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To All Affiliate Circle Associations:

PAYMENT OF TAX ON PERQUISITE VALUE OF STAFF LOANS.

We have today sent a request letter to the DMD & CDO on the captioned subject for kind consideration. We shall revert back on receipt of response from the Bank.

With Greetings

G.D. NADAF
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The Dy. Managing Director (HR) &
Corporate Development Officer,
State Bank of India,
Corporate Centre,
Madame Cama Road,
MUMBAI 400021

Dear Sir,

Reg: Hardship faced by certain pensioners in availing the benefit of Bank bearing income tax on perquisite value of Staff Housing Loan, Staff Car Loan & Staff Education Loan for the year 2026–27

At the outset, we express our sincere gratitude to the Bank for its considerate decision to bear the income tax on the perquisite value of eligible Staff Housing Loans, Staff Car Loans and Staff Education Loans **for the year 2026–27**. This employee- and pensioner-friendly measure reflects the Bank's continuing concern for the welfare of its serving and retired employees and has been widely appreciated.

2. In this connection, we wish to bring to your kind attention a genuine hardship being experienced by certain pensioner members in relation to availing the above benefit, particularly on account of non-submission of Investment Declaration Form (IDF) for the financial year 2025–26.

3. It has been brought to our notice that some pensioners did not submit the Investment Declaration Form (IDF) for the financial year 2025–26 under a bona fide impression that a separate declaration may not be necessary, since their staff loan accounts, deposit accounts and other banking relationships are maintained with SBI itself. They genuinely believed that the relevant financial particulars already available within the Bank's systems would be duly considered while arriving at taxable income and determining eligibility for the perquisite tax benefit.

4. It is pertinent to mention that the Bank has calculated the perquisite value on concessional loans on its own based on the data available in its systems, including staff loan details maintained by the Bank. This establishes that the required loan information was already available with SBI and was used for computation of perquisite value.

5. Similarly, the pensioners' deposit accounts are also maintained with SBI, and the details of interest paid/accrued on such deposits are available in the Bank's records and are also reflected through tax information systems such as Form 26AS/AIS wherever applicable. Pensioners were therefore under a bona fide impression that the information available within the Bank's systems would be considered while determining taxable income and eligibility for the Bank bearing the perquisite tax.

6. The issue has arisen only because such income details were not separately captured through IDF. There was no suppression of income or withholding of any information, as the relevant particulars were otherwise available and traceable from the Bank's own records and systems.

7. By way of illustration, in one such case brought to our notice, after transition to the New Tax Regime, the taxable income exceeded ₹12.75 lakhs. The perquisite value reflected was around ₹2,62,000/-, resulting in an unexpected financial burden due to loss of eligibility for the Bank bearing the perquisite tax.

8. It may kindly be appreciated that the matter has come to notice before the due date for filing Income Tax Returns for FY 2025–26 (AY 2026–27), i.e., 31.07.2026 for individual taxpayers. Hence, there is still an opportunity to examine suitable corrective measures and extend the intended benefit/relief announced by the Bank to the affected pensioners, so that they are not deprived of the benefit due to a procedural omission.

9. Retired employees have continued their association with SBI not merely out of loyalty, but out of deep-rooted trust built over years of service. The present hardship has arisen from that very trust — that the Bank would duly consider information already available within its systems — rather than from any deliberate omission or negligence.

10. We request your good self to kindly consider the request sympathetically and grant suitable relief, including a corrective mechanism / one-time relaxation for affected pensioners wherever the required information is available in the Bank's records and tax systems.

11.Alternately, on production of proof of payment of tax on such perquisite value by the individual pensioners, as a one-time measure, such tax may please be reimbursed to them.

With regards,

Yours faithfully,

G.D. NADAF
General Secretary