

Advisory to file pending returns before expiry of three years

Sep 9th, 2025

As per the Finance Act, 2023 (8 of 2023), dt. 31-03-2023, implemented w.e.f 01-10-2023 vide Notification No. 28/2023 – Central Tax dated 31st July, 2023, the taxpayers shall not be allowed to file their GST returns after the expiry of a period of three years from the due date of furnishing the said return under Section 37 (Outward Supply), Section 39 (payment of liability), Section 44 (Annual Return) and Section 52 (Tax Collected at Source). These Sections cover GSTR-1, GSTR-1A, GSTR-3B, GSTR-4, GSTR-5, GSTR-5A, GSTR-6, GSTR-7, GSTR-8 and GSTR-9 or 9C.

Hence, above mentioned returns will be barred for filing after expiry of three years. The said restriction will be implemented on the GST portal from September 2025 Tax period. Which means any return for which due date was three years back or more and hasn't been filed till September Tax period will be barred from filing. In this regard an advisory was already issued by GSTN on [29th October, 2024](#)

Illustration : For ease of reference and better clarity, the latest GST returns that will be barred from filing w.e.f 1st October 2025 are detailed in the table below:

GST Forms	Barred Period (w.e.f. 1st October, 2025)
GSTR-1/IFF	August-2022
GSTR-1Q	April-June 2022
GSTR-3B/M	August-2022
GSTR-3BQ	April-June 2022
GSTR-4	FY 2021-22
GSTR-5	August-2022
GSTR-6	August-2022
GSTR-7	August-2022
GSTR-8	August-2022
GSTR-9/9C	FY 2020-21

Hence, the taxpayers are once again advised to reconcile their records and file their GST Returns as soon as possible if not filed till now.

Thanking You,
Team GSTN