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2.7% in December 2020.

Field Units Asked to Identify Top GST Defaulters



MEW DELHI Goods and service tax (GST) authorities have asked field units to identify top taxpayers, find the defaulters and push them to pay

more tax. Officers have been directed to call up the top 200 return defaulters for February belonging to the Central jurisdiction and ask them to file the tax returns. The directive, aimed at increasing revenue mobilisation for achieving annual targets for FY21, was issued earlier this week. "As we approach the end of the financial year, all-out efforts need to be made by ward authorities and zonal incharges," an office memorandum issued by Delhi state authority earlier this week said. ET has seen a copy of the memorandum. Similar directives have been issued in other jurisdictions across the country. Experts said that it being the last month of the fiscal year, revenue authorities across jurisdictions are working to garner as much revenue as possible to meet their targets. "Visits to premises, calls, email communications etc. are being undertaken by officers to ascertain shortfall in tax deposits. Also, regular non-filings, reconciliation differences, pending demands are being perused to ensure maximum collections" said Harpreet Singh, partner, KPMG India.