

**IN THE INCOME TAX APPELLATE TRIBUNAL
AGRABENCH 'SMC': AGRA.**

**BEFORE SHRIS.RIFAUR RAHMAN, ACCOUNTANT MEMBER
and
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH, JUDICIAL MEMBER**

**ITA No.364/AGR/2025
(Assessment Year: 2015-16)**

**ITA No.365/AGR/2025
(Assessment Year: 2016-17)**

Neetu Maheshwari,
5, Jawahar Nagar Colony,
Bye Pass Road,
Agra – 282 005 (Uttar Pradesh).

vs.

JAO, Ward 1(1)(2),
Agra.

(PAN : AEYPM9985J)

(APPELLANT)

(RESPONDENT)

ASSESSEE BY : Shri Rakesh Jain, CA

REVENUE BY : Shri Shailendra Srivastava, Sr.DR

Date of Hearing : 15.10.2025

Date of Order : 28.10.2025

ORDER

PER S. RIFAUR RAHMAN, AM :

1. These appeals are filed by the assessee against the order of the learned Commissioner of Income-tax (Appeals)/National Faceless Appeal Centre (NFAC), Delhi [for short 'ld. CIT (A)] dated 27.06.2025 for Assessment Years 2015-16 & 2016-17.

2. At the time of hearing, ld. AR for the assessee brought to our notice that the ld. CIT (A) decided the issue against the assessee by observing that assessee has not pursued the appeals despite being granted several opportunities and the details are given in the first appellate order and by relying on several decisions, he dismissed the appeal in limine. He submitted that ld. CIT (A) has not decided the issue on merit and prayed that this issue may be remitted back to the ld. CIT(A) with the prayer to give an opportunity of being heard to the assessee. He submitted that there are reasons for assessee for not appearing before the first appellate authority.
3. On the other hand, ld. DR for the Revenue objected to the submissions of the ld. counsel for the assessee and submitted that assessee has not utilized several opportunities granted by ld. CIT (A).
4. Considered the rival submissions and material placed on record. We observe that the addition was sustained by the ld. CIT (A) simply relying on the order of the AO ex-parte. In our considered view and in the interest of justice, we are of the opinion that assessee should be given one more opportunity of being heard on merit. Therefore, we restore the matter to the file of ld. CIT (A) and direct to decide the issue on merit as

per law, after giving adequate opportunity of being heard to the assessee.

We also direct assessee to make proper submissions and appear before the Id.CIT (A) on the date of hearing and cooperate with the tax authorities. Accordingly, the appeals filed by the assessee are allowed for statistical purposes.

5. In the result, the appeals filed by the assessee are allowed for statistical purposes.

Order pronounced in the open court on this day of 28th October, 2025.

**Sd/-
(SUNIL KUMAR SINGH)
JUDICIAL MEMBER**

**sd/-
(S.RIFAUR RAHMAN)
ACCOUNTANT MEMBER**

**Dated: 28.10.2025
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2. Respondent
3. CIT
4. CIT(Appeals).
5. DR: ITAT

**ASSISTANT REGISTRAR
ITAT, NEW DELHI**