

# Quess Corp Limited - Communication regarding deduction of tax at source on the Final Dividend declared for the Financial Year 2024-25

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## QUESS CORP LIMITED

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Name of the shareholder: XXXX

Folio No.: XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Dear Shareholder,

### **Subject: Communication regarding deduction of tax at source on the Final Dividend declared for the Financial Year 2024-25**

We are pleased to inform you that the Board of Directors at their Meeting held on May 19, 2025 have recommended a final dividend of Rs. 6/- per equity share at the rate of 60% of the face value of Rs. 10/- each for the Financial Year ended March 31, 2025. The record date fixed for the purpose of determining the entitlement of the members for the final dividend is Friday, August 08, 2025. The final dividend, once approved by the shareholders at the ensuing 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company, will be paid within the prescribed period of 30 (thirty) days from the date of the AGM.

As per the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961 ('the Act'), as amended from time to time, dividends paid or distributed by a Company on or after April 01, 2020, shall be taxable in the hands of the shareholders. The Company shall therefore be required to deduct tax at source (TDS) at the time of making the payment of the said Dividend at the prescribed rates.

The TDS rates may vary depending on the residential status of the shareholder and the documents submitted by them and accepted by the Company in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The brief of applicable TDS for various categories of shareholders, along with the required documents, is provided in the Table 1 and 2 below:

**Table 1: Resident Shareholders:**

Category of Shareholder	Tax Deduction Rate	Exemption Applicability/ Documents required
Any resident shareholder (With PAN)	As per Section 194 of the Act - 10%	Update/Verify the PAN, and the residential status as per the Act if not already done, with the depositories (in case of shares held in dematerialized form) and with the Company's Registrar and Transfer Agents – MUFG Intime India Private Limited (in case of shares held in physical form).

Category of Shareholder	Tax Deduction Rate	Exemption Applicability/ Documents required
		Shareholders who are required to link their Aadhar number with PAN as required under section 139AA read with Rule 114AAA of the Income Tax Rules, 1962, should compulsorily link the same. If, as required under the law, PAN is not linked with Aadhar, then such PAN will be considered “inoperative” and TDS shall be deducted at a higher rate as specified under section 206AA of the Act.
<b>No deduction of taxes in the following cases –</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If aggregate dividend income to a resident Individual shareholder during FY 2025-26 does not exceed INR 10,000/-</li> <li>If the shareholder is exempted from TDS provisions through any circular or notification and provides an attested copy of the PAN along with the documentary evidence in relation to the same.</li> </ul>		
Submitting Form 15G / Form 15H	NIL	Eligible Shareholder providing Form 15G ( <a href="#">Annexure 1a</a> ) (applicable to any person other than a Company or a Firm) / Form 15H ( <a href="#">Annexure 1b</a> ) (applicable to an Individual above the age of 60 years) - on fulfilment of prescribed conditions. PAN is mandatory to provide Form 15G/15H.
Certificate under Section 197 of the Act	Rate provided in the Certificate	Self-attested copy of Lower/NIL withholding tax certificate obtained from Income Tax authorities.
Insurance Companies: Public & Other Insurance Companies	NIL	Self-declaration that it has full beneficial interest with respect to shares owned, along with a self-attested copy of PAN card and registration certificate ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Corporation established by or under a Central Act which is, under any law for the time being in force, exempt from income- tax on its income	NIL	Documentary evidence that the person is covered under Section 196 of the Act. ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Mutual Funds	NIL	Self-declaration that they are specified in Section 10 (23D) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 along with self- attested copy of PAN card and registration certificate ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) established in India	NIL	Documentary evidence that the person is covered by Notification No. 51/2015 dated 25 June 2015 (OR) Self declaration that its income is exempt under Section 10 (23FBA) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and they are governed by SEBI regulations as Category I or Category II AIF along with self-attested copy of the PAN card and registration certificate ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Recognized Provident Fund	NIL	Self-attested copy of a valid order from Commissioner under Rule 3 of Part A of Fourth Schedule to the Act, or self-attested valid documentary evidence (e.g. relevant copy of registration, notification, order, etc.) in support of the provident fund being established under a scheme framed under the Employees Provident Funds Act, 1952 needs to be submitted. ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Approved Superannuation Fund	NIL	Self-attested copy of valid approval granted by the Commissioner needs to be submitted:
Approved Gratuity Fund	NIL	a) under Rule 2 of Part B of Fourth Schedule to the Act (In case of Approved Superannuation Fund)
National Pension Scheme Trust	NIL	b) under Rule 2 of Part C of Fourth Schedule to the Act (In case of Approved Gratuity Fund) ( <a href="#">Annexure 2</a> )
Other resident shareholder without PAN/ Invalid PAN/ inoperative PAN	20%	As per Section 206AA of the Act

**Please Note that:**

1. Recording of the valid Permanent Account Number (PAN) for the registered Folio/DP ID-Client ID is mandatory. In the absence of a valid PAN or in case of an inoperative PAN, tax will be deducted at a higher rate of 20% as per Section 206AA of the Act.
2. The Shareholders holding shares under multiple accounts under different status / category and a single PAN, may note that, higher of the tax as applicable to the status in which shares are held under a PAN will be considered on their entire holding in different accounts.

**Table 2: Non-resident Shareholders**

Category of shareholder	Tax Deduction Rate	Exemption Applicability/ Documents required
Any non-resident shareholder [other than Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs) / Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs)]	As per Section 195 of the Act - 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) subject to the applicable Treaty rate	<p>Non-resident shareholders may opt for the tax rate under the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement ('Tax Treaty') read with Multilateral Instrument ('MLI') provisions. The Tax Treaty rate shall be applied for tax deduction at source on submission of the following documents to the Company:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-attested Copy of the PAN Card.</li> <li>• Self-attested copy of Tax Residency Certificate (TRC) valid <b>for the FY 2025-26 or for the calendar year 2025</b> obtained from the tax authorities of the Country in which the shareholder is resident.</li> <li>• Electronically furnished Form 10F and its acknowledgement from the Income Tax portal. In the absence of this form, relief under the tax treaty will be denied. Note: The Central Board of Direct Taxes ('CBDT') vide Notification No. 3/2022 dated 16 July 2022 has added the Form 10F to the prescribed list of forms to be furnished electronically. Accordingly, for claiming treaty benefits, Form 10F needs to be furnished to the revenue authorities at Income-tax Department's e-filing portal.</li> <li>• Self-declaration confirming not having a Permanent Establishment in India, eligibility to Tax Treaty benefit read with MLI provision, if any, and does not / will not have a place of effective management in India. (<a href="#">Annexure 3</a>)</li> <li>• Declaration to establish the genuineness of applicability of treaty provisions, including provisions of General Anti-Avoidance Rules and Multilateral Instruments, if any (<a href="#">Annexure 4</a>)</li> </ul> <p><b>Tax shall be deducted at 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) if any of the above-mentioned documents are not provided.</b></p>
FIIs / FPIs	Section 196D of the Act - 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) subject to applicable Treaty rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For treaty relief as per the amended provisions of Section 196D of the Act, kindly provide all documents as stated above else tax shall be deducted at 20% (plus applicable surcharge and cess) if any of the above-mentioned documents are not provided.</li> <li>• Update/Verify the PAN and legal entity status as per the Act, if not already done, with the depositories or with the Company's Registrar and Transfer Agent ("RTA"), as the case may be</li> <li>• Provide declaration whether the investment in shares has been made under the general FDI route or under the FPI route</li> </ul>

Category of shareholder	Tax Deduction Rate	Exemption Applicability/ Documents required
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-attested copy of SEBI Registration certificate</li> </ul>
Submitting Certificate under Section 195 /197 of the Act	Rate provided in the Order	Self-attested copy of Lower/NIL withholding tax certificate obtained from the Income Tax authorities

**Please Note that:**

1. The Shareholders holding shares under multiple accounts under different status / category and a single PAN may note that, higher of the tax as applicable to the status in which shares are held under a PAN will be considered on their entire holding in different accounts.

2. Kindly note that the Company is not obligated to apply beneficial tax treaty rates, read with the MLI provision, at the time of tax deduction / withholding on dividend amounts. The application of the beneficial rate of tax treaty for the purpose of withholding taxes shall depend upon the completeness and satisfactory review by the Company of the documents submitted by the non-resident shareholder.

- i. To view / download Annexure 1a Form 15G [click here](#).
- ii. To view / download Annexure 1b Form 15H [click here](#).
- iii. To view / download Annexure 2 Resident Tax Declaration, [click here](#).
- iv. To view/download Annexure 3 Letter in case a Foreign Company has no Permanent Establishment in India and Place of Effective management in India, [click here](#).
- v. To view / download Annexure 4 Self-declaration for claiming beneficial provisions of Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement, [click here](#).
- vi. If the dividend income is taxable in the hands of any person other than the recipient of the dividend, then the requisite details by way of a declaration under section 199 of the Act and Rule 37BA of the Income-tax Rules, 1962 should be provided in Annexure 5, [click here](#).

Kindly note that the aforesaid documents, as explained in the Tables 1 and 2 above, are required to be uploaded on the portal of the RTA at <https://web.in.mpms.mufg.com/formsreg/submission-of-form-15g-15h.html> on or before **August 08, 2025, 05:00 P.M. (IST)** in order to enable the Company to determine and deduct appropriate TDS / withholding tax rate.

No communication/documents on the tax determination/deduction shall be considered after **August 08, 2025, 5:00 P.M. (IST)**. It is advisable to upload the documents at the earliest to enable the Company to collate the documents to determine the appropriate TDS rates. The e-mail communication in this regard to RTA or the Company shall not be considered.

It may be further noted that in case the tax on said final dividend is deducted at a higher rate in the absence of receipt of the aforementioned details/documents from you, there would still be an option available with you to file the return of income and claim an appropriate refund, if eligible.

**THE AFOREMENTIONED DETAILS/DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE ABOVE LINK SHALL ONLY BE CONSIDERED. THE E-MAIL COMMUNICATION IN THIS REGARD SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

No claim shall lie against the Company for such taxes deducted.

In the event of any income tax demand (including interest, penalty, etc.) arising from any misrepresentation, inaccuracy or omission of information provided / to be provided by the Shareholder(s), such Shareholder(s) will be responsible to indemnify the Company and also, provide the Company with all information/documents and co-operation in any appellate proceedings.

The Company will arrange to e-mail a soft copy of the TDS certificate to the shareholders' registered email ID in due course, post payment of the said dividend. Shareholders may also request a copy of the TDS certificate, which will be provided upon such request. Shareholders will also be able to see the credit of TDS in Form 26AS, which can be downloaded from their e-filing account at <https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal>.

The above communication on TDS sets out the provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1961, as applicable in a summary manner only and does not purport to be a complete analysis or listing of all potential tax consequences.

Shareholders are requested to consult with their own tax advisors for the tax provisions that may be applicable to them.

**Updation of bank account details:**

Shareholders are requested to ensure that their bank account details in their respective demat accounts are updated, to enable the Company to make timely credit of dividends in their bank accounts.

Members may note that as per Master Circular dated June 23, 2025, read with any other amendments therein, issued by the SEBI, the Members who hold shares in physical form and whose folios are not updated with any of the KYC details [viz., (i) PAN (ii) Contact Details (iii) Mobile Number (iv) Bank Account Details and (v) Signature], shall be eligible to get dividend only in electronic mode, subject to updation of the above details in their folios.

We would request you to comply with the above requirements at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

**For Qness Corp Limited**

**Sd/-**

**Kundan K Lal**

**Company Secretary & Compliance Officer**

**Membership No.: F8393**

Disclaimer: This communication shall not be treated as advice from the Company or its Registrar & Transfer Agent. Shareholders should obtain tax advice related to their tax matters from a tax professional.

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