Ref. No. 205-26/1275 Date: 21st March 2026

To,

Hon'ble Commissioner of State Tax,
8th Floor, GST Bhavan, Mazgaon,
Mumbai – 400010

Sub: URGENT Representation – Request for Extension of Due Date for MVAT/CST Tax Filing due to Website Functionality Issues

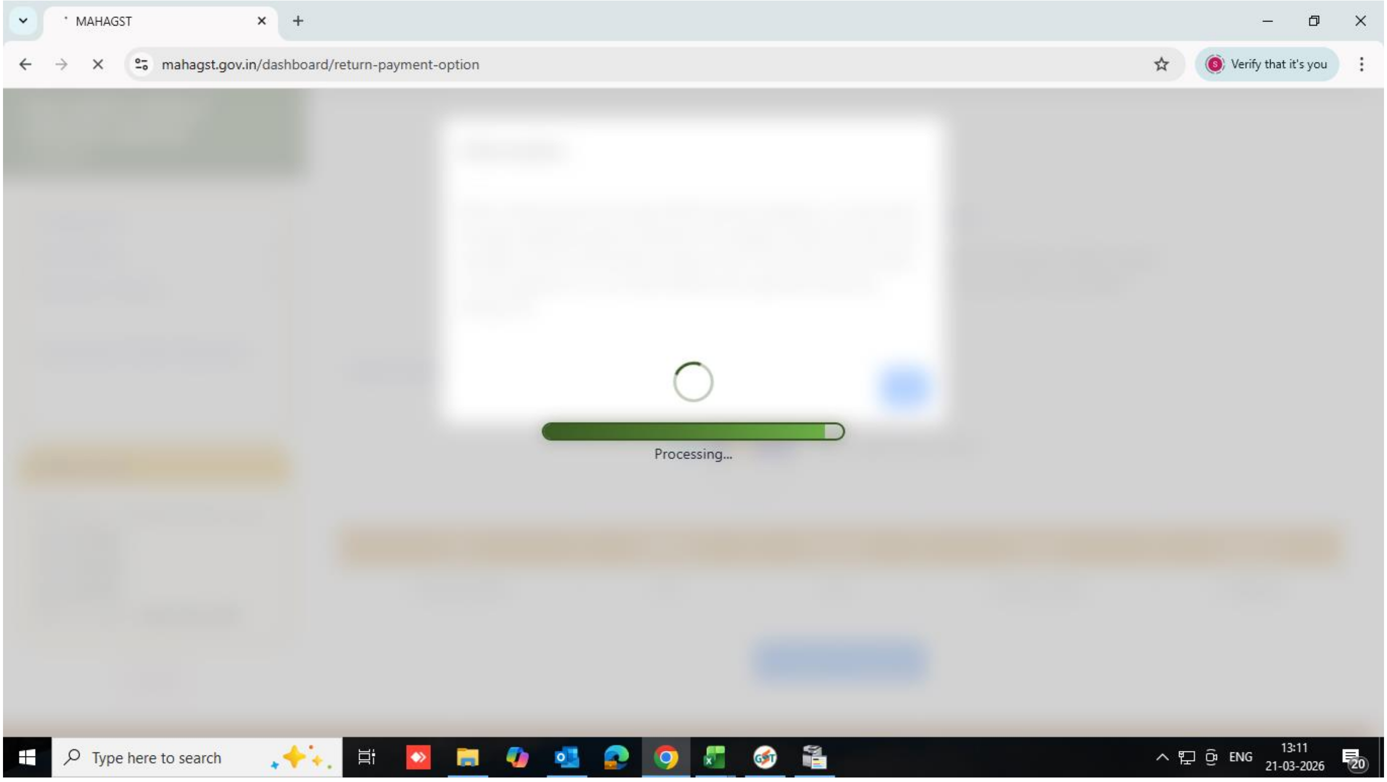
Respected Sir,

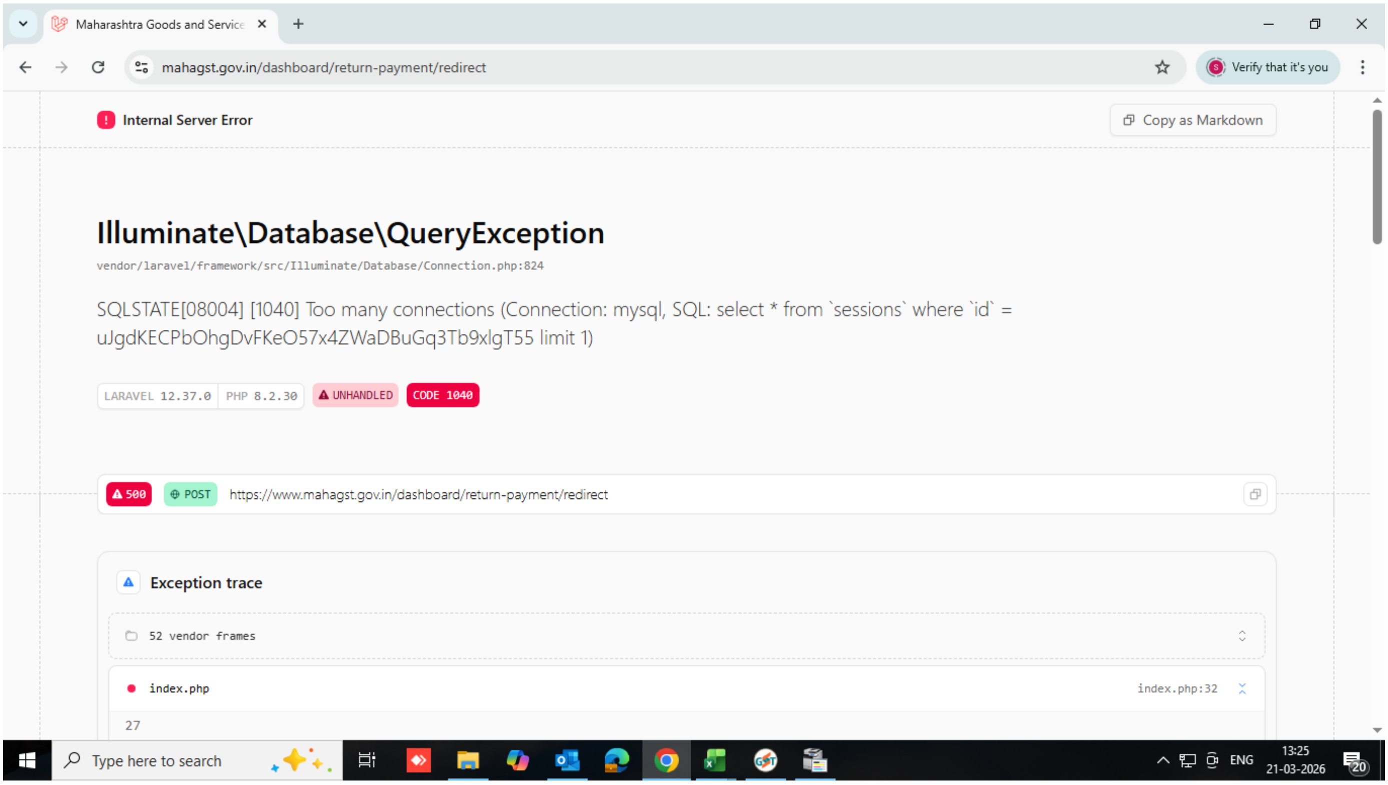
1. At the outset, we would firstly like to thank you on behalf of our members and the tax payers in general for allowing us to represent them on various issues being faced by the tax payers under the indirect tax laws.

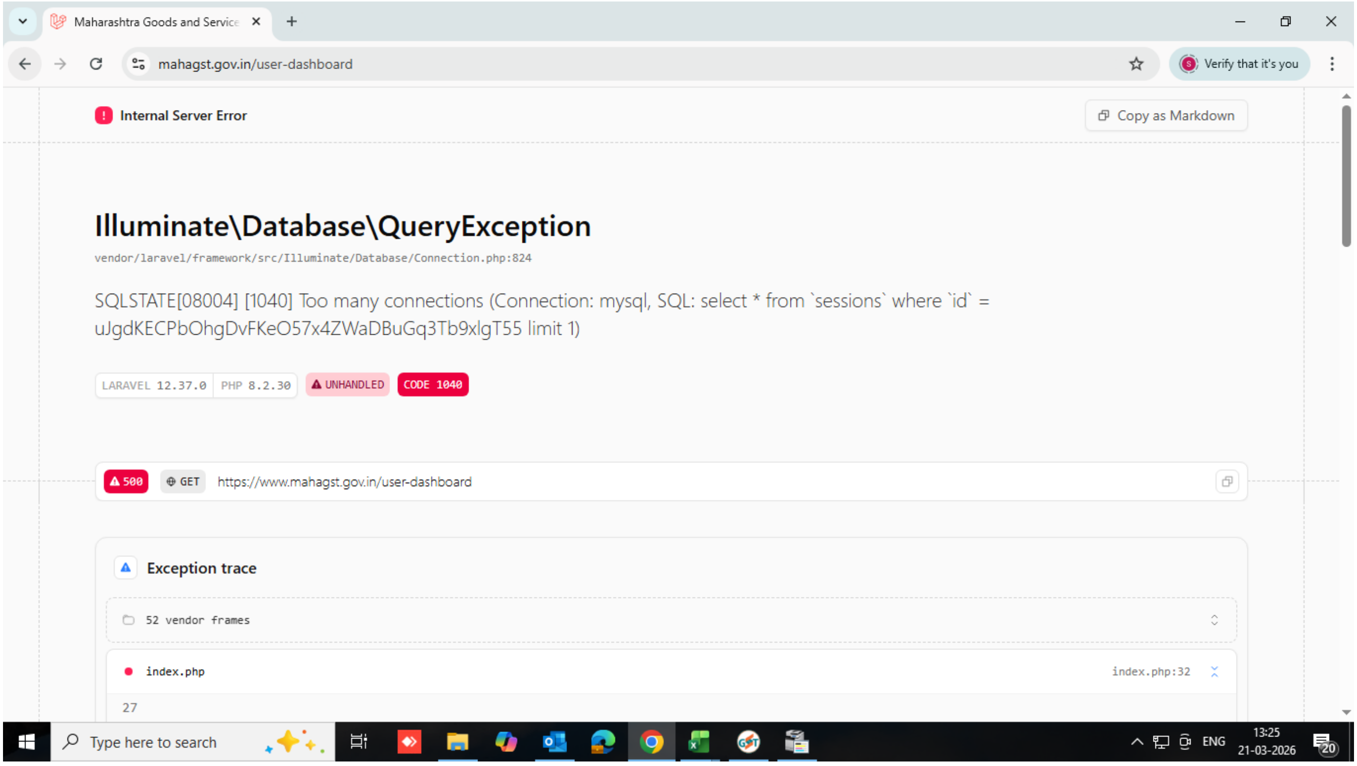
2. The Goods and Service Tax Practitioner's Association of Maharashtra (GSTPAM), established in 1951, is a state-level body representing tax practitioners and taxpayers before tax authorities. It has played an important role in the implementation of major tax laws such as MVAT and GST and regularly conducts educational programs to support the effective implementation of indirect tax laws in Maharashtra. GSTPAM has consistently represented taxpayer issues before tax authorities and helped authorities engage with taxpayers through various public events. The association has over 3,000 members across Maharashtra, including tax practitioners, Chartered Accountants, Cost Accountants, Company Secretaries, and Advocates practicing in GST, VAT, Service Tax, and allied laws, with regional centres across the State.

3. Sir, it is observed that the MahaGST website, which is crucial for the filing process, has not been functioning smoothly. Taxpayers are experiencing significant difficulties in accessing the portal and making payments, which is further hindering the timely completion of filings. This technical disruption is adding to the challenges of meeting the prescribed due date. Our members have also addressed emails to your good offices regarding the above concerns. At present, taxpayers are unable to proceed with payments, as the system does not advance to the challan generation stage, let alone the payment gateway. This issue persists both post-login and when attempting payments directly without logging in. Even the return module is not functioning properly and is preventing the filing of MVAT/CST returns. Moreover, the

portal/system also does not allow to file 'payable' return.. All these above issue has remained unresolved for the past 4 days. Screenshot of websites stuck on the payment page/not accessing the return dashboard after login is reproduced hereunder:







4. The due date for filing of MVAT/CST returns and payment of tax for February is due on 21.03.2026. While taxpayers always endeavour to comply with statutory requirements within the prescribed timelines, the current technical issues on the department's website have made such compliance extremely difficult.

   At present as well, the MahaGST portal is frequently non-functional and inaccessible, thereby preventing taxpayers from carrying out essential activities such as payment of MVAT/CST and filing of the relevant returns.

5. In view of the above situation, we humbly request your good office to kindly take cognizance of the persistent technical issues on the portal and the genuine hardships faced by taxpayers. We therefore request that suitable relief may kindly be granted aligned with the date on which the portal becomes fully operational, so as to ensure that no dealer is penalised for circumstances completely beyond their control.

6. In view of the above, we humbly request your good office to kindly consider granting a short extension of 7 days from the due date, for filing and payment of MVAT & CST Dues for the month of February 2026 in the State of Maharashtra, to ease compliance burden and provide relief to taxpayers.

7. We sincerely hope that the difficulties faced by the taxpayer community will receive due consideration and that appropriate directions will be issued to alleviate the present compliance challenges.

8. Sir, we trust you will consider this representation favourably and provide timely relief to taxpayers at large.

We shall be happy to meet you personally and explain the situation. The issue requires your immediate attention and intervention.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For The Goods & Services Tax Practitioners' Association of Maharashtra

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