

CUSTOMS, EXCISE & SERVICE TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL
PRINCIPAL BENCH, WEST BLOCK No.2, R.K.PURAM, NEW DELHI - 110066
SINGLE MEMBER APPEAL BRANCH

Appeal No. **ST/129 /2009 – SM[BR]**

Date **30/06/2011**

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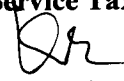
Appellant

Vs
Respondent

C.C.E. CHANDIGARH

I am directed to transmit herewith a certified copy of **Final order No. 358 / 2011-SM[BR]** dated 23.6.2011

passed by the Tribunal under **Section 129, (B) of the Customs Act,1962 & Financial Act 1994 relating to Service Tax**


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WEST BLOCK NO.II, R.K. PURAM, NEW DELHI-110066.
SINGLE MEMBER BENCH
Court No.III

Service Tax Appeal No.129 of 2009

(Arising out of Order-in-Original No.170/STC/CE//2008 dated
12.11.2008 passed by the CCE, Chandigarh)

For approval and signature:

Hon'ble Mr.M.Veeraiyan, Member (Technical)

1	Whether Press Reporters may be allowed to see the Order for publication as per Rule 27 of the CESTAT (Procedure) Rules, 1982?	No
2	Whether it should be released under Rule 27 of the CESTAT (Procedure) Rules, 1982 for publication in any authoritative report or not?	No
3	Whether Their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the Order?	Seen
4	Whether Order is to be circulated to the Departmental authorities?	No

M/s.Pragati Paper Inds. Ltd.
Vs.

Appellants

CCE, Chandigarh

Respondent

Present for the Appellant: Shri Mayank Garg, Advocate

Present for the Respondent: Shri K.P.Singh, SDR

Coram: Hon'ble Mr. M.Veeraiyan, Member (Technical)

Date of Hearing: 23.06.2011

Date of Decision: 23.06.2011

final

ORDER NO. 358/2011 SM (Br)

PER: M.VEERAIYAN

This is an appeal against the order of the Commissioner
No.170/STC/CE//2008 dated 12.11.2008.

2. Heard both sides.

3. The appellants are manufacturers of paper and paper products. They are also recipient of GTA services and as recipient they were liable to pay service tax. The dispute relates to use of cenvat credit account for the purpose of paying service tax on GTA services availed by them as recipient. The Commissioner has held that service tax in such a situation could be paid only by cash and not using cenvat credit account. Accordingly, he confirmed demand of service tax and imposed penalty.

4. Learned Advocate for the appellants submits that this issue stands decided by Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana in the case of CCE, Chandigarh vs. Nahar Industrial Enterprises Ltd. reported in 2011 (104) RLTONLINE 3 holding that recipient of GTA of services can utilize cenvat credit account for paying service tax.

5. Learned SDR submits that earlier appeal was adjourned on the ground that the matter relating to utilization of cenvat credit account, in such situation, was referred to the Larger Bench of the Tribunal in the case of Panchmahal Steel Ltd. vs. CCE, Vadodara-II reported in 2008 (12) STR 447. However, he fairly submits that the facts of the present case and the facts in the case of Nahar Industrial Enterprises Ltd are identical.

6. Inasmuch as the issue stands decided in favour of the assessee by Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana in the case of Nahar Industrial Enterprises Ltd holding that the recipient of GTA services can utilize cenvat credit account for paying service tax, the

impugned order is set aside and the appeal is allowed with consequential relief as per law.

(Pronounced in the open court)

(M.VEERAIYAN)
MEMEBR (TECHNICAL)

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