Concessional Rates of the Income Tax @ 22% for the Companies in India

- Income tax @22% in place of 25% or 30% under the Section 115-BAA
- 1. Income Tax @ 22% is applicable on Companies for Assessment year (AY) 2020-21
 - (i) **All** Indian companies are permitted to avail concessional rate of income tax **@22**% plus 10% 'fixed' surcharge and 4% higher education cess
 - (ii) However these companies are **not** permitted to avail the followings deductions **after** availing Income Tax @ **22**%
 - (a) **No** deduction under the section **10AA** for a unit as established in Special Economic Zone (SEZ)
 - (b) **No** deduction under the Section **32(1)(iia)** for the **additional** depreciation against **new** addition in plant and machinery by the **manufacturing** companies.
 - (c) No deduction under the section 33AB for the manufacturing of Tea, coffee and rubber
 - (d) No deduction under the section 35 for the Scientific Research Expenditures
 - (e) **No** deduction under the section **35AD** for the **capital** expenditures incurred against **specified** business
 - (f) **No** deduction under the section **35CCC** or **35CCD** for the expenditures against **agricultural** extension project or **skill** development project
 - (g) (a) **No** deduction for chapter VI-A under the heading **C** like deductions under section **80H** to **80TT**
 - (b) However some 'special' deductions are permitted for the companies under the section 80G, 80GGA, 80GGB, 80JJAA, 80LA and 80M for the AY 2020-21 and 80JJAA, 80LA and 80M for the AY 2021-22 and onwards

2. Important Points

- (i) **No** Minimum Alternative Tax **(MAT)** concept under the Section **115JB** is applicable on the company where availing income tax **@22%**. Hence non-applicability of the MAT is greatest advantage of the option under the section **115BAA**.
- (ii) No MAT credit is permitted where the company is availing income tax @ 22%
- (iii) (a) **No** brought forward **losses** and unabsorbed **depreciation** are permitted under the Section 10AA, 32(1)(iia), 33AB, 35, 35AD, 35CCC or 35CCD
 - (b) Hence **normal** brought forward losses and unabsorbed depreciation **other than** Abovementioned sections under the para 1(ii)(a) to (g) are permitted

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- (iv) **No** withdrawal option is available against income tax @22% in the **subsequent** years. Hence once this option is opted thereafter withdrawal in **subsequent** years is **not** permitted
- (v) Income tax @ 22% is permitted from AY 2020-21 and also permitted in subsequent years where same is not opted from Ay 2020-21.
- (vi) Form Number **10-IC** is to be filed **before** the due date of filing of return of incomes under the section **139(1)** for availing income tax @**22%**
- (vii) Presently income tax @25 % or 30% plus surcharge and education cess is applicable where the Indian company is **not** availing Income tax @ 22% under the section 115BAA
- (viii) **Comparison** between **present** rate of income tax and **future** effective rate of Income tax under the section 115BA and 115BAA respectively

■ Present Rate of Income tax @ 25% or 30% under the section 115BA

- (aa) **Effective Rate** of Income tax is @26% (25% + 1% higher education cess) where taxable profits in the financial year 2019-20 are below 1 crore and also turnover is below 400 crore in the financial year 2017-18
- (ab) Effective Rate of Income tax is @27.82% (25% +1.75% surcharge + 1.07% education cess) where taxable profits in the financial year 2019-20 are between 1 crore and 10 crore and also turnover is below 400 crore in the financial year 2017-18
- (ba) Effective Rate of Income tax is @31.20% (30% + 1.2% higher education cess) where taxable profits in the financial year 2019-20 are below 1 crore but turnover is 400 crore and above in the financial year 2017-18
- (bb) Effective Rate of Income tax is @33.384% (30% +2.10% surcharge + 1.284% higher education cess) where taxable profits in the financial year 2019-20 are between 1 crore and 10 crore and also turnover is 400 crore and above in the financial year 2017-18

■ Future Rate of Income tax @ 22% under the Section 115BAA

• Effective Rate of Income tax @25.168% (22%+2.2% surcharge + 0.968% higher education cess) where taxable profits in the financial year 2019-20 are without any limit in the financial year 2019-20 and also without any limit on the turnover in the financial year 2017-18

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