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Taxation Determination

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1. No. Subparagraph 78(1)(a)(xxvii) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* does not expressly confine a public library, a public museum, or a public art gallery, in the use to which it puts deductible donations, to expenditure on the building in which the library, museum or art gallery is housed.

2. Donations may be used by the public library, public museum or public art gallery, as the case may be, for any purpose within the scope of the objects for which it is established e.g. to pay employees' salaries.

Note: There is no reason why the same view may not be adopted for the use of donations made to other institutions specified in other subparagraphs of paragraph 78(1)(a) that are worded similarly i.e., if there is no express requirement or limitation in the subparagraph as to the use to which the donations may be put.

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