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Shri Narendra Modi,
Prime Minister of India,
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Dear Prime Minister:

I am happy to learn from the media that you have taken a review meeting of Finance Ministry officials on the question of GST/GSTN implementation. As you may now be aware, the GSTN which is a data processing and tax revenue collecting private ltd. company which was never security cleared by the Home Ministry which clearance is mandatory required.

I strongly urge you therefore to direct the complete stay of all operations of the presently constituted GSTN, and that it remains inoperational till it is restructured according to our national interest and after security certification by the Home Ministry.

I find that some Finance Ministry civil servants as well as the illegally appointed person-designated as the Chairman of the GSTN, are telling the press that the GSTN as presently constituted will continue without any hindrance.

Hence I am urging you to order the stay all operations of the present GSTN for the following reasons:

- (1) It is illegal because it never obtained security clearance from the Home Ministry which is mandatory.
- (2) It is dominated by not only by private institutions to hold majority shares in the GSTN Private Ltd. Co. but also these private institutions are controlled by foreign shareholders. For example,

ICICI and HDFC share holding are near about 65% to 80% owned by foreigners. In effect GSTN is foreign controlled and hence needs to be restructured.

- (3) The CAG has not been allowed for audit of the financial transactions of the GSTN which will, when GST becomes operational, run into lakhs of crores rupees. Hence there is a reckless disregard of the use of public funds to benefit the private shareholders and employees. The CEO of the GSTN for example gets an annual salary of over Rs. 1 crore, HRA of Rs.1 lakh, free car/travel, telephone, wifi network at home, club membership, medical reimbursement, ITA etc. and performance linked incentive bonus upto 50% of the basic salary plus DA. Never in the history of any Government has any official got this level of remuneration and considering too that this is for performing routine work of data processing. I am annexing a document of the Finance Ministry to support this view of reckless spending.
- (4) The Indian Revenue Service Association has unanimously resolved that the GSTN is a facility which can be duplicated by the experience of the Finance Ministry's data processing of income tax receipts and with much greater experience and efficiency by the CBEC. The computer programming supposedly done by the GSTN has now been out-sourced to Infosys, at a huge payment of Rs. 600 crores (of which almost Rs.400 crores have already been paid to the Infosys). Incidentally, the then Minister of State for Finance, Mr. Jayant Sinha's wife was made a Director of the Infosys just after the contract was signed.
- (5) The data obtained by private parties and foreigners share holders of the indirect tax dues and payment of Indian tax payers as well as the details of travel from the point of manufacturing to the point of sale will help private parties to rig national stock exchange outcomes. That is why the decision to create a Subsidiary of the National Stock Exchange headed by Mr. Ravi Narayan, a corrupt crony of Mr. P. Chidambaram, and permit this subsidiary to hold 10% shares of GSTN. This is tantamount to legitimising the offence of inside trading.