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Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)

<u>Companies (Registration of Foreign Companies)</u> <u>Amendment Rules, 2021</u>

MCA on August 05, 2021, notified the Companies (Registration of Foreign Companies) Amendment Rules, 2021 and the Companies (Specification of definitions details) Third Amendment Rules, 2021. The amendments exclude the electronic-based offering of securities, subscription or listing of securities in the International Financial Services Centres from the term 'electronic mode' as defined in the Companies Act, 2013.

(To view the Notifications, please click here and here)

Exemptions to foreign companies

MCA on August 05, 2021, notified the exemptions for foreign companies and companies incorporated or to be incorporated outside India regarding dating of prospectus and provisions as to experts' consent and allotment, the registration of prospectus, offer of India depository receipts.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

 Framework for outsourcing of payment and settlement-related activities by PSOs

RBI on August 03, 2021, issued a framework for outsourcing of payment and settlement-related activities by Payment System Operators (**PSOs**) providing for minimum standards to manage risks in outsourcing of payment and/or settlement-related activities.

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

Permitting non-scheduled Payment Banks to register as Bankers to an Issue

SEBI on August 03, 2021, issued circular permitting non-scheduled Payments Banks to register as Bankers to an Issue. The non-scheduled Payments Banks will require prior approval of the RBI to be eligible as Banker to an Issue.

(To view the Circular, please click here)

Requirement of minimum number and holding of unit holders for unlisted Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs)

SEBI on August 04, 2021, directed the registered unlisted InvITs to comply with the requirement of minimum number and holding of unit holders on or before February 04, 2022.

(To view the Circular, please click here)

 Operational Circular for issue and listing of Non-Convertible Securities (NCS), Securitised Debt Instruments (SDI), Security Receipts (SR), Municipal Debt Securities and Commercial Paper (CP)

SEBI on August 10, 2021, issued a chapter-wise operational circular for issue and listing of Non-Convertible Securities (**NCS**), Securitised Debt Instruments (**SDI**), Security Receipts (**SR**), Municipal Debt Securities and Commercial Paper (**CP**). The Circular will be in effect from August 16, 2021.

(To view the Circular, please click here)

 <u>Guidelines on issuance of non-convertible debt instruments along with warrants (NCDs with</u> Warrants)

SEBI on August 13, 2021, issued guidelines on issuance of non-convertible debt instruments along with warrants (**NCDs with Warrants**) under Chapter VI of SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018 to streamline procedure of issuance and applicability of EBP platform mechanism on the NCDs portion.

(To view the Circular, please click <u>here</u>)

Revised format for disclosure of shareholding pattern of promoter(s) and promoter group entities

SEBI on August 13, 2021, revised the format for disclosure of shareholding pattern of promoter(s) and promoter group entities. As per the new format, all listed entities shall now provide such shareholding, segregated into promoter(s) and promoter group.

(To view the Circular, please click here)

Central Board of Direct Taxes

Income Tax Amendment (22nd Amendment), Rules, 2021

CBDT on August 09, 2021, notified the Income Tax Amendment (22nd Amendment), Rules, 2021 providing method for computation of income of a specified fund attributable to units held by non-resident and for computation of exempt income of specified funds.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Income Tax (23rd Amendment), Rules, 2021

CBDT on August 10, 2021, notified the Income Tax (23rd Amendment), Rules, 2021 introducing a new Rule 10RB which deals with relief in tax payable under Section 115JB(1) due to operation of Section 115JB(2D). Further, a new Form No. 3CEEA is also introduced.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change (MoEFCC)

Environment (Protection) Second Amendment Rules, 2021

The Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change vide Notification dated August 06, 2021, has issued the Environment (Protection) Second Amendment Rules, 2021. The amendment has provided a list of Pharmaceutical Bulk Drugs and Formulations and has provided the effluent standards for the same. The standards are applicable to all discharges except to CETP and shall be applicable to all discharge to land and surface water bodies including use of treated wastewater for horticulture or irrigation purpose. Limits shall be applicable to industries those are using Benzene, Xylene, Methylene Chloride, Chlorobenzene.

Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021

The Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change on August 12, 2021, has issued the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021 to further amend the definitions of the following:

- Non-woven plastic bag
- Plastic waste processing
- Single-use plastic commodity
- Thermoset plastic
- Thermoplastic

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Industry-wise Updates

Commerce (Wholesale & retail)

Revision of principles of Restrictions and Prohibitions for Imports/Exports

DGFT on August 10, 2021, amended the Foreign Trade Policy, 2015-2020 in order to revise the principles of Restrictions and Prohibitions for Imports/Exports.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Extension in period of modification of IEC

DGFT on August 09, 2021, extended the timeline for yearly updation of IEC till August 31, 2021, for the current year. In cases where there are no changes in IEC details same also needs to be confirmed online.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Extension of trial period of Chip Import Monitoring System (CHIMS)

DGFT on August 09, 2021, extended the trial period of CHIMS by further two months i.e., up to September 30, 2021, and the registration at CHIMS portal will be effective from October 01, 2021. (To view the Notification, please click <u>here</u>)

Tea (Distribution and Export) Control (Amendment) Order, 2021

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry on August 6, 2021, notified the Tea (Distribution and Export) Control (Amendment) Order, 2021. The amendment provides for:

- Application for business licence or permanent business licence
- New validity of 5 years business licence for an exporter
- New fee structure upon filing applications

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Food & Beverage

Mandatory online submission of annual return by food businesses w.e.f. FY 2020-21

FSSAI on August 09, 2021, mandated online submission of annual returns through Food Safety Compliance System (**FoSCoS**) for food business operators involved in manufacturing and importing food operators w.e.f. FY 2020-21. The annual returns should be filed on or before August 31, 2021. (To view the Order, please click here)

Mining

Colliery Control (Amendment) Rules, 2021

The Ministry of Coal on August 09, 2021, notified the Colliery Control (Amendment) Rules, 2021. The amendment provides for:

- Introduction of new returns to be filed with Coal Controller
- Duty of owner, agent or manager to take steps for the conservation and development of coal mine
- Coal Conservation and Development Advisory Committee

Textiles, clothing & leather

<u>Continuation of Scheme for Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies on export of apparel/garments and made ups (RoSCTL)</u>

Ministry of Textiles on August 13, 2021, announced continuation of Scheme for Rebate of State and Central Taxes and levies (**RoSCTL**) on export of garments and made ups to enhance competitiveness of these sectors. Government has decided to continue the RoSCTL w.e.f. January 01, 2021, to March 31, 2024.

State-wise restrictions due to resurgence of Covid-19

State/UT	Order/Directions	Competent Authority	Remarks
Assam	 Directives for both rural and urban areas which will remain in force w.e.f. 5 AM of August 10, 2021, until further order Restriction time for all districts: Curfew time is 6 PM to 5 AM Workplace, business/commercial establishments, shops, restaurants, dhabas, showrooms and sale counters can function up to 5 PM Shops dealing with groceries, fruits, vegetables, dairy, and milk can function up to 5 PM 	Govt of Assam	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Bihar	 All shops in the state will open from August 07, 2021, to August 25, 2021, with weekly off Public vehicles will be allowed to run at full capacity Cinema halls and shopping malls to open with restrictions Coaching institutes will function at 50 percent capacity barring a day Classes IX and X will resume from August 07, while classes 1 to 8 from August 16 Religious places to remain shut 	Govt of Bihar	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for the Orders)
Goa	 All casinos, educational institutions, Social or Political gatherings, swimming pools, religious places for public, entertainment parks and weekly markets are restricted till August 09, 2021 Marriage functions, social/political gathering and other congregations shall be allowed with 50% capacity Bars and Restaurants allowed to open with 50% seating capacity between 7 AM to 11 PM Medical shops and other food supply shops allowed to open without any restrictions All construction and related activities and all industries and factories are allowed 	Office of District Magistrate, North Goa and Office of District Magistrate, South Goa	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for the Orders)
NCT of Delhi	 Extended restriction measures w.e.f. August 09, 2021, till August 23, 2021, or until further orders, whichever is earlier Schools, colleges and educational institutions will remain closed All gatherings remain prohibited Standalone and neighborhood shops permitted to open on all days Shops dealing with non-essential goods/services permitted to function between 10 AM to 8 PM All markets, malls and complexes permitted to remain open between 10 AM to 8 PM Restaurants and bars permitted to function with 50% seating capacity from 8 AM to 10 PM and 12 PM to 10 PM respectively Theatres/multiplexes/auditoriums allowed to open with 50% seating capacity Implementation of Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) by the NDMA, MHA, GOI from time to time in connection with management of Covid-19 	Govt of NCT of Delhi, Disaster Management Authority	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for the Orders)

Haryana	 Extension of Mahamari Alert - Surakshit Haryana till August 23, 2021 (5 AM) w.e.f. August 09, 2021 All restaurants and bars (including in hotels and malls) to function with 50% capacity All gyms and spas to open with 50% capacity All club houses/ restaurants/ bars of the golf courses to open with 50% seating capacity Members/ visitor to be allowed to play in golf courses by the management in staggered manner to avoid overcrowding All shops and malls to open with adherence to covid guidelines All swimming pools to open with adherence to covid guidelines All swimmers/ practitioners/ eligible visitors and staff to preferably get vaccinated with both doses of Covid-19 vaccine 	Govt of Haryana	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Himachal	 'No mask – No Service' policy People with face covers/masks will only be allowed to board public/private transport and enter any other government or private establishment for availing goods or services. Continuous focus on five-fold strategy for effective covid management i.e., Test-Track-Treat-Vaccination and Adherence to covid appropriate behaviour People intending to visit the state shall carry Covid-19 Vaccine Certificates (single or both doses) or negative RT-PCR test report issued not earlier than 72 hours or r RAT negative report not older than 24 hours All schools to remain closed except residential schools from August 11, 2021, to August 22, 2021 All inter-state, inter-district & intra-district movement of public transport buses (stage/ contract carriages) to operate with 50% of the registered seating capacity 	Govt of Himachal	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for
Pradesh		Pradesh	the Orders)
Jammu &	 Restrictions to remain w.e.f. August 18, 2021, until further orders Maximum people permitted to attend outdoor/indoor gatherings is restricted to 25 No weekend curfew in any district Schools, educational institutions, and coaching centres to remain closed Night curfew continues to remain in all districts from 8 PM to 7 AM 	Govt of Jammu &	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for
Kashmir		Kashmir	the Orders)
Jharkhand	 Shops are permitted to open till 8 PM in all districts Restaurants and bars are permitted to operate dining at 50% capacity on all days including on Sunday till 10 PM Cinema halls and multiplexes are permitted to operate at 50% capacity on all days excluding Sunday till 8 PM All Government of India, State government and private offices are permitted to function with 100% strength Unhindered transportation of all goods is permitted Religious places of worship are permitted to open but visitors are prohibited ITI, skills development centres and polytechnics are permitted to operate offline classes All processions are prohibited Banquet halls are permitted to function with 50% hall capacity or 100 persons, whichever is less 	Govt of Jharkhand	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)

Kerala	 Extension of existing lock down measures w.e.f August 12, 2021 no public observation of festivals or mass gatherings will be permitted during the festivals Special intensified stringent lockdown restrictions will be enforced in the panchayats or urban wards with critical spread, wherein Weekly Infection Population Ratio (WIPR) is above 8 Essential activities will be operational 	Govt of Kerala	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Maharashtra	 Fully vaccinated people are allowed to travel in local trains in the Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR) from August 15, 2021 Shops, malls and restaurants permitted to operate till 10 PM from August 15, 2021 Private offices permitted to operate 24X7 with staggered shift hours Religious places and theatres, multiplexes and auditoriums will remain shut till further orders Restaurants are permitted to operate with 50% seating capacity Gyms, yoga centres and spas permitted to operate with 50% seating capacity 	Govt of Maharashtra	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Manipur	 Imposed night curfew from 6 PM to 5 AM from August 08, 2021, till August 22, 2021 Unavoidable customary and religious rituals can be performed in open sheds by restricting the number of invitees to twenty only Offices of insurance companies can function with limited staff on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 AM to 2:30 PM Postal services can function with limited staff on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 AM to 2:30 PM including delivery of medicines, medical equipment, and posts Only one out of three grocery shops of the total shops/vendors in one location shall be allowed to open on rotational basis from 7 AM to 10 PM Shops selling fish, poultry and poultry products shall remain open from 8 AM to 11 AM on Monday, Thursday, and Saturday. Shops selling milk and fresh milk products every day from 6 AM to 9 AM Opening of stationery shops and authorized service centres of mobiles and personal computers is permitted from 10 AM to 2 PM on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Opening of local vegetable vendors from 7 AM to 10 AM for purchase by the locals on Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday 	Govt of Manipur	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Meghalaya	 Imposition of daily Night Curfew under Section 144 CrPC from 8 PM to 5 AM Total curfew on Sundays Political, public, social, and religious gatherings weddings are prohibited Funeral gatherings should be restricted to 10 persons only, with prior permission All shops are required to indicate vaccination status of their staff in the shop premises Home delivery/takeaway services, e-commerce activities and courier services are permitted Private offices are permitted to open thrice a week with permission Saloons and beauty parlours are permitted to open, subject to strict compliance to the protocols Offices of colleges are permitted to open at 30% strength, with due permission 	Govt of Meghalaya	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)

	 Offices of cchools may be permitted to open three times a week, at 30% strength Gymnasium/yoga institutes/fitness centres are permitted to re-open Partial lockdown shall be imposed in AMC area 		
Mizoram	 Function August 08, 2021, till midnight of August 21, 2021 Educational Institutions shall remain closed Funeral and wedding services are permitted up to 30 persons with the condition that no refreshments are prepared and served Public park, picnic spots, gyms, spas shall remain closed 	Govt of Mizoram	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Nagaland	 Relaxations in enforcement of Unlock Phase-IV are hereby made within Kohima District from August 02, 2021, to August 18, 2021 The timing for opening of all categories of shops will be from 6 AM to 6 PM on permitted days The duration of Night Curfew is further reduced, and it will be from 8 PM to 4 AM Takeaways/ home delivery outlets will be allowed to open and function on all days except during the curfew hours Local Taxis shall be allowed to ply with only 2 passengers and without any passenger in the front seat 	Govt of Nagaland	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for the Orders)
Tamil Nadu	 The Government of Tamil Nadu has extended the lockdown restrictions up to 6 AM of August 23, 2021. Shops are permitted to function subject to adherence to the prescribed SOPs No activities will be permitted in containment zones 	Govt of Tamil Nadu	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Tripura	 Night Curfew imposed throughout the State between 10 PM to 5 AM from August 12, 2021, to August 31, 2021 Meeting/gathering at any closed spaces (up to a maximum of 30% of capacity only) will be allowed following Covid- 19 restrictions Movie halls/multiplexes, gymnasium/swimming pool, sports complexes & stadia, entertainment parks, bars etc. may be opened with 30% capacity All standalone shops and commercial establishments including shopping complexes/malls, beauty parlours, barber shops may remain open only from 6 AM to 9 PM Restaurants/dhabas will operate only up to 9 PM. Restaurant in hotels will operate up to 9 PM for outside guests. In-house guests will avail services at all times Marriage functions will be allowed with presence of maximum 50 persons following aggressive COVID appropriate behaviour Funeral/last rites shall not contain more than 20 persons 	Govt of Tripura	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
Uttarakhand	 Extension of the ongoing Covid-induced curfew with effect from 6 AM on August 10, 2021, till 6 AM on August 17, 2021. Water parks are permitted to open with 50 percent capacity. Government offices are allowed to function with 100 per cent capacity. Shops and business establishments in the state are also permitted to open from 8 AM to 9 PM six days a week. 	Govt of Uttarakhand	(Click <u>here</u> and <u>here</u> for the Orders)

	 Water parks were permitted to open with 50 percent capacity. 		
Uttar Pradesh	 Movement of people will be allowed from 6 AM -10 PM from Mondays to Saturdays w.e.f. August 14, 2021 Mandatorily requirement to continue wearing masks and observe social distancing Sunday lockdown/Corona Curfew to continue until further orders 	Govt of Uttar Pradesh	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)
West Bengal	 Extended restriction measures till August 31, 2021, w.e.f. August 16, 2021 Theatres, sadans, manchas, auditoriums for cultural activities permitted to open with 50% seating capacity Shops, establishments, restaurants, bars, permitted to open up to 10:30 PM Outdoor activities strictly prohibited between 11 PM to 5 AM 	Govt of West Bengal	(Click <u>here</u> for the Order)

State-wise Updates

Bihar

Extension on the date for cancellation of registration of old vehicles

The Transport Department of Bihar vide Notification dated August 10, 2021, has issued an extension for the cancellation of the registration of the vehicles older than 15 years and the vehicles not fit for operation for another year.

(To view the Bill, please click here)

Waiver of penalty of road tax, green tax trade tax etc. of all vehicles

The State Government of Bihar vide Notification dated August 10, 2021, has issued the waiver from penalty and interest to the tax defaulter Transport, non-transport vehicle, tractor-trailer, battery operated vehicle (Electric Vehicle) registered in the State of Bihar from road tax/green tax subject to various conditions depending on the type of vehicle effective from August 15, 2021.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Bihar Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (Amendment) Act, 2021

The Bihar Government has amended the Bihar Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2006 vide Notification dated August 09, 2021, to provide amendment in fiscal targets for the year 2021-22, as recommended by the 15th Finance commission and Government of India to make fiscal responsibility and budget management process more transparent and comprehensive.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Bihar Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Tribunal (Amendment-1) Rules, 2021

Bihar Transport department vide Notification dated August 11, 2021, has issued the Bihar Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Tribunal (Amendment-1) Rules, 2021 with amendments made to Sections 165, 176 and 211. The amended rules seek to facilitate the compensation process.

Uninsured vehicles involved in road accidents and deaths in the state would now be confiscated and auctioned to raise money to compensate victims and the seized vehicle shall not be released until compensation is received.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Bihar Motor Vehicles (Amendment-1) Rules 2021

Bihar Transport department vide Notification dated August 11, 2021, has issued the Bihar Motor Vehicles (Amendment-1) Rules 2021, with the objective to make the process of giving compensation amount easy and effective wherein in case of death in a road accident, the victim's family will get INR 5 lakh as compensation and as per the new rules, there will be a provision that compensation of INR 2.5 lakh in case of serious injury shall be provided.

Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

Enforcement of noise pollution control measure as per the Noise Polluting Rules, 2000

The Administrator of Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, vide Order dated August 12, 2021, has designated the Deputy Collector and Sub Divisional Police Officers of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu as the Authority responsible for enforcement of Noise Pollution Control measures as per the Noise Polluting (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 for the Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu in the respective districts.

(To view the Order, please click here)

Goa

Permission granted for additional time beyond 11 PM for sale of liquor in coastal village panchayats

The Commissioner of Excise, Goa grants permission for additional time beyond 11 PM for sale of liquor in Coastal Village Panchayats coming under Coastal Regulation Zone (**CRZ**) areas, areas under jurisdiction of Municipal Councils, casinos and the hotels registered with the Department of Tourism, Government of Goa.

Further, to regulate sale of liquor in rural and hinterland areas, applications shall be referred to Government by Excise Department, for decision.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Govt of NCT of Delhi

<u>National Capital Territory of Delhi (Incredible India) Bed and Breakfast Establishments</u> (Registration and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2021

The Department of Law, Justice and Legislative Affairs vide Notification dated August 11, 2021, has issued the National Capital Territory of Delhi (Incredible India) Bed and Breakfast Establishments (Registration and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2021 to further amend the National Capital Territory of Delhi (Incredible India) Bed and Breakfast Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2007 bringing about substitution in the time period for grant of registration from 3 months to 1 month –

The entire process of grant of registration of a premises shall be completed within a period of one month from the date of receipt of application.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Gujarat

Labour Welfare Fund (Gujarat) (Amendment) Rules, 2021

The Department of Labour and Employment vide Notification dated August 11, 2021, has issued the Labour Welfare Fund (Gujarat) (Amendment) Rules, 2021 removing the provision towards maintenance of Register of Wages in Form A under The Labour Welfare Fund (Gujarat) Rules, 1962.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Haryana

Grievance registration through 'Haryana Engineering Works Portal'

The Directorate of Information, Public relations & Languages, Government of Haryana, vide Press Release dated August 09, 2021, has introduced an online registration of grievances and doubts in the 'Haryana Engineering Works Portal' by contractors engaged with the Department of Irrigation and Water Resources.

(To view the Press Release, please click here)

Himachal Pradesh

Draft of Himachal Pradesh Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Rules, 2021

Department of Cooperation, Government of Himachal Pradesh, vide Notification dated August 03, 2021, has issued the draft of Himachal Pradesh Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Rules, 2021 proposing certain changes with regards to audit, qualification and experience of auditors, registration of cooperative society along with defining the term 'principles of social justice'.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Jammu & Kashmir

J&K and UT of Ladakh (Adoption of various Regulations of JERC for the state of Goa and UTs) Regulations, 2021

The Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for the Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh vide Notification dated August 04, 2021, has issued the JERC for UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh (Adoption of various Regulations of JERC for the state of Goa and UTs) Regulations, 2021. The Commission adopts the following Regulations of JERC for the state of Goa and UTs with amendments up to date for one year or till replacement of corresponding regulation framed by the Commission.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Madhya Pradesh

 <u>Amendments under the Madhya Pradesh Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation)</u> <u>Rules, 1993</u>

Government of Madhya Pradesh vide Notification dated August 02, 2021, has amended the Madhya Pradesh Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Rules, 1993:

- Amending the name of the Act to be 'The Madhya Pradesh Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Rules, 1993'
- Inserting a new provision towards awareness on prohibition of employment of Child and Adolescents in contravention to Act, child to help his family without affecting education
- Liability of producer for involving a child in audio-visual production or any commercial event and producer for such activity shall furnish Form C to the district magistrate for approval,
- Mandated employer to produce a certificate of age received from the appropriate medical authority to the Inspector on demand

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Exemption of agricultural land from the valuation of taxable property

Urban Development and Housing Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh vide Notification dated August 09, 2021, has amended the Madhya Pradesh Municipality (Determination of taxable property value of building/land) Rules, 2020. The amendment has exempted the land on which agriculture is done from the purpose of calculating taxable property value.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Maharashtra

Maharashtra Minimum Wages VDA Notification (July 2021)

The Government of Maharashtra vide Notification dated August 04, 2021, has released revised minimum rates of wages (variable dearness allowance) effective from July 01, 2021, and valid till December 31, 2021.

Manipur

Manipur Shops and Establishments (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Ordinance, 2021

The Law & Legislative Affairs Department, Manipur vide Notification dated August 04, 2021, has issued the Manipur Shops and Establishments (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Ordinance, 2021 which shall apply to the Shops and Establishments employing ten or more workers and repeals the Manipur Shops and Establishments Act, 1972.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Odisha

Draft OERC (Forecasting, Scheduling and Deviation Settlement of Wind and Solar Generating Stations at the State Level) Regulations, 2021

The Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission (**OERC**) on August 2, 2021, has issued the Draft OERC (Forecasting, Scheduling and Deviation Settlement of Wind and Solar Generating Stations at the State Level) Regulations, 2021 to facilitate large-scale grid integration of solar and wind generating stations while maintaining grid stability and security through forecasting, scheduling, and commercial mechanism for deviation settlement of generators.

Further, these Regulations shall apply to all wind and solar generators (including Rooftop PV solar and net-metered solar power projects which are connected through separate feeder at 33kV and above) connected to the State grid in Odisha, including those connected via pooling stations, and using the power generated for self-consumption or sale within or outside the state.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Punjab

Withdrawal/de-registration of registered projects

Punjab Real Estate Regulatory Authority vide Circular dated August 06, 2021, has decided to allow the promoter of a project to withdraw or de-register an already registered project under the Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act, 2016 on fulfilment of certain conditions and on acceptance of the request for withdrawal / de-registration, registration fees shall be refunded proportionately based on the remaining period of validity of registration.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Rajasthan

Amendments in rates of Excise Duty of microbrewery

Department of Finance, Government of Rajasthan vide Circular dated August 04, 2021, has amended a previously released Notification amending the Excise duty on Beer manufactured in the Micro-Brewery to be INR 40 per bulk litre.

(To view the Circular, please click here)

New variety of country liquor made from mahua flower added to the Rajasthan Excise Act, 1950

Department of Finance, Government of Rajasthan vide Order dated August 10, 2021, has inserted a new variety of liquor made from Mahua flower on rectified spirit or on Extra Neutral Alcohol base with the strength of 40 U.P. and 50 U.P to the Rajasthan Excise Act, 1950.

(To view the Order, please click <u>here</u>)

 <u>Extension of the period of waiver of registration for the dealers under Battery</u> (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001

Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board vide Order dated August 05, 2021, has extended the period of waiver of registration fee of INR 10, 000 for the dealers for registration under Rule 7 of the Battery (Management and Handling) Rules, 2001 up to September 30, 2021.

(To view the Order, please click here)

SOP for re-opening of educational institutions

Government of Rajasthan vide Order dated August 12, 2021, has permitted the schools to open for students of classes 9th to 12th with 50 % capacity from September 01, 2021. Coaching institutions with 50% sitting capacity have also been permitted to operate from September 01, 2021.

(To view the Order, please click here)

Tripura

Revision of Variable Dearness Allowance (VDA) for certain cooperative stores and societies

The Government of Tripura, vide Notification dated July 15, 2021, revised the Variable Dearness Allowance for the 'Cooperative Stores and Societies including Large Size Multipurpose Cooperative Society, Primary Marketing Cooperative Society and Primary Agricultural Cooperative Society' w.e.f. April 01, 2021.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Uttarakhand

Implementation of Tariff Order for Financial Year 2021-22

Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission vide Public Notice dated August 09, 2021, has declared the Tariff Order that has been implemented for different industries with effect from April 01, 2021.

(To view the Public Notice, please click here and here)

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