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India

Social Security Agreement with Hungary Made Effective

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The social security agreement between India and Hungary (SSA) signed in February 2010,¹ was brought into effect by the Government of India with a notification dated July 25, 2013,² effective retroactively to April 1, 2013.

The SSA allows detachment up to a period of five (5) years, i.e., an employee of either India or Hungary, assigned by the employer to the other country on short term assignment, is exempt from making social security contributions in the host country for a period of up to five years.

As noted in earlier articles on this topic, social security agreements between India and certain other countries including Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Denmark, Korea and Netherlands are already operative. Similar agreements with countries including Czech Republic, Norway, Finland, Canada, Japan, Sweden and Austria, are yet to be notified by the Government of India.

¹<http://pib.nic.in/newsite/erelease.aspx?relid=57613>

²www.epfindia.gov.in/Circulars/Y2013-14/IWU_SSA_Hungary_9829.pdf