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MINISTRY OF LAW
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THE TAXATION LAWS (AMENDMENT AND
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ORDINANCE,
1965

No. 5 OF 1965

Promulgated by the President in the Sixteenth Year of the
Republic of India.

An Ordinance further to amend the Income-tax Act, 1961, the Estate Duty Act, 1953, the Wealth-tax Act, 1957, the Gift-tax Act, 1958 and to provide for exemption from tax in certain cases of undisclosed income invested in National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980.

WHEREAS Parliament is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action ;

Now, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance :—

Short title
and com-
mencement.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Taxation Laws (Amendment and Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance, 1965.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

Amendment
of section 2.

2. In section 2 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as the Income-tax Act), in sub-clause (iv) of clause (14), after the figures "1980", the following shall be inserted, namely :—

"or National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980".

Amendment
of section 10.

3. In section 10 of the Income-tax Act, after sub-clause (i) of clause (15), the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely :—

"(ia) annual payment on National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980 ;".

Amendment
of section
193.

4. In section 193 of the Income-tax Act, in the proviso, after clause (i), the following clause shall be inserted, namely :—

"(ia) any interest payable to an individual on 4½ per cent National Defence Loan, 1968 or 4½ per cent. National Defence Loan, 1972 ; or".

Amendment
of Act 34 of
1953.

5. In the Estate Duty Act, 1953,—

(i) in sub-section (1) of section 33, after clause (o), the following clause shall be inserted, namely :—

"(p) National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980, to the extent of the principal value of such Bonds for an aggregate weight of fifty kilogrammes of gold :

Provided that if such Bonds had passed on the death of any person, the exemption conferred by this clause shall not be available in respect of the same Bonds passing on any subsequent death."

(ii) in sub-section (1) of section 34, in clause (a), for the brackets, letters and word "(n) and (o)", the brackets, letters and word "(n), (o) and (p)" shall be substituted.

Amendment
of Act 27 of
1957.

6. In section 5 of the Wealth-tax Act, 1957, in sub-section (1), for clause (xvii), the following clause shall be substituted, namely :—

"(xvii) 6½ per cent. Gold Bonds, 1977, 7 per cent. Gold Bonds, 1980 and National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980 ;".

7. In section 5 of the Gift-tax Act, 1958, in sub-section (1), after clause (iii), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

Amendment of Act 18 of 1958.

“(iiiia) of property in the form of National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980, not exceeding the value of such Bonds for an aggregate weight of five kilogrammes of gold in any previous year:

Provided that the exemption conferred by this clause shall be available only to a person who has initially subscribed to the said Bonds;”.

8. (1) Where a person who has acquired any gold out of his income which has not been disclosed by him for the purposes of the Indian Income-tax Act, 1922, or the Income-tax Act, 1961, or the Excess Profits Tax Act, 1940, or the Business Profits Tax Act, 1947, or the Super Profits Tax Act, 1963, or the Companies (Profits) Surtax Act, 1964, tenders such gold as subscription for the National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980, prior to the detection of such income by the Income-tax Officer or the seizure of such gold under any law for the time being in force, such income shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the said Acts, not be included in his income, profits or gains chargeable to tax under the said Acts in an assessment or re-assessment for any assessment year made under the said Acts on or after the 20th day of October, 1965.

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(2) In computing the net wealth of a person under the Wealth-tax Act, 1957, the value of the assets represented by the income, which under sub-section (1) is not includible in his income, profits or gains, shall, notwithstanding anything contained in the said Act, not be taken into account in an assessment or re-assessment for any assessment year made under the said Act on or after the 20th day of October, 1965.

(3) (a) The name of the person subscribing to the National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980, and any particulars relating to the Bonds subscribed to by him, shall be treated as confidential, and, notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force, no court shall be entitled to require any public servant to disclose the name of such person or any such particulars or to give any evidence in respect thereof.

(b) No public servant shall disclose the name of the person subscribing to the National Defence Gold Bonds, 1980 or any particulars relating to the Bonds subscribed to by him, except to an officer employed in the execution of any of the Acts mentioned in sub-section

(1) or the Wealth-tax Act, 1957 or to any officer appointed by the ^{27 of 1957} Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or the Central Board of Direct Taxes (constituted under the Central Boards of Revenue Act, 1963) to audit income-tax receipts or refunds. ^{54 of 1963}

(4) In this section,—

(a) "gold" means gold, including its alloy, whether virgin, melted, re-melted, wrought or unwrought, in any shape or form, and includes any gold coin (whether legal tender or not), any ornament and any other article of gold;

(b) "public servant" includes an officer or other employee of the Reserve Bank of India.

S. RADHAKRISHNAN,

President.

R. C. S. SARKAR,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.