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CA and Tax Professional Colleagues,

On behalf of CAAS with utmost responsibility we are saying the following:

- (a) **Firstly, CAAS petition is not for seeking extension of any due date.** It is only prayed in the petition for non-levy of interest, penalty, etc because of technical glitches of the portal. Since the counsel for CBDT was seeking more time to reply and denying the requirement for an urgent hearing of the matter on the portal issues, our Advocate Dr. Poddar pointed out TAR upload issue w.r.t. UDIN which is an urgent requirement, and thus requested the Hon'ble Court that as an interim relief if TAR upload date be extended to 15.02.2022, citing that TAR will not affect the revenue of Government.

Please note Hon'ble Gujarat High Court has not declined this prayer. The Court said they are not inclined at this point in time and that they will impress upon the respondents to file their reply and bring that on record.

- (b) CAAS is association names as Chartered Accountants Association Surat but it is having members from all the states therefore it is not that the CAs of Surat are only concerned.
- (c) The Hon'ble Gujarat High Court has noted the following:

"We on again impress upon the respondents to attend to the technical glitches which are being experienced in the portal at the earliest. Portal is something which is within the control of the respondents and if there are any technical problems in the same, it only the respondents who can take care of such problems.

The further progress in the matter w.r.t. the technical glitches shall be reported to us on the next date of hearing."

- (d) We are positive in the outcome of the petition during the next hearing for the glitchy portal, for which we have already submitted variety of portal glitches screenshots before the court.

Team CAAS