below:

Situation 1: If gross commission received in financial year is not more than Rs. 60,000 & accounting of expenses has not been done then following deductions are allowed:

S.N	Particulars	Amount of std. deduction
(A)	Agents of Post office, mutual fund, UTI	Up to 50% of comm. received
(B)	LIC agent	
	(i) First year commission	
	(ii) Renewal commission	Up to 50% of comm. received
	(iii) If accounting of above is not kept separately	Up to 15% of comm. received
	(iv) Bonus commission	Up to 33.3% of com. received
		No deduction

Note – for LIC agent max. Deduction in respect of (i) (ii) (iii) is allowed up to Rs. 20,000

Situation 2: If all situations other than situation 1, tax assessment officer can allow deduction up to the limit of actual expenses.

Example: Mr. Sharma is an LIC agent, whose income in the year 2016-17 is as follows: -

Income from commission

(i) First year commission Rs. 3,00,000 (ii) Renewal commission Rs. 40,000 (iii) Bonus commission 5,000 *B)* Income from other sources (Interest of bank/NSC) = Rs. 65,000

C) LIC premium paid Rs. 30,000

Calculate the Income Tax Payable?

Solution:

3,00,000 + 40,000 + 5,000 + 65,000Total Income = 4,10,000

(ii) ad hoc deduction on commission – not granted as the total commission is > Rs.60,000. So deduction of actual expenses can be allowed if accounts are maintained properly as:

a) Transportation expenses = 20,000b) office rent = 60,000c) telephone and electricity charges = 30,000**Total Deduction** =(-)1,10,000(iii) Gross Total Income 3,00,000 (iv) Deduction in respect of LIC premium paid =(-)30,000= 2,70,000(v) Total Taxable Income (vi) Total Income Tax 1^{st} 2, 50,000 =Nil Next 20,000 @ 10% =200002000 (vii) Income tax rebate u/s 87 A 2000 (b) (viii) Net tax payable Nil

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