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# **GST THIS WEEK**

**TOP FOUR GST NEWS UPDATES THAT YOU MUST KNOW**

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## **GST Council may allow intra-state pharma cess, discuss States' dues**

The GST Council meeting on September 17, 2021, the first physical meeting in more than 20 months, will deliberate on levying the Covid Cess on pharmaceuticals and the power sector for intra-state supplies in Sikkim besides extending the states compensation period beyond 2022

[Source: Business Standard](#)





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## Food delivery apps like Zomato & Swiggy, and Cloud kitchens may face GST

The GST Council may deliberate on including food delivery apps such as Zomato and Swiggy within the ambit of restaurant services and make them liable to pay the tax. Cloud kitchens may also be included within the ambit and be charged a 5% GST, as per the recommendations that the Council could take up at its meeting

[Source: Economic Times](#)

## **GST should only be applied on platform fee of skill-based games**

Indiatech.org, an industry body representing tech start-ups has recommended to the Group of Ministers (panel of State ministers) constituted by the GST Council that GST should only be applied on the platform fee charged by online skill-based games and not on the total prize pool money

[Source: The Hindu Business Line](#)



## **GST hike from 5% to 12% to make solar projects unviable, say industry players**

The GST fitment committee's recommendation to raise the tax on solar modules from 5% to 12% has sent shockwaves across the renewable energy industry, as companies are worried that it would make a lot of projects unviable



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