GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

(G.O. Ms. No. 28/F2/2011, dated 10th May 2011)

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Government of India have framed the National e-Government Plan (NeGP) and the Commercial Taxes Mission Mode Program (hereinafter referred to as the CTMMP) for modernising indirect tax administration and the CTMMP Scheme envisages e-services supported by Information Technology for providing improved service delivery through computerisation of Commercial Taxes to all stake holders and one of the targeted services is introduction of e-payment of Commercial Taxes;

2. And, whereas the Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Government of India, New Delhi have also issued guidelines *vide* letter No.F.31/12/2008-SO(ST), dated 17th March 2010 for providing e-payment of taxes, at least through five Public Sector Banks in each of the States/Union Territories and the Reserve Bank of India has also agreed to grant necessary accreditation for the Public Sector Banks specified by the Government for receiving tax revenues to be credited to the Consolidated Fund of the respective Government, *vide* their letter No. DGBA. GAD.No.H-10069/31-5-2001/2009-10, dated 23rd June 2010;

3. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by rule 67 of the Puducherry Value Added Tax Rules, 2007, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry has been pleased to direct that the tax revenue, fees and any other amount required to be paid to the Commercial Taxes Department in the Union territory of Puducherry may also be paid by e-payment mode through the Public Sector Banks mentioned in paragraph 4 of this order and the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes shall notify the applicability of e-payment mode to any person or any dealer or class of dealers or in relation to any goods from time to time.

4. Further, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (e) of sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (Central Act 21 of 2000) read with rule 2 of the Consolidated Fund of the Union Territory of Puducherry Rules, 1963, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry has been pleased to appoint the following Public Sector Banks for realising the tax revenue, fees and any other amount pertaining to the Commercial Taxes Department,

Government of Puducherry through e-payment, namely:-

- (a) State Bank of India
- (b) Syndicate Bank
- (c) Indian Overseas Bank
- (d) IDBI Bank
- (e) Indian Bank
- (f) Bank of Baroda

5. Payment made through e-payment mode shall be valid subject to receipt of funds from the respective Banks, duly debiting the amount from the account of the dealer/person and the receipt issued through the system mentioning the Web Reference No. and Transaction I. D. of the Bank shall be a valid proof for the discharge of the liability by the respective assessee/ dealer/person making the payment subject to the condition that the assessee/dealer/person once opted to make payment under e-payment module, they shall not be permitted to use any other mode for making payment thereafter.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

M. GUNASEGARAN, Under Secretary to Government.