

CMA INTER JUNE'20

DIRECT TAXES TEST 1 - SOLUTION

[Basics, Residential Status and Scope of Total Income and House Property]

Marks: 45 Time 1hr 30 min

Q 1

Generally income of the previous year is taxable in immediately next assessment year, below are the exceptions to general rule:

- 1) Income from shipping business of non-residents.
- 2) Person leaving India, permanently or with no intentions of returning back.
- 3) Associations or bodies formed for a particular purpose or event.
- 4) Persons likely to transfer property to avoid tax.
- 5) Discontinued business.

Q 2

a) Determination of Residential Status of Mr. Brett Lee for the A.Y. 2020-21: Period of stay during previous year 2019-20 = 100 days
 Calculation of period of stay during 4 preceding previous years (100 x 4=400 days)

| 2018-19 | 100 days |
|---------|-----------------|
| 2017-18 | 100 days |
| 2016-17 | 100 days |
| 2015-16 | <u>100 days</u> |
| Total | 400 days |

Mr. Brett Lee has been in India for a period more than 60 days during previous year 2019-20 and for a period of more than 365 days during the 4 immediately preceding previous years. Therefore, since he satisfies one of the basic conditions under section 6(1), he is a resident for the assessment year 2020-21.

Computation of period of stay during 7 preceding previous years = 100 x 7=700 days

| 2018-19 | 100 days |
|---------|-----------------|
| 2017-18 | 100 days |
| 2016-17 | 100 days |
| 2015-16 | 100 days |
| 2014-15 | 100 days |
| 2013-14 | 100 days |
| 2012-13 | <u>100 days</u> |
| Total | 700 days |

Since his period of stay in India during the past 7 previous years is less than 730 days, he is a not-ordinarily resident during the assessment year 2020-21.

Therefore, Mr. Brett Lee is a resident but not ordinarily resident during the previous year 2019-20 relevant to the assessment year 2020-21.

b) Same as above

Q 3

(a) During the P.Y. 2019-20, Mr. E has stayed in India for 245 days (i.e. 30+31+30+31+31+30+31+30+1 days). Therefore, he is a resident. However, since he has come to India after 15 years, he does not satisfy any of the conditions for being ordinarily resident.

Therefore, the residential status of Mr. E for the P.Y. 2019-20 is resident but not ordinarily resident.

(b) Since the business of the HUF is transacted from Australia and nothing is mentioned regarding its control and management, it is assumed that the control and management is also wholly outside India. Therefore, the HUF is a non-resident for the P.Y. 2019-20.

Q 4

Computation of Income from house property of Mr. Anirudh for A.Y. 2020-21

| Particulars | | Amount in ` | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Compu | tation of GAV | | |
| Step 1 | Compute ER | | |
| | ER = Higher of MV of 1,30,000 p.a. and FR of 1,10,000 p.a., but restricted to SR of 1,20,000 p.a. | 1,20,000 | |
| Step 2 | Compute actual rent received/receivable | | |
| | Actual rent received/ receivable less unrealized rent as per Rule 4 = `1,32,000 - `11,000 | 1,21,000 | |
| Step 3 | Compare ER of ` 1,20,000 and Actual rent received/receivable of ` 1,21,000 | | |
| Step 4 | GAV is the higher of ER and Actual rent received/receivable | 1,21,000 | |
| Gross A | Annual Value (GAV) | | 1,21,000 |
| Less: | Municipal taxes (paid by the owner during the previous year) = 10% of ` 1,30,000 | | 13,000 |
| Net Ani | nual Value (NAV) | | 1,08,000 |
| Less: | Deductions under section 24 | | |
| | (a) 30% of NAV | 32,400 | |
| | (b) Interest on borrowed capital (actual without any ceiling limit) | 40,000 | 72,400 |
| Income | from house property | | 35,600 |

Computation of income from house property of Smt. Poorna for A.Y. 2020-21

| Particulars | Amount ` |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Annual Value of house used for self-occupation under section 23(2) | Nil |
| Less: Deduction under section 24 | |
| Interest on borrowed capital | |
| Interest on loan was taken for construction of house on or | |
| after 1.4.99 and same was completed within the prescribed time - interest paid or payable subject to a maximum of `2,00,000 (including apportioned preconstruction interest) will be allowed as deduction. | |
| In this case the total interest is `1,80,000 + `72,000 | |
| (Being $1/5$ th of `3,60,000) = `2,52,000. However, the interest deduction is restricted to `2,00,000. | 2,00,000 |

Q 6

Loss from house property

Let us first calculate the income from each house property assuming that they are deemed to be let out.

(2,00,000)

Computation of income from house property of Ganesh for the A.Y. 2020-21

| Particulars | Amount in ` | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| | House I | House II | House III |
| Gross Annual Value (GAV) | | | |
| ER is the GAV of house property | | | |
| ER = Higher of MV and FR, but restricted to SR | 3,50,000 | 3,60,000 | 3,75,000 |
| Less: Municipal taxes (paid by the owner during the previous year) | 36,000 | 28,800 | 19,800 |
| Net Annual Value (NAV) | 3,14,000 | 3,31,200 | 3,55,200 |
| Less: Deductions under section 24 | | | |
| (a) 30% of NAV | 94,200 | 99,360 | 1,06,560 |
| (b) Interest on borrowed capital | - | 55,000 | 1,75,000 |
| Income from house property | 2,19,800 | 1,76,840 | 73,640 |

Ganesh can opt to treat any two of the above house properties as self-occupied.

OPTION 1 (House I and II— self-occupied and House III — deemed to be let out)

If House I and II are opted to be self-occupied, the income from house property shall be –

| Particulars | Amount in ` |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| House I (Self-occupied) | Nil |
| House II (Self-occupied) (interest deduction restricted to `30,000) | (30,000) |
| House III (Deemed to be let-out) | 73,640 |
| Income from house property | 43,640 |

OPTION 2 (House I and III – self-occupied and House II – deemed to be let out)

If House I and III are opted to be self-occupied, the income from house property shall be –

| Particulars | Amount in ` |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| House I (Self-occupied) | Nil |
| House II (Deemed to be let-out) | 1,76,840 |
| House III (Self-occupied) | (1,75,000) |
| Income from house property | 1,840 |

OPTION 3 (House II and III – self-occupied and House I – deemed to be let out)

If House II and III are opted to be self-occupied, the income from house property shall be –

| Particulars | | Amount in ` |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| House I (Deemed to be let-out) | | 2,19,800 |
| House II (Self-occupied) (interest deduction restricted to `30,000) | (30,000) | |
| House III (Self-occupied) | (1,75,000) | |
| (Total interest deduction restricted to `2,00,000) | | (2,00,000) |
| Income from house property | | 19,800 |

Since Option 2 is most beneficial, Ganesh should opt to treat House I and III as self-occupied and House II as deemed to be let out. His income from house property would be ` 1,840 for the A.Y.2020-21.

Q 7

| Particulars | Resident & Ordinarily resident | Resident but not ordinarily resident | Non-resident |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Salary received in India from a former employer of UK | 1,40,000 | 1,40,000 | 1,40,000 |
| Income from tea business in Nepal being controlled from India | 10,000 | 10,000 | Nil |
| Interest on company deposit in Canada - - 1/3rd received in India | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| - 2/3rd received outside India | 20,000 | Nil | Nil |
| Profit from a business in Mumbai controlled from UK | 1,00,000 | 1,00,000 | 1,00,000 |
| Past Profit from a business in Tokyo remitted to India | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Income from a property in India but received in USA | 45,000 | 45,000 | 45,000 |
| Income from a property in London but received in Delhi | 1,50,000 | 1,50,000 | 1,50,000 |
| Income from a property in London but received in Canada | 2,50,000 | Nil | Nil |
| Income from a business in Jambia but controlled from Turkey | 10,000 | Nil | Nil |
| Income liable to tax in India | 7,35,000 | 4,55,000 | 4,45,000 |

Q 8

- a) i) Previous Year
- b) iv) All the assesses.

Q 9

- a) False
- b) True
- c) True
- d) False
- e) True