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To,

Shri D.D. Verma
Principal Secretary
Commercial Tax, U.P.
Lucknow.

Sub:- Safeguards for preventing misuse of Form-38.

Indian Industries Association (IIA) hails the move to make Form-38 available On-Line for bona-fide registered dealers.

We are thankful to you for accepting our request. However the system of making these forms available on line as introduced by the department needs lot of improvement. The present system lacks severely on security of dealers personal accounts on the website especially for those who have not used the system as yet and have not changed their passwords.

While attending a workshop organized by office of Commissioner commercial Tax U.P. on 20th July 2009 on availability of Form 38 online, I on behalf of IIA submitted several suggestions to improve the systems. We were given the assurance in this workshop that our suggestions will be implemented by 21st July 2009. However, it has not been done so far. As such this system of availability of form 38 is more dangerous then not having the form 38.

We therefore submit that the system of availability of form-38 online may be stayed till adequate security features are not provided in it. We also suggest that further discussions with the users may be held to make the system foolproof and it should be implemented only after that.

Thanking you.

Yours Truly,

Rajat Mehra
Chairman
VAT Committee of IIA.

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