

Income from House Property

(Section 22 to Section 27)

Concept 1: Basic Concept:

Concept 1.1] → Income from House property is taxable only when the following conditions are satisfied.

- ① There must be house property.
- ② Assessee must be the owner of house property.
- ③ Assessee must not use house property for his own business or profession.
- ④ The annual value of house property being held as stock in trade would be treated as NIL for a period of two years, from the end of the financial year in which certificate of completion of construction of the property is obtained from competent.

→ Explanation:

Builder constructed 10 offices.

completion certificate.

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September 22, PY-22-23

→ Sold 6 offices.

→ 4 offices are stock in trade.

∴ PY 23-24 - GAV NIL

PY 24-25 - GAV NIL

PY 25-26 - will be treated as DLO.

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DLO

Income from HP (after 2 yrs)

Notes:

- ① House property means building & building should be a permanent structure.
It cannot be a temporary structure.
- ② House rent received from letting out vacant plot of land (cannot be treated as HP) cannot be taxed under HP.
- ③ Rental income from subletting cannot be taxed under Income from House property.
It will be taxed under PGBP or IAS.
- ④ Property situated in foreign country shall be taxed similar to property situated in India.

Concept 1.2] Different types of property:

- Self occupied (SO)
Owner use property for his own residence.
- Let-out (LO)
Property which is given by the owner to the tenant for residential or commercial purpose on rent.
- Deemed Let-out (DLO)
So property more than two, will be treated as Deemed let out property.
DLO property are taxable.

Concept 1.3] As per section 22: Basis of charge

GAV

→ GAV of SO property is NIL.

→ However, as per income tax assessee

can treat only two houses as SO.

→ deduction under section 24b

(Interest on self borrowed capital) in

respect of two SO properties will

be limited to 200,000 / 30,000 as the

case may be. (ref. note: 2).

Concept 1.4] Computation of House property.

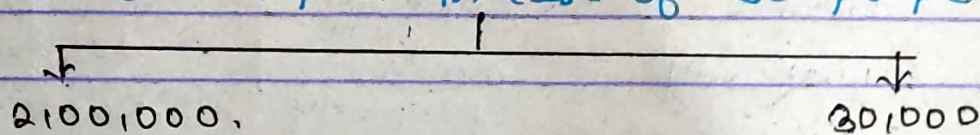
Particulars.	SO	LO	PLD.
Gross Annual value (GAV)	NIL	Step 1, 2, 3	Step 1.
(-) Municipal taxes.	NIL	XXX	XXX
Net Annual value (NAV).	NIL	XXX	XXX
(-) Deduction u/s 24.			
24a. Standard deduction; (30% of NAV).	NIL	XXX	XXX
24b. Interest on borrowed Capital.	Nil XXX*	XXX	XXX
Income from House property.	(XXX)	XXX.	XXX

Note:

① Interest on borrowed capital is allowed as deduction (24b) if loan is taken for:

- a) Purchase.
- b) Construction
- c) Reconstruction
- d) Repairs.
- e). Renovation.

② There is maximum ceiling for interest on borrowed capital in case of so property.



→ All 3 conditions should be satisfied.

→ Any other case.

① Loan taken on or after 1/4/1999.

② Loan taken for purchase or construction.

③ If loan is for construction, construction should be done within 5 years

Concept 2] Calculation of Gross Annual value (GAV)

Step 1: expected rent (ER)

Municipal valuation or fair rent
whichever is higher, subject to
Standard Rent.

MV or Fair Rent. $\uparrow$ subject to
standard Rent

Local Authority Levy Municipal Taxes $\downarrow$ Rent of Similar property $\downarrow$ Maximum limit decided by Rent Control Act.

Step 2: Actual Rent:

$\rightarrow$ Actual Basis.

Annual Rent Received /
Receivable

xx

(-) unrealised Rent for current year (xx)

(-) loss due to vacancy. (xx)

Step 2: Actual Rent

xx

Step 3: is applicable if.

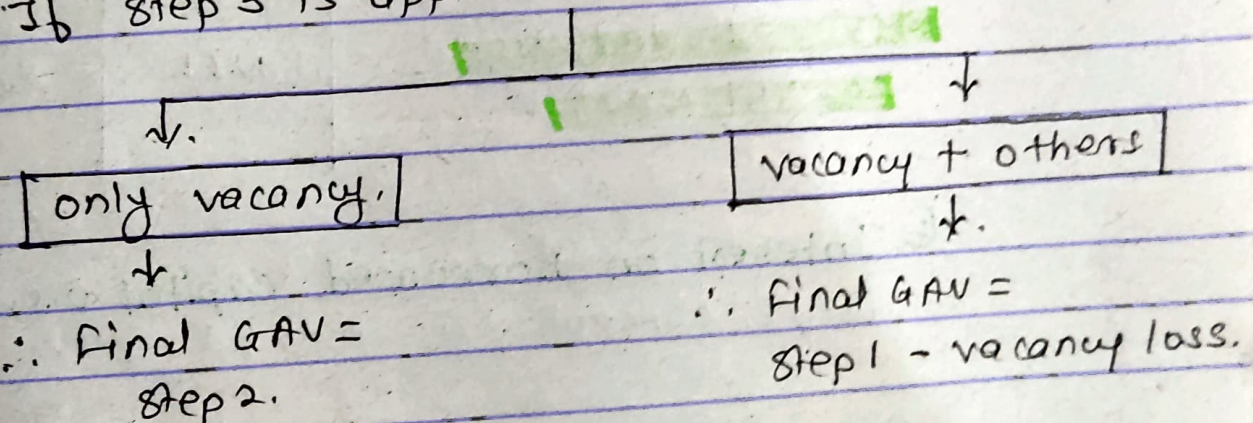
If applicable.

- ① Step 2 is less than Step 1. and:
- ② There is loss due to vacancy.

If Step 3 is not applicable.

→ Final GAV = Step 1 (or) Step 2 whichever is higher.

If Step 3 is applicable then find out reason.



Concept 3] Municipal Taxes.

- allowed only on payment basis.
- only when payment done by owner. XX.
- GAV (XX)

(-) Municipal Taxes.

(% of Municipal valuation).

NAV.

XX.

Concept 4] Deductions u/s 24.

① Standard deduction u/s 24(a)

→ 30% of NAV.

→ No standard deduction is available for SO property.

Particulars.	SO	LO/DLO.
NAV.	XXXNIL.	XX. ←
→ deduction u/s 24		30%.
<u>24(a) std. deduction</u> <u>(30% of NAV).</u>	NIL.	XX. →

② Interest on borrowed capital u/s 24(b) (ref: concept 1.4, note 1 & 2).

Pre-Construction Interest:

Calculation of pre-construction interest.

Step 1: Pre-construction period

Date of Taking loan. → Date of Repayment.
OR
31st March immediately preceding completion of construction, whichever is earlier.

Step 2: pre-construction int.

Loan Amt $\times$ % given $\times$ pre construction period.

Step 3: Income tax allowable preconstruction interest. = Total pre-construction int.
5 yrs.

$\therefore$ Total deduction = Step 3 + int. for current
yrs 24(b) for years.
current years.

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Subject to limits.

(Refer concept 1.4, note 1 & 2)

Particulars	SO	LO/DLO.
NAN	NIL	XX.
(-) deduction u/s 24		
24(a) std. deduction,	NIL.	XX.
24(b) Int. on borrowed capital,	(XXX) Subject to limit.	XX.

Concept 5] Other points:

- HP - a part is LO & other part is SO, then income will be computed separately.
- HP - let out for period & SO for period treat it as a LO.
- Resident and ordinary resident, their global income is taxed in India.
- House property situated in foreign country is taxable in India, in case of R-OR.
- Sometimes notional income is taxed insted of real income. (refer concept 1.1 + point 4.)

Concept 6] Exceptions: when income will not be taxed under income from HP.

- ① In case of composite rent, the letting out property is inseparable. (refer concept 11.)
- ② If the letting out property is incidental or subservient to the business then the income shall be taxed under PGBP.
↳ letting out is done as a regular business.

Concept 7] Cases when GAV of HP is NIL

- ① self occupied.
- ② A HO property which is vacant for 12 months
- ③ When a house property is not occupied due to business or employment.
- ④ Any property is held as stock in trade. (ref: concept 1.1 → point ④).

Concept 8] Loss from house property.

The house property loss of the current year can be set off against any head of income. only up to 200,000/- & balance shall be carried forward.

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Concept 9] Assesses of Rent / unrealised Rent.

- ① Both will be chargeable to tax in the year of receipt / realised.
- ② Irrespective of whether the assessee is or is not the owner of house property.
- ③ 30% standard deduction is available from both.

Concept 10] property owned by co-owner

a] If a property is owned by two or more persons.

This is applicable if following conditions are satisfied.

- owned by two or more persons.
- respective shares are definite and ascertainable.

b] If both conditions are satisfied then share of each co-owner in the income of property shall be included in the total income of each co-owner.

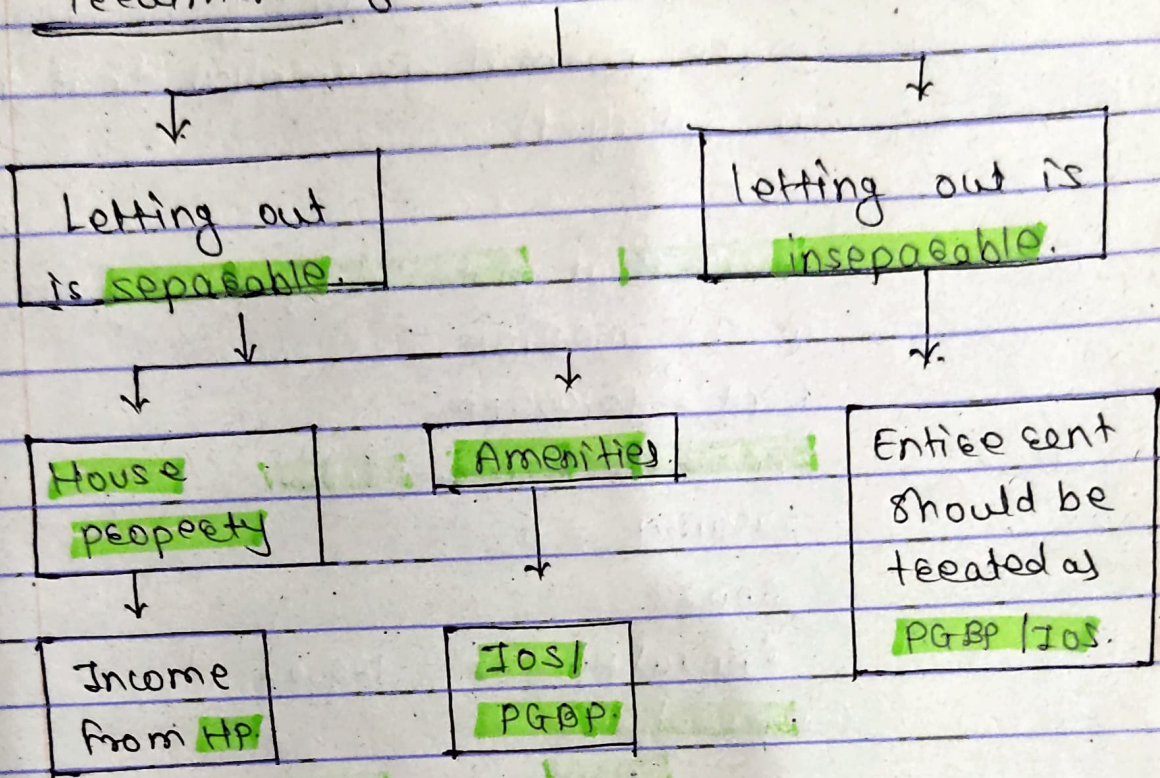
Concept 11] Composite Rent.

Rent for
the
Building

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Rent for facilities
like lift, furniture
& other assets

Treatment of Composite Rent.



Concept 12] Conditions of Rule 4.

The following conditions of rule 4 are satisfied then unrealized rent will be treated as a deduction while calculating step 2.

- ① Tenancy is a bonafide.
- ② The defaulting tenant has vacated the property.
- ③ He does not occupy any other property of the assessee.
- ④ Legal action has been initiated or assessee can convince the AO that taking legal action is of no use.

Question

① Unrealised rent deduct from step 2
(make normal assumption that rule 4 is satisfied)

② Rule 4 is not satisfied is given in the question.

Rent = 10,000 pm.

Unrealised rent = 15,000.

vacancy = 0.

∴ Step 2:

Annual Rent = 120,000

(-) Unrealised

Rent

=

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(-) vacancy

=

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120,000

Concept 13] Deemed Owner

① Transferee to spouse:

The transferee is deemed to be the owner of property.

Exception → Live apart, Then transferee will be the owner.

② Transferee to minor child:

The transferee is deemed to be the owner of house property.

Exception → minor married daughters, the transferee is not be deemed to be the owner.

③ Holder of immoveable estate:

The holder of immoveable estate shall be deemed to be the individual owner of all properties comprised in the estate.

④ Person having right in property for a period not less than 12 yrs:

A person who acquires any rights by way of lease for not less than 12 yrs, shall be deemed to be owner of that building.