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CCF Scheme: Opportunity to Regularise Pending MCA Filings

- **COMPANIES COMPLIANCE FACILITATION SCHEME, 2026 (CCFS, 2026): A ONE-TIME OPPORTUNITY TO REGULARISE PENDING MCA FILINGS**

  If a company has pending corporate filings, this may be the most cost-effective opportunity to regularize defaults.

  Recognizing that many companies, particularly Private Companies, OPCs and other growing businesses, have been unable to complete the statutory filings on time, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) has introduced the **Companies Compliance Facilitation Scheme, 2026 (CCFS,2026**).

  The Scheme provides a opportunity for companies to update pending statutory filings, obtain dormant status, or voluntarily seek strike-off at substantially reduced costs. It has been introduced with the objective of improving corporate compliance and ensuring that the MCA has accurate and up-to-date information.

  The Scheme will remain open from **April 15, 2026, to July 15, 2026.**

  - The Scheme is available to all the companies having pending statutory filings, except:
  - Companies against which final notice for strike-off under Section 248 of Companies Act,2013 has been issued before the scheme.
  - Companies that have already applied for Strike-Off.
  - Companies that obtained Dormant status before commencement of the Scheme
  - Companies dissolved pursuant to Amalgamation or Acquisition.
  - Key benefits under the Scheme
  - Annual filings (Form AOC-4 & MGT-7/7A) can be completed by paying Normal fees plus only 10% of the applicable additional filing fees, instead of the entire additional fee otherwise payable for delayed filings.
  - Dormant Company Status can be obtained under Section 455 of Companies Act, 2013 by filing e-Form MSC-1 on payment of only 50% of the Normal Filing Fee, enabling inactive companies to remain on the register with minimal compliance requirements.
  - Voluntary strike-off of companies can be obtained by filing e-Form STK-2, by paying only 25% of the Normal Filing Fee.

  Relief from Penalties and Adjudication

  The Scheme also provides significant relief from adjudication proceedings in specified cases.

  - For defaults under Section 92(prepare and file annual return) and Section on 137 (file Audited Financial Statements), no penalty will be levied if the pending filings are made before the adjudicating officer issues a notice or within 30 days of such notice. In such cases, the adjudication proceedings will be concluded.
  - If the pending filings are made after the expiry of 30 days from the notice or after an adjudication order imposing penalty has already been passed, the Scheme does not waive the penalty. The company and its officers remain liable to pay the penalty, although the filings can still be completed.
  - For forms such as ADT-1, FC-3, FC-4, Form 20B, Form 21A, Form 23AC, Form 23ACA, Form 23AC-XBRL, Form 23ACA-XBRL, Form 66, and Form 23B, immunity from penal action for delayed filing is available only if the forms are filed under the Scheme before any prosecution is initiated or any show cause notice for adjudication is issued.

  Accordingly, we suggest conducting a quick compliance review:

  - Are there any Annual Returns or Financial Statements of the company pending for filing?
  - Does the company intend to continue its operations, or does it wish to opt for dormant status or voluntary strike-off?
  - Has the company received any adjudication notice, and if so, can the pending filings still be completed within the prescribed timelines to avail the available relief?

  The Circular also makes it clear that **once the Scheme concludes, Registrar of Companies will initiate appropriate action against companies that continue to remain in default**. Companies are therefore advised to utilise this limited compliance window to regularise past defaults rather than face stricter enforcement after the Scheme expires.

  (To View the circular, please click here)

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Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)

- **Customs Tariff Values Revised for Edible Oils, Precious Metals, Brass Scrap and Areca Nuts**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), through the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), on June 15, 2026, issued Notification No. 55/2026-Customs (N.T.) vide S.O. 3103(E) amending Notification No. 36/2001-Customs (N.T.) dated August 3, 2001. The notification shall come into force with effect from June 16, 2026.

  The following has been stated:
  - The revised tariff values covers crude palm oil, RBD palm oil, palmolein, crude soya bean oil, brass scrap, gold, silver and areca nuts.
  - The revised tariff value for gold has been fixed at USD 1,348 per 10 grams, while the tariff value for silver has been fixed at USD 2,175 per kilogram.
  - TABLE-1, TABLE-2 and TABLE-3 of the principal notification have been substituted to revise the tariff values for specified imported goods.
  - The notification also revises the tariff values applicable to edible oils, brass scrap and areca nuts for customs valuation purposes.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **CBIC Extends Time Limit for Filing Appeals before GST Appellate Tribunal**

  The Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, vide Notification No. S.O. 3502(E) dated 30th June, 2026, has extended the time limit for filing appeals and applications before the GST Appellate Tribunal under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017.

  Key highlights are as follows:
  - The last date for filing appeals or applications before the GST Appellate Tribunal in specified pending cases has been extended to 31st July, 2026.
  - Appeals against orders communicated before 1st May, 2026 may be filed up to 31st July, 2026.
  - Appeals against orders communicated on or after 1st May, 2026 shall be filed within three months from the date of communication of the order.
  - Applications relating to orders passed before 1st February, 2026 may be filed up to 31st July, 2026.
  - Applications relating to orders passed on or after 1st February, 2026 shall be filed within six months from the date of the order, in accordance with the CGST Act, 2017.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Ministry of Corporate Affairs

- **Relaxation in Additional Fees for Filing of Form DPT-3 for FY 2025–26**

  The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, vide Order/Notification dated 19 June 2026, has granted relaxation in respect of additional fees for delay in filing Form DPT-3 (Return of Deposits) for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2026.

  The notification provides that:
  - The due date for filing Form DPT-3 for the Financial Year 2025-2026 is 30 June 2026.
  - In view of capacity enhancement and restoration activities being undertaken at the Data Centre, consequent to a fire incident dated 05 June 2026, companies are permitted to file Form DPT-3 without payment of additional fees up to 31 July 2026 for the said financial year.
  - The relaxation has been granted to ensure continuity of compliance filing and to facilitate stakeholders during the period of system restoration.

  The relaxation shall remain applicable for filings made up to 31 July 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Extension of Validity for Name Reservation and E-Form Resubmission**

  The Ministry of Corporate Affairs, vide notification dated 20 June 2026, has issued relaxation measures regarding extension of validity period for name reservation and resubmission of e-forms in view of capacity enhancement and restoration activities being undertaken at the Data Centre consequent to the fire incident dated 05 June 2026.

The circular provides that:

- The validity of approved name reservations expiring between 21 June 2026 and 30 June 2026 shall be extended up to 10 July 2026.
- For name reservations (including RUN, RUN-LLP and SPICe+ Part A) that expired between 05 June 2026 and 20 June 2026, stakeholders may seek extension up to 10 July 2026 through MCA Helpdesk by 30 June 2026, subject to verification and availability of the name.
- The validity of resubmission of e-forms falling due between 21 June 2026 and 30 June 2026 shall be extended up to 10 July 2026.
- For e-forms where resubmission validity expired between 05 June 2026 and 20 June 2026, extension up to 10 July 2026 may be requested via MCA Helpdesk by 30 June 2026, subject to case-wise verification.
- Cancelled e-forms due to non-resubmission during the above period may be reopened upon request and made available for resubmission up to 10 July 2026 after approval.
- The relaxation has been granted to ensure continuity of services during system restoration activities.

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(To view the Notification, please click here).

Reserve Bank of India

- **Amendment to FEMA (Deposit) Regulations, 2016**

The Reserve Bank of India, vide Notification No. FEMA 5(R)(6)/2026-RB dated June 18, 2026, has notified the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) (Sixth Amendment) Regulations, 2026, amending the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations, 2016.

The notification provides that:

- The definition of "International Financial Services Centre (IFSC)" has been inserted in the Regulations.
- Persons resident outside India may open, hold and maintain a Special Non-Resident Rupee (SNRR) Account with an authorised dealer in India or its branch outside India, including in an IFSC in India.
- Transfers from NRO Accounts to SNRR Accounts and from NRO Accounts to NRE Accounts have been permitted within the limits specified under the Foreign Exchange Management (Remittance of Assets) Regulations, 2016.
- The provisions relating to SNRR Accounts in Schedule 4 have been rationalised by revising the eligibility and operational framework, deleting certain existing provisions, and permitting transactions between persons resident outside India involving SNRR Accounts based on the account holder's instructions indicating the underlying purpose.

The notification shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Master Direction on Credit Derivatives, 2026**

The Reserve Bank of India (Department of Financial Markets Regulation), on June 25, 2026, issued Notification titled Master Direction - Reserve Bank of India (Credit Derivatives) Directions, 2026. The Directions introduce a comprehensive regulatory framework governing credit derivatives in India, including Credit Default Swaps (CDS), Total Return Swaps (TRS), and credit index-based derivatives across OTC and exchange-traded markets, with immediate effect.

Key Highlights of the direction:

- Market participants are classified into market-makers and users, with users further divided into retail and non-retail categories based on financial eligibility criteria.
- Participation is restricted to eligible financial institutions and regulated entities; individuals are not permitted to participate in CDS or TRS markets.
- CDS transactions may be settled through cash, physical, or auction mechanisms, with a Credit Derivatives Determinations Committee (FIMMDA) established to oversee key determinations and settlement processes.
- FPIs are permitted participation subject to safeguards, including exposure limits and restrictions on eligible underlying instruments.
- OTC transactions must involve a recognised market-maker or approved central counterparty, with mandatory reporting to CCIL within prescribed timelines.
- RBI has also enabled exchange-traded CDS and futures on credit indices, subject to approval and regulatory oversight by RBI and SEBI.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **RBI Withdraws Redundant FEMA Circulars as Part of Regulatory Rationalisation Exercise**

The Reserve Bank of India (Department of Financial Markets Regulation), on June 25, 2026, issued a circular to all Authorised Persons under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA), announcing the withdrawal of select circulars issued since June 01, 2000. The withdrawal forms part of RBI's ongoing initiative to rationalise and streamline the FEMA regulatory framework by removing circulars that have become inoperative due to subsequent amendments, redundancy, overlap, or supersession by newer directions. The directions are issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of FEMA, 1999.

Key Highlights:

- RBI has undertaken a comprehensive review of FEMA circulars issued since June 01, 2000.
- Circulars that have ceased to be operative due to subsequent regulatory changes, redundancy, or supersession are being withdrawn.
- The list of withdrawn circulars is specified in the Annex to the circular.
- Authorised Persons are advised to bring the contents of the circular to the notice of their constituents concerned.
- The circular has been issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of FEMA, 1999 and is without prejudice to other applicable legal requirements.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **RBI Rationalises FEMA Reporting Requirements for Authorised Persons**

The Reserve Bank of India, under the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA), has reviewed and rationalised various reporting requirements applicable to Authorised Persons, including changes in formats, discontinuation of redundant returns, and streamlining of compliance obligations. The revised framework aims to simplify reporting while improving data consistency and reducing compliance burden.

The circular mentions the following:

- The FLM-8 return has been modified to include details of write-off of foreign currency notes, while prior approval for write-off up to USD 2,000 has been discontinued.
- Entities maintaining Nostro accounts and reporting through FETERS are exempted from submitting FLM-8.
- Authorised Persons with franchisee arrangements and MTSS Indian Agents must now submit quarterly lists of franchisees and sub-agents within 15 days of quarter-end.
- Several legacy reporting formats and returns (including FLM-1 to FLM-7 and select MTSS-related statements) have been discontinued, though record-keeping obligations continue.
- Requirements relating to additional MTSS location lists and collateral reporting have been removed.
- Updated instructions will be reflected in the relevant Master Directions separately.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **RBI Amends FEMA Regulations on Mode of Payment and Reporting of Non-Debt Instruments (NDI), 2026**

The Reserve Bank of India has issued amendments to the Foreign Exchange Management (Mode of Payment and Reporting of Non-Debt Instruments) Regulations, 2019, aimed at updating payment mechanisms, simplifying reporting requirements, and aligning provisions for investments by persons resident outside India, including NRIs and OCIs.

Key Highlights

- Revised mode of payment provisions for investments by NRIs/OCIs, permitting inward remittance, foreign currency accounts, rupee accounts, and designated repatriable accounts for eligible transactions.
- Sale proceeds of equity instruments, mutual fund units, and National Pension System (NPS) investments may now be remitted abroad or credited to designated accounts, subject to FEMA deposit regulations.
- Updated framework for investments in equity shares of Indian companies listed on International Exchanges, allowing payment through foreign currency accounts of Indian companies or eligible repatriable accounts.
- Amendment to Regulation 4(9) introduces updated reporting requirements through Form LEC (IFI) for purchases/transfer of equity instruments by individual foreign investors (NRIs/OCIs) on stock exchanges

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **RBI issues Master Directions on Authorisation to Operate Payment Systems, 2026**

The Reserve Bank of India issued a circular on June 15,2026 regarding the Master Directions on Authorisation to Operate a Payment System, 2026, consolidating the regulatory framework governing licensing, eligibility, governance, ownership conditions, and operational lifecycle requirements for Payment System Operators (PSOs) under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.

Key Highlights of the circular:

- Introduces a revised on-tap authorisation framework for entities seeking approval to operate payment systems under the PSS Act.
- Strengthens eligibility and "fit and proper" criteria, including financial soundness, governance standards, and integrity requirements for promoters and management.
- Updates net-worth computation methodology and mandates statutory auditor certification at the application stage.
- Tightens norms for investments from FATF non-compliant jurisdictions, restricting acquisition of significant influence and capping voting power thresholds.
- Provides for perpetual validity of Certificate of Authorisation (CoA), subject to compliance and supervisory satisfaction, replacing routine renewals.
- Introduces a structured framework for voluntary surrender of CoA, including stakeholder intimation, liability settlement process, and escrow account reconciliation.
- Establishes a mandatory cooling-off period of one year for entities whose authorisation is revoked, surrendered, or rejected.
- Empowers RBI to repeal earlier directions and consolidate prior circulars into a single updated framework.

The Directions are issued under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007 and come into force upon placement on the RBI website.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **RBI issues notification exempting certain NBFCs from registration and reserve fund requirements**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued Notification, exempting certain Type I NBFCs from the applicability of Sections 45IA (Registration) and 45IC (Creation of Reserve Fund) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, subject to specified conditions.

Key Highlights:

- The exemption is available only to NBFCs that do not avail public funds and do not have any customer interface as their conscious and long-term business model.
- The NBFC's asset size must be less than ?1,000 crore as per its last audited balance sheet.
- The company must pass an annual Board Resolution at the beginning of each financial year confirming that it will neither avail public funds nor have any customer interface during that year.
- The NBFC must disclose in the Notes to Accounts of its financial statements that it is an "Unregistered Type I NBFC", along with its status regarding public funds and customer interface.
- The notification clarifies that terms used therein shall have the same meaning as assigned under the Reserve Bank of India (Non-Banking Financial Companies - Registration, Exemptions and Framework for Scale Based Regulation) Directions, 2025, as amended from time to time.
- Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Securities and Exchange Board of India

- **Revised Framework for Base Price, Price Bands and Trading Mechanism for ETFs**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), vide Circular dated 15 June 2026, has issued revised norms for Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) relating to determination of base price, price bands, call auction in pre-open session, and close-out procedure.

The circular provides that:

- The base price for ETFs shall be determined based on the T-1 day closing price (last 30-minute VWAP). In absence of trading, LTP or latest NAV shall be considered, with adjustments for corporate actions.
- SEBI and market participants shall work towards implementation of T-1 day closing NAV as base price with effect from 01 April 2027.
- Revised price band framework has been introduced:
    - Equity ETFs and non-liquid Debt ETFs: dynamic bands starting at ±10% with flex up to ±20%.
    - Overnight and Liquid ETFs: fixed price band of ±5%.
    - Commodity ETFs (Gold/Silver): dynamic bands starting at ±6% with staged flexing up to higher limits, subject to market conditions.
- Cooling-off periods have been prescribed for price band flexing, with exchange-wide uniform application of band adjustments.
- Close-out mechanism for Overnight and Liquid ETFs has been revised, with close-out price defined as the higher of specified market-based benchmarks.
- Existing auction and close-out provisions for other ETFs shall continue as per Master Circular.

- A call auction mechanism in the pre-open session has been introduced for Commodity ETFs to improve price discovery.
- The provisions shall come into effect from 01 September 2026.

The circular has been issued under the SEBI Act, 1992 and SEBI (Stock Exchanges and Clearing Corporations) Regulations, 2018 to protect investor interests and regulate the securities market.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Guidelines on Retention of Proceeds Beyond Permissible Fund Life and Introduction of 'Inoperative Fund' Status for AIFs**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), vide Circular dated 16 June 2026, has issued guidelines relating to winding up of Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs) and Venture Capital Funds (VCFs) with respect to retention of proceeds and introduction of 'Inoperative Fund' status.

The circular provides that:

- AIFs/schemes may retain liquidation proceeds beyond the permissible fund life subject to conditions such as existence of litigation/regulatory notices, investor consent (minimum 75% by value), or substantiated winding-up expenses.
- Retention for operational expenses shall not exceed 3 years beyond permissible fund life.
- Upon settlement of liabilities and distribution of retained proceeds, the scheme shall be wound up under Regulation 29 of the AIF Regulations, 2012.
- AIFs may apply for 'Inoperative Fund' status where schemes retain proceeds or where registration is maintained solely due to pending litigation.
- 'Inoperative Funds' shall not launch new schemes or charge management fees and must invest retained monies as prescribed.
- Annual reporting of retained proceeds and liabilities to SEBI and investors is mandatory through specified formats.
- The framework is also extended to erstwhile Venture Capital Funds registered under the 1996 Regulations.

The circular is effective immediately and has been issued under the SEBI Act, 1992 and AIF Regulations, 2012 to protect investor interests and regulate the securities market.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Revision of Early Pay-in Framework for Commodity Derivatives Segment**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), vide Circular dated 19 June 2026, has issued a clarification regarding the early pay-in facility in the Commodity Derivatives Segment.

The circular provides that:

- Para 11.3.1 of the SEBI Master Circular for Commodity Derivatives Segment dated 04 August 2023 has been revised.
- Clearing Corporations shall provide early pay-in facility allowing market participants to deposit certified goods in accredited warehouses against relevant derivative contracts.
- For positions where early pay-in is made, Clearing Corporations may, based on risk assessment, exempt all types of margins. However, mark-to-market margins shall continue to be collected.
- The revised framework is intended to improve settlement efficiency and facilitate physical delivery mechanisms in commodity derivatives.
- The provisions shall come into effect from 21 September 2026.

The circular has been issued under the SEBI Act, 1992 and Securities Contracts (Regulation) framework to protect investor interests and regulate the securities market.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Relaxation in Certification Requirements for Persons Associated with Investment Advice (PAIA) Engaged in Sales and Non-Core Services**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), vide Circular dated 24 June 2026, has introduced a revised certification framework for Persons Associated with Investment Advice (PAIA) under the Investment Advisers Regulations, 2013.

The circular provides that:

- PAIA engaged exclusively in sales and other non-core services such as client interaction, relationship management, and support functions shall obtain certification by passing the newly introduced NISM Series-XXV-B: Persons Associated with Investment Advice (Sales and Other Non-Core Services) Certification Examination.
- PAIA engaged in investment advice functions shall continue to be required to pass NISM Series-X-A (Level 1) and NISM Series-X-B (Level 2) certification examinations.

- Existing certified PAIA holding NISM Series-X-A and Series-X-B certifications are exempt from immediate compliance with the new certification requirement and may obtain it upon expiry of validity of existing certifications.
- The revised framework has been introduced as part of ease of doing business and rationalisation of certification requirements.
- The provisions are effective with immediate effect.

The circular has been issued under the SEBI Act, 1992 and applicable regulations to protect investor interests and regulate securities markets.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Ministry of Finance

- **Enforcement of Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Financial Services), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification on June 23, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 7 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, concerning the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please here)

- **Enforcement of Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Life Insurance Corporation Act, 1956**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Financial Services), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3302(E) notifying June 23, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 20 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Life Insurance Corporation Act, 1956, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment relating to General Insurance Business (Nationalisation) Act, 1972**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Financial Services), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3303(E) notifying June 23, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 38 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the General Insurance Business (Nationalisation) Act, 1972, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment relating to Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 2013**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Financial Services), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3304(E) notifying June 23, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 68 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Act, 2013, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please here)

- **Continuation of anti-dumping duty on imports of Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) resin from China**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), on June 19, 2026, issued Notification imposing anti-dumping duty on imports of Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) resin having an intrinsic viscosity of 0.72 decilitres per gram or higher originating in or exported from the People's Republic of China under the Customs Tariff Act, 1975.

  The following has been stated:

  - Anti-dumping duty has been imposed pursuant to the findings of the Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) that imports of Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) resin from the People's Republic of China were being dumped in the Indian market, resulting in significant dumping margins, positive injury margins, increased imports, price undercutting and likely price suppression or depression, thereby causing injury to the domestic industry.
  - The duty shall apply to Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) resin having an intrinsic viscosity of 0.72 decilitres per gram or higher, falling under tariff items 3907 61 10, 3907 61 90, 3907 69 30 and 3907 69 90 of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975. The scope excludes recycled PET resin.
  - Anti-dumping duty of USD 200.66 per metric tonne has been imposed on imports of the subject goods originating in or exported from the People's Republic of China, including cases where the goods are exported through any other country.

- The anti-dumping duty has been imposed in supersession of Notification No. 18/2021-Customs (ADD) dated March 27, 2021.
- The anti-dumping duty shall remain in force for five years from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette, unless revoked, superseded or amended earlier, and shall be payable in Indian currency.
- The applicable exchange rate for computation of anti-dumping duty shall be the rate notified under section 14 of the Customs Act, 1962, with the relevant date being the date of presentation of the bill of entry under section 46 of the said Act.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Issuance of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (R) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), on June 16, 2026, issued Notification notifying the issuance of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (R) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37.

  - The following has been stated:
  - The Central Government has notified the issuance of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (R) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37 against amounts received in the National Small Savings Fund (NSSF) on account of redemption of specified Government securities.
  - The securities will be issued at par in the form of Stock, with a minimum subscription of ?1,00,000 and in multiples thereof and shall be credited to the Subsidiary General Ledger Account maintained with the Reserve Bank of India, Nagpur.
  - The securities will carry an interest rate of 7.70% per annum, payable on a half-yearly basis, and shall have a ten-year tenure.
  - The Government and the National Small Savings Fund may exercise call and put options, respectively, for premature redemption after two years, in accordance with the prescribed conditions.
  - The securities will be non-transferable, non-convertible unless otherwise specified by the Government, and shall be governed by the Government Securities Act, 2006.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Specification of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37 as Government securities**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), on June 16, 2026, issued Notification F. No. 5/1/2024-NS-Part(1) specifying 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37 as Government securities under the Government Securities Act, 2006.

  The following has been stated:

  - The Central Government has specified that 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37 shall be issued during FY 2026-27 in the form of Stock.
  - The securities shall be held to the credit of the holder in the Subsidiary General Ledger Account maintained by the Public Debt Office.
  - The securities shall be non-transferable.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Issuance of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs), on June 16, 2026, issued a notification regarding the issue of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37.

  The following has been stated:

  - The Central Government has notified the issue of 7.70% Government of India NSSF (C) (Non-transferable) Special Securities, 2036-37 for investments made by the National Small Savings Fund (NSSF).
  - The special securities will carry an interest rate of 7.70% per annum, payable on a half-yearly basis, and shall have a tenure of 10 years from the date of issue.
  - The securities will be issued at par, in the form of stock, with a minimum subscription of ?1,00,000 and in multiples thereof.
  - The Government will redeem the securities by exercising the call option in ten equal instalments, commencing from the year following the date of issue.
  - The securities will be non-transferable and shall be governed by the provisions of the Government Securities Act, 2006, in matters not specifically covered by the notification.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **CBIC notifies Navi Mumbai as a customs port under the Customs Act, 1962**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), on June 18, 2026, issued Notification No. 57/2026-Customs (N.T.) vide G.S.R. 495(E) amending Notification No. 27/2018-Customs (N.T.) to notify Navi Mumbai as a customs port under the Customs Act, 1962.

  The following has been stated:
  - The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has amended Notification No. 27/2018-Customs (N.T.) issued under section 7 of the Customs Act, 1962.
  - Navi Mumbai has been added to the list of customs ports notified for the unloading of imported goods and the loading of export goods under the Customs Act, 1962.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Central Excise Duty Rate Revised for Motor Spirit Blended with Alkylate**

  The Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), on June 15, 2026, issued Notification No. 30/2026-Central Excise vide G.S.R. 478(E) to amend Notification No. 06/2026-Central Excise dated March 26, 2026.
  The following has been stated:
  - The rate of central excise duty specified against serial number 2 of the Table has been revised from the existing rate to ?14 per litre.
  - The amendment has been issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5A of the Central Excise Act, 1944, read with Section 147 of the Finance Act, 2002.
  - The notification shall come into force with effect from June 16, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Ministry of Home Affairs

- **Karaikal Seaport Notified as Authorised Immigration Check Post**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, on June 23, 2026, issued Notification amending Notification No. S.O. 3987(E), dated September 1, 2025, issued under the Immigration and Foreigners Act, 2025.
  The following has been amended:
  - The Table to the principal notification has been amended by inserting Karaikal (Puducherry) as Serial No. 42 under Category II - Seaports.
  - Consequently, Karaikal has been notified as an authorised seaport for immigration purposes under the Immigration and Foreigners Act, 2025.

  The amendment came into force on June 23, 2026, being the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Foreign Contribution Rules Amended to Introduce Registration Scope and Compliance Requirements**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, on June 22, 2026, issued Notification, notifying the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2026, further amending the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Rules, 2011.

  The following has been amended:
  - A definition of "key functionary" has been inserted, and corresponding amendments have been made throughout the Rules to replace references to office bearers, governing body members and other functionaries with the newly defined term.
  - Existing registered associations are required to submit Form FC-6F within one year of commencement of the Amendment Rules specifying the purpose(s) and geographical area for which they seek to retain registration.
  - Additional registration fees have been prescribed where an application relates to more than one purpose or more than one State or Union territory. Further, associations having foreign nationals, other than persons of Indian origin, as key functionaries shall ordinarily not be eligible for registration or prior permission, subject to exceptions notified by the Central Government.
  - A new rule has been inserted prescribing that an association will be deemed to have undertaken reasonable activity if it has utilised foreign contribution of not less than INR 10 lakh during the last two financial years. Further, a new mechanism has been introduced enabling associations to apply in Form FC-6F for inclusion or deletion of approved purposes or geographical areas in their certificate of registration.

  The Rules came into force on June 22, 2026, being the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Haldia Seaport Notified as Authorised Immigration Check Post**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3278(E) amending Notification No. S.O. 3987(E), dated September 1, 2025, issued under the Immigration and Foreigners Act, 2025.

  The following has been amended:

  - The Table to the principal notification has been amended by inserting Haldia (West Bengal) as Serial No. 41 under Category II - Seaports.
  - Consequently, Haldia has been notified as an authorised seaport for immigration purposes under the Immigration and Foreigners Act, 2025.
  - The amendment came into force on June 22, 2026, being the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Pre-Test Schedule Notified for Second Phase of Census of India, 2027**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, vide Notification No. S.O. 3472(E) dated June 27, 2026, has notified the schedule for conducting the pre-test of the second phase of the Census of India, 2027 under the Census Act, 1948.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Census Act, 1948 have been extended for conducting the pre-test of the second phase of the Census of India, 2027 in the States and Union Territories.
  - The pre-test of Population Enumeration in selected sample areas shall be conducted from July 6, 2026 to July 18, 2026, followed by a revisional round from July 19, 2026 to July 20, 2026.
  - An option for self-enumeration shall be available from July 1, 2026 to July 5, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on June 27, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to Compounding Provisions under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, on June 22, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3287(E) amending the notification dated July 1, 2022, relating to the compounding of offences under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010.

  Key Highlights:

  - The notification revises the compounding fees for offences under section 35 relating to the acceptance or utilisation of foreign contribution in contravention of section 11 of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010.
  - For accepting or utilising foreign contribution in violation of section 11, the compounding amount shall be ?1 lakh or 30% of the foreign contribution received or utilised, whichever is higher.
  - A separate compounding provision has been introduced for violation of section 11 read with rule 9(1B) of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Rules, 2011, where foreign contribution is utilised for a purpose or in a State or Union Territory for which registration has not been granted. The compounding amount shall be 30% of the amount so utilised or ?1 lakh, whichever is higher.
  - The Director or the Deputy Secretary in charge of the section responsible for the administration of the Act shall be the competent authority for compounding the specified offences.
  - The notification shall apply prospectively and shall not apply to cases disposed of before its publication, and such cases shall not be reopened.

  (To view the Notification, please click here).

- **Amendment of Immigration and Foreigners Rules 2026**

  The Ministry of Home Affairs, vide Notification No. G.S.R. 424(E) dated 1st June, 2026, has amended the Immigration and Foreigners Rules, 2025.

  Key highlights are as follows:

  - The time limit for registration by eligible foreigners has been revised to allow registration before the expiry of 180 days from arrival in India.
  - Late registration after 180 days has been restricted to emergent circumstances.
  - Children with one Indian parent are exempted from registration where Indian citizenship is retained; subsequent acquisition of foreign citizenship must be intimated within 30 days.
  - The appeal procedure against directions issued by civil authorities has been streamlined by providing for online filing and disposal by the Commissioner, Bureau of Immigration, ordinarily within 60 days.

  (To view the Notification, please click here).

Ministry of Textiles

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act**

  The Ministry of Textiles, vide Notification No. S.O. 3157(E) dated June 16, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985.

  The notification stipulates that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 48 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985, shall come into force with effect from June 16, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on June 16, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Revised Hank Yarn Packing Directions Issued under Textiles (Development and Regulation) Order, 2001**

  The Ministry of Textiles (Office of the Textile Commissioner), vide Notification No. S.O. 3189(E) dated June 15, 2026, has issued revised directions governing Hank Yarn Packing Obligations under the Textiles (Development and Regulation) Order, 2001, superseding the earlier notification dated April 17, 2003.

  The notification stipulates that:

  - Every producer of cotton yarn packing yarn for domestic consumption shall pack not less than 20% of the total yarn in hank form in each quarterly period commencing from July-September 2026, with at least 80% of the required hank yarn comprising counts 80s and below.
  - Producers unable to meet the hank yarn packing obligation may fulfil it through approved reeling arrangements or by transfer of obligation to another eligible producer, subject to the prescribed conditions and reporting requirements.
  - Every producer of yarn shall submit quarterly hank yarn packing returns through the online portal www.txcindia.gov.in by the prescribed due dates.
  - Limited carry forward of shortfall and excess hank yarn packing is permitted to the immediately succeeding quarter, subject to the conditions specified in the notification.
  - The notification also prescribes provisions relating to transfer of obligations, exemptions for relief undertakings, reporting requirements, duties to furnish information, and savings of actions taken under the earlier notification.
  - The notification supersedes Notification No. 2/TDRO/8/2003 dated April 17, 2003, except in respect of actions already taken thereunder.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026, remain in force until June 30, 2029, and thereafter cease to have effect except in respect of things done or omitted to be done before such cessation.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Central Silk Board Act**

  The Ministry of Textiles, vide Notification No. S.O. 3297(E) dated June 22, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Central Silk Board Act, 1948.

  The notification stipulates that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 13 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Central Silk Board Act, 1948, shall come into force with effect from June 22, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on June 22, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Textiles Committee Act**

  The Ministry of Textiles, vide Notification No. S.O. 3333(E) dated June 22, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Textiles Committee Act, 1963.

  The notification stipulates that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 31 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Textiles Committee Act, 1963, shall come into force with effect from June 22, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Bureau of Indian Standards

- **Revision of BIS Certification Fees Schedule**

  The Bureau of Indian Standards, vide Notification No. CMD-2/G-18 dated June 10, 2026, has amended the Schedule to the Bureau of Indian Standards notification dated August 05, 2021 issued under the Bureau of Indian Standards (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018.

  The notification provides that:

  - The Schedule prescribing certification fees has been amended by substituting the fee entries relating to specified existing Indian Standards and inserting certification fee entries for additional Indian Standards, along with the applicable unit rates for large-scale enterprises and micro, small and medium enterprises, and their respective effective dates.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Establishment of BIS Standards for Commercial Electric Hoods, Road Lighting and Winding Wires**

  The Bureau of Indian Standards, vide Notification Ref. HQ-PUB013/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1555) dated June 09, 2026, has notified the establishment of the following Indian Standards:

  - IS 302 (Part 2/Sec 99): 2026 / IEC 60335-2-99:2021 Household and Similar Electrical Appliances - Safety - Part 2: Particular Requirements - Section 99: Commercial Electric Hoods has been established.
  - IS 1944: 2026 Road and Tunnel Lighting - Code of Practice (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 1944 (Parts I and II): 1970, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 8783 (Part 2): 2026 Winding Wires for Submersible Motors - Specification - Part 2: Materials for Dielectric and Jacket (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 8783 (Part 2): 1995, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 8783 (Part 3): 2026 Winding Wires for Submersible Motors - Specification - Part 3: Methods of Tests (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 8783 (Part 3): 1995, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 1): 2026 Winding Wires for Submersible Motors - Specification - Part 4: Specification for Individual Wires - Section 1: HR PVC Insulated Wires (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 1): 1995, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 2): 2026 Winding Wires for Submersible Motors - Specification - Part 4: Specification for Individual Wires - Section 2: Crosslinked Polyethylene Insulated and Polyamide Jacketed Wires (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 2): 1995, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 3): 2026 Winding Wires for Submersible Motors - Specification - Part 4: Specification for Individual Wires - Section 3: Polyester and Polypropylene Insulated Winding Wires (Second Revision) has been established in supersession of IS 8783 (Part 4/Sec 3): 1995, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.
  - IS 19465: 2026 Time-Delay Switches (TDS) for Household and Similar Fixed Electrical Installations - Particular Requirements (IEC 60669-2-3:2024, MOD) has been established.
  - IS 29997: 2026 / ISO 29997:2025 Internships - Quality Guidelines for Host Organizations has been established.
  - IS/IEC 60136: 2024 Dimensions, Marking and Testing of Carbon Brushes and Dimensions of Brush-Holders for Electrical Machinery has been established in supersession of IS 14376: 1996, which shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Withdrawal of BIS Standards relating to Insulator Fittings, High Voltage Insulators and Electrical Measuring Instruments**

  The Bureau of Indian Standards, vide Notification No. HQ-PUB017/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1558) dated June 11, 2026, has notified the withdrawal of certain Indian Standards under Rule 15(1) of the Bureau of Indian Standards Rules, 2018.

  The notification states that:

  - IS 2486 (Part III): 1974 - Specification for Insulator Fittings for Overhead Power Lines With a Nominal Voltage Greater Than 1 000 Volts - Part III: Locking Devices stands withdrawn with effect from June 10, 2026.
  - IS 2486 (Part IV): 1981 - Specification for Insulator Fittings for Overhead Power Lines With a Nominal Voltage Greater Than 1 000 Volts - Part IV: Tests for Locking Devices stands withdrawn with effect from June 10, 2026.
  - IS 8269: 1976 - Methods for Switching Impulse Tests on High Voltage Insulators stands withdrawn with effect from June 10, 2026.
  - IS 8765: 1978 - Specification for Ceramic Insulating Materials for Electrical Purposes stands withdrawn with effect from June 10, 2026.
  - IS 14571: 1998 / IEC 1028:1991 - Electrical Measuring Instruments - X-Y Recorders stands withdrawn with effect from June 10, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment of BIS Standard for Stationary Lead-Acid Cells and Batteries**

  The Bureau of Indian Standards, vide Notification No. HQ-PUB015/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1557) dated June 11, 2026, has notified an amendment to an Indian Standard under Rule 15(1) of the Bureau of Indian Standards Rules, 2018.

  The notification states that:

  - IS 1651: 2013 – Stationary Cells and Batteries, Lead-Acid Type (With Tubular Positive Plates) — Specification (Fourth Revision) has been amended vide Amendment No. 1 (June 2026). The amendment shall come into effect from June 10, 2026, and the unamended Standard shall remain in force till December 09, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Establishment of New Indian Standards and Withdrawal of Superseded Standards**

  The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), vide Notification Ref. HQ-PUB013/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1556) dated 9th June, 2026, has notified the establishment of new Indian Standards under Rule 15(1) of the Bureau of Indian Standards Rules, 2018. The notification has been published on June 18, 2026.

  Key highlights are as follows:

  - Established revised Indian Standards for Rim Locks and Latches (IS 9131:2026) and Ships and Marine Technology - Embarkation Ladders (IS 16234:2026), replacing the earlier versions.
  - Introduced new Indian Standards for Wire Reinforced Asbestos Fibre-Based Jointing Sheets (IS 19607:2026), Alternative Drinking Water Service Provision During a Crisis (IS 19757:2026), and Chemical Analysis of Refractory Products by X-ray Fluorescence (IS 19819:2026).
  - The earlier versions of IS 9131:2021 and IS 16234:2015 will remain in force concurrently until 9th December, 2026, after which they will be withdrawn.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Employees' Provident Fund Organisation

- **EPFO notifies Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance (EDLI) Scheme, 2026 under the Code on Social Security**

  The Ministry of Labour and Employment has notified the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance (EDLI) Scheme, 2026 dated June 29, 2026, replacing the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976. The scheme has been issued under the Code on Social Security, 2020 and will apply to establishments covered under Chapter III of the Code.

  Key Highlights:

  - The Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976 has been superseded by the EDLI Scheme, 2026, while preserving actions taken under the earlier scheme.
  - Employers are required to remit EDLI contributions and administrative charges electronically within 15 days of the close of every month. The employer remains responsible for contributions relating to both direct employees and contract workers.
  - Employers are prohibited from recovering the employer's EDLI contribution from employees' wages and must furnish prescribed returns, maintain records, and produce registers for inspection whenever required by EPFO authorities.
  - The scheme prescribes a revised framework for assurance (insurance) benefits payable upon the death of a provident fund member. The benefit is linked to the employee's average Provident Fund balance and wages, with an overall minimum benefit of ₹2.5 lakh and maximum benefit of ₹7 lakh, subject to the conditions prescribed under the scheme.
  - Complete claims accompanied by the prescribed documents are required to be settled within 20 days of receipt. In cases of unjustified delay, interest may be levied and recovered from the responsible officer in accordance with the scheme.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Industry-wise updates

Agriculture & other rural sectors

- **Insecticides (Amendment) Rules, 2026**

  The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, on June 17, 2026, issued the Insecticides (Amendment) Rules, 2026 vide Notification No. G.S.R. 493(E), amending the Insecticides Rules, 1971.

  The following has been amended:
  - Applications for licences to manufacture, sell, stock, exhibit for sale or distribute insecticides are required to be submitted in digital mode.
  - Manufacturers, importers and dealers are required to maintain digital records of sales, stock, manufacture and import of insecticides, replacing the option of maintaining physical records.
  - Manufacturers and importers are required to submit monthly digital returns relating to technical grade and formulated insecticides within 15 days from the close of each month.
  - Inspection, sampling, reporting, fee payment and related regulatory communications have been enabled through digital mode, including digital maintenance of inspection records by Insecticide Inspectors.
  - The prescribed formats for sales registers, stock registers and monthly returns have been revised and substituted to align with the digital compliance framework.

  The Rules shall come into force after the expiry of 90 days from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Chemical industries

- **Amendment to the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022**

  The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals), on June 25, 2026, issued Order No. S.O. 3456(E) amending the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022.

  The following has been amended:
  - The period for suspension of the operation of the Linear Alkyl Benzene (Quality Control) Order, 2022 has been revised in view of global supply chain disruptions and to ensure the continued availability of Linear Alkyl Benzene.
  - The Order provides that the suspension shall remain in force from July 1, 2026, to September 30, 2026.

  The amendment shall take effect from July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution

- **Amendment to the Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Rules, 2013**

  The Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, on June 17, 2026, issued Notification No. G.S.R. 489(E) notifying the Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Second Amendment Rules, 2026, to amend the Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Rules, 2013.

  The following has been notified:
  - Rule 18(3) has been substituted to prescribe a renewal fee of ?10,000 per equipment for renewal of recognition of a Government Approved Test Centre for a period of one year.

  The amendment came into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Commerce and Industries

- **Transition Facilitation Order for Compliance with Quality Control Orders**

  The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, on June 25, 2026, issued the Transition Facilitation (Quality Control) Order, 2026 vide S.O. 3417(E) under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act, 2016.

  The following has been notified:
  - Companies incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013 may obtain permission to procure BIS-certified goods from licensed manufacturers under specified Quality Control Orders, subject to approval by DPIIT.

- Manufacturers supplying under the Order are required to obtain a BIS licence, while the permitted company is responsible for ensuring that the goods conform to the applicable Indian Standards.
- BIS, in consultation with DPIIT, will conduct market surveillance to verify continued compliance of goods supplied under the Order.
- Applications for permission may be submitted within twenty-four months from the commencement of the Order, and the Order shall remain in force for five years unless extended.

The Order comes into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Enforcement of Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Tea Act, 1953**

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce), on June 24, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3375(E) appointing June 24, 2026 as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Tea Act, 1953, shall come into force.

The following has been notified:

- The amendments made under serial number 17 of the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 in relation to the Tea Act, 1953 have been brought into force with effect from June 24, 2026.

The notification came into force on June 24, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Enforcement of Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Marine Products Export Development Authority Act, 1972**

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce), on June 23, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3369(E) appointing June 23, 2026 as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Marine Products Export Development Authority Act, 1972, shall come into force.

The following has been notified:

- The amendments made under serial number 37 of the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 in relation to the Marine Products Export Development Authority Act, 1972 have been brought into force with effect from June 23, 2026.

The notification came into force on June 23, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Act**

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce), on June 23, 2026, issued Notification appointing June 23, 2026 as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Act, 1985, shall come into force.

The following has been notified:

- The amendments made under serial number 50 of the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 in relation to the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority Act, 1985 have been brought into force with effect from June 23, 2026.

The notification came into force on June 23, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to Footwear made from Leather and other Materials (Quality Control) Order, 2024**

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, on June 12, 2026, issued the Footwear made from Leather and other Materials (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2026 vide S.O. 3038(E). The notification was published on June 15,2026.

The following amendments have been introduced:

- The exemption provided under the third proviso has been extended by substituting the date "31st July, 2026" with "31st July, 2027".

- A new proviso has been inserted exempting the import of up to 4,500 pairs of footwear or related goods/articles per year by manufacturers of leather and footwear products for research and development and non-commercial use.
- The exemption is subject to the conditions that the imported goods:
- shall not be sold commercially;
- shall be marked and embossed with the words "NOT FOR SALE";
- shall be disposed of as scrap after use; and
- the manufacturer shall maintain year-wise records and furnish them to the Government whenever required.

The Amendment Order came into force on June 12, 2026, i.e., the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to Footwear made from All Rubber and All Polymeric Material and its Components (Quality Control) Order, 2024**

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, on June 12, 2026, issued a notification vide S.O. 3037(E), notifying the Footwear made from All Rubber and All Polymeric Material and its Components (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2026. The notification was published on June 15,2026.

The following has been amended:

- The exemption provided under the fifth proviso has been extended by substituting the date 31st July, 2026 with 31st July, 2027.
- A new proviso has been inserted providing that the Order shall not apply to the import of up to 4,500 pairs of goods or articles per year by manufacturers of leather and footwear products for research and development and non-commercial use, subject to the following conditions:
  - the imported goods shall not be sold commercially;
  - the goods shall be marked and embossed with the words "NOT FOR SALE";
  - the goods shall be disposed of as scrap; and
  - the manufacturer shall maintain year-wise records and furnish them to the Government as and when required.

The Amendment Order came into force on June 12, 2026, being the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Marine Products Export Development Authority (Amendment) Rules, 2026: Registration Framework Revised and Fee Structure Rationalised**

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce), on June 9, 2026, issued the Marine Products Export Development Authority (Amendment) Rules, 2026 vide Notification No. G.S.R. 456(E), amending the Marine Products Export Development Authority Rules, 1972. The notification was published on June 16,2026.

The following has been stated:

- Rule 33 has been substituted to prescribe separate online application forms for registration of fishing vessels, processing plants, storage premises, conveyances, peeling sheds, handling centres, ice plants and other marine product handling centres.
- A comprehensive fee structure has been introduced for registration, renewal, endorsements, transfer of entities, change of particulars and dealer/exporter registration, based on the type and capacity of the entity.
- Rule 34 has been amended to provide that certificates of registration shall be issued in the prescribed forms applicable to the registered entity, subject to the conditions specified therein.
- Rule 38 has been revised to require a transferee of a registered entity to apply for registration of the transfer within one month of the transfer, along with supporting documents.
- Rule 39 has been amended to require owners to seek prior approval at least thirty days in advance for changes relating to location, layout, capacity or place of operation of registered entities.
- Rule 41 has been amended to introduce an online registration process for dealer registration, prescribe a ₹200 application fee along with a financial status certificate, and provide a registration fee of ₹5,000.
- Rule 42 has been amended to provide for issuance of registration certificates to exporters and dealers in the prescribed forms, subject to specified conditions.

- Rule 43 has been amended to empower the Secretary, Marine Products Export Development Authority to cancel dealer registrations obtained through false information or for contravention of the Rules, after providing an opportunity of being heard.
- Rule 45 has been substituted to require the Marine Products Export Development Authority to maintain online records of all registered entities, including details of registrations, amendments, transfers, cancellations and applicable conditions.

New application and registration forms have been inserted after Form II(d) to support the revised registration framework.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Home

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971**

  The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (Directorate of Estates), on June 24, 2026, issued Notification, the provisions at Serial No. 36 in the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971, shall come into force.

  The notification will come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Delhi Development Act, 1957**

  The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, on June 24, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3377(E) notifying August 1, 2026, as the date on which the provisions at Serial No. 25 in the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Delhi Development Act, 1957, shall come into force.

  The notification will come into force on August 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Health

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment relating to National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Act, 2021**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, on June 18, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3242(E) notifying July 1, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 73 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Act, 2021, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3273(E) notifying June 22, 2026, being the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 67 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010, shall come into force.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 to Come into Force**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3274(E) notifying October 1, 2026, as the date on which the provisions at Serial No. 62 in the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, shall come into force.

  The notification shall come into force on October 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3286(E) notifying June 30, 2027, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 8 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, shall come into force.

The notification shall come into force on June 30, 2027.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Pharmacy Act, 1948**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3276(E) notifying June 22, 2026, being the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 9 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Pharmacy Act, 1948, shall come into force.

  The notification came into force on June 22, 2026, being the date of its publication in the Official Gazette

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Drugs Rules Amended to Introduce Additional Labelling Requirements under Schedule H2**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. G.S.R. 506(E) notifying the Drugs (Seventh Amendment) Rules, 2026, further amending the Drugs Rules, 1945.

  The following has been amended:

  - Schedule H2 to the Drugs Rules, 1945 has been amended by renumbering the existing table as Table 1 and inserting Table 2 thereafter.
  - Table 2 prescribes additional labelling requirements for specified therapeutic categories of drug formulations, namely, all vaccines, all antimicrobials, all narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances listed under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and the rules made thereunder, and all anticancer drugs.
  - The amendments have been notified after consideration of the objections and suggestions received from the public on the draft rules published vide Notification No. G.S.R. 757(E), dated October 16, 2025, and after consultation with the Drugs Technical Advisory Board.

  The Rules shall come into force on July 1, 2027, except Serial No. 2 in Table 2 of clause (b) of rule 2, which shall come into force on July 1, 2028.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Amendment to Drugs Rules Proposes Revised Residual Shelf-Life Requirement for Imported Drugs**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 22, 2026, issued Draft Notification No. G.S.R. 505(E) proposing further amendments to the Drugs Rules, 1945 and invited objections and suggestions from stakeholders within 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

  The following has been proposed:

  - Rule 31 of the Drugs Rules, 1945 is proposed to be amended by substituting the second proviso relating to the residual shelf-life requirement for imported drugs.
  - The licensing authority shall not permit the import of any drug having less than one year of residual shelf-life as on the date of import.
  - In the case of biological drugs and radiopharmaceuticals, import may be permitted where the drug has a residual shelf-life of at least 60% of its labelled shelf-life.

  The draft rules will be taken into consideration after the expiry of 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Amendment to New Drugs and Clinical Trial Rules Proposes Revised Periodic Safety Update Report Requirements**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 22, 2026, issued Draft Notification No. G.S.R. 504(E) proposing further amendments to the New Drugs and Clinical Trial Rules, 2019 and invited objections and suggestions from stakeholders within 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

  The following has been proposed:

  - A proviso is proposed to be inserted after paragraph 1(5)(C)(iii) of the Fifth Schedule to the New Drugs and Clinical Trial Rules, 2019 prescribing revised timelines for submission of Periodic Safety Update Reports (PSURs) for specified categories of new drugs.

- For new drugs covered under rule 2(1)(w)(iv), PSURs are proposed to be submitted every six months for the first two years after approval, annually for the subsequent two years and thereafter once every three years until the drug product is marketed.
- For new drugs covered under rule 2(1)(w)(v), PSURs are proposed to be submitted every six months for the first two years after approval and annually thereafter until the drug product is marketed.

The draft rules will be taken into consideration after the expiry of 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Amendment to Drugs Rules Proposes Prior Intimation Framework for Import of Drugs for Analytical and Non-Clinical Testing**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 23, 2026, issued Draft Notification No. G.S.R. 509(E) proposing further amendments to the Drugs Rules, 1945 and invited objections and suggestions from stakeholders within 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

The following has been proposed:

- Rules 33, 34 and 35 of the Drugs Rules, 1945 are proposed to be amended to extend the existing regulatory framework governing import licences to acknowledgements of prior intimation for specified imports.
- A proviso is proposed to be inserted in rule 34 to permit import of drugs for analytical and non-clinical testing, excluding sex hormones, cytotoxic drugs, beta lactam drugs, biologics containing live microorganisms, and narcotic and psychotropic drugs, based on an online prior intimation submitted in Form 12 to the Central Licensing Authority.
- Consequential amendments are proposed in rule 35 to provide an appeal mechanism where an acknowledgement of prior intimation is cancelled, permitting an appeal to the Central Government within three months from the date of the order.
- Form 12 in Schedule A is proposed to be amended to incorporate references to prior intimation in addition to import licences.

The draft rules will be taken into consideration after the expiry of 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette containing the notification are made available to the public.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Assisted Reproductive Technology Rules Amended to Prescribe Registration Fee Utilisation and Renewal Framework**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health Research), on June 17, 2026, issued Notification No. G.S.R. 491(E) notifying the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2026, further amending the Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Rules, 2022.

The following has been amended:

- New rules 7A and 8A have been inserted to prescribe the mode of deposit and utilisation of registration and renewal fees, and the procedure for renewal of registration of assisted reproductive technology clinics and banks.
- Applications for renewal of registration are required to be submitted through the National Registry portal at least 60 days before the expiry of the certificate of registration, along with the prescribed non-refundable renewal fee applicable to the category of clinic or bank.
- Where an application for renewal is not submitted within the prescribed period, the applicant shall be required to pay the application fee applicable for initial registration, except Government-run establishments, which are exempt from payment of renewal fees.
- The appropriate authority shall renew or reject the application within 60 days after inspection and verification of compliance with the Act and the Rules. A renewed certificate of registration shall remain valid for a further period of five years from the date of expiry of the earlier certificate.

The Rules came into force on June 17, 2026, being the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Surrogacy Rules Amended to Prescribe Registration Fee Utilisation and Renewal Framework**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health Research), on June 17, 2026, issued Notification No. G.S.R. 492(E) notifying the Surrogacy (Regulation) Amendment Rules, 2026, further amending the Surrogacy (Regulation) Rules, 2022.

The following has been amended:

- New rules 10A and 11A have been inserted to prescribe the mode of deposit and utilisation of registration and renewal fees, and the procedure for renewal of registration of surrogacy clinics.

- Applications for renewal of registration are required to be submitted through the National Registry portal at least 60 days before the expiry of the certificate of registration, along with the prescribed non-refundable renewal fee of INR 1 lakh.
- Where an application for renewal is not submitted within the prescribed period, the applicant shall be required to pay the application fee applicable for initial registration, i.e., INR 2 lakh, except Government-run establishments, which are exempt from payment of renewal fees.
- The appropriate authority shall renew or reject the application within 60 days after inspection and verification of compliance with the Act and the Rules. A renewed certificate of registration shall remain valid for a further period of three years from the date of expiry of the earlier certificate.

The Rules came into force on June 17, 2026, being the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Medical Devices (Amendment) Rules, 2026 Issued for Public Consultation**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, vide Notification No. G.S.R. 515(E) dated June 23, 2026, has published the draft Medical Devices (Amendment) Rules, 2026 for public consultation, proposing amendments to the Medical Devices Rules, 2017.

The notification provides that:

- The State Licensing Authority shall complete scrutiny of applications for Class B medical devices within 30 days from the date of online submission before assigning them to a Notified Body. Where rectifiable deficiencies are identified, the timeline shall be counted from the date such deficiencies are removed.
- Manufacturing sites shall be required to comply with the prescribed Quality Management System (QMS) requirements, and such compliance shall be verified through an audit by a Notified Body before grant of licence.
- The Notified Body shall complete the audit within 30 days of assignment and submit the audit report to the State Licensing Authority. In cases of QMS non-conformities, compliance verification shall be completed within 20 days from receipt of the manufacturer's compliance report.
- The Notified Body shall submit its final audit report along with recommendations to the State Licensing Authority within 15 days of completion of the audit.
- The timeline under Rule 21(4) for grant of licence has been proposed to be reduced from 45 days to 30 days.
- The timeline under Rule 23(1) for inspection has been proposed to be reduced from 60 days to 55 days. A new provision also requires compliance verification within 15 days where QMS non-conformities are identified during inspection.
- The timeline under Rule 25(1) has been proposed to be reduced from 45 days to 20 days.
- Objections and suggestions on the draft rules may be submitted within 30 days from the date on which copies of the Gazette are made available to the public.

The draft rules shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette, unless otherwise specified.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Fixed Dose Combination of Acetyl Salicylic Acid and Ethoheptazine Prohibited for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3068(E) prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Acetyl Salicylic Acid + Ethoheptazine under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940. The notification was published on June 15,2026.

The following has been stated:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Acetyl Salicylic Acid + Ethoheptazine for human use, with immediate effect.
- The prohibition has been issued on the recommendation of the Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), which concluded that the combination is irrational, lacks therapeutic justification, and safer alternatives are available.
- The decision follows the examination of the fixed dose combination by an Expert Committee and the DTAB Sub-Committee, which found that the available scientific evidence does not support its rationality.
- The notification has been issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

(To view the notification, please click here).

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Aloe vera + Jojoba oil + Wheat germ oil + Tea tree oil for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3069(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe vera + Jojoba oil + Wheat germ oil + Tea tree oil for human use with immediate effect.

  Key Highlights of the notification:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe vera + Jojoba oil + Wheat germ oil + Tea tree oil for human use with immediate effect.
  - The prohibition has been issued after the Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which concluded that the fixed dose combination lacks therapeutic justification and is irrational based on available scientific evidence.
  - The Government noted that the use of the fixed dose combination is likely to involve risk to human beings when safer alternatives are available.
  - Before making the recommendation, stakeholders and manufacturers were provided an opportunity to submit data in support of the fixed dose combination through public notices.
  - The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

  The notification was published on June 15,2026.

  (To view the notification, please click here).

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase + Lactobacillus Sporogenes for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3070(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase + Lactobacillus Sporogenes for human use with immediate effect.

  Key Highlights:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase + Lactobacillus Sporogenes for human use with immediate effect.
  - The Expert Committee concluded that the combination is pharmacodynamically irrelevant, lacks sound clinical evidence supporting the concurrent use of Amoxicillin and Serratiopeptidase, is not in accordance with standard therapeutic guidelines, and is considered irrational based on available scientific evidence.
  - The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
  - Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
  - The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

  The notification was published on June 15,2026.

  (To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide + Chlordiazepoxide for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3071(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide + Chlordiazepoxide for human use with immediate effect.

  Key Highlights:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide + Chlordiazepoxide for human use with immediate effect.
  - The Expert Committee observed that combining Dicyclomine, which has potent anticholinergic and smooth muscle relaxant properties, with another anticholinergic agent,

Clidinium Bromide, is not therapeutically justified. The Committee further concluded that available scientific evidence does not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination lacks therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15,2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3072(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights:
- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the combination is pharmacodynamically irrelevant, lacks sound clinical evidence supporting the concurrent use of Amoxicillin and Serratiopeptidase, is not in accordance with standard therapeutic guidelines, and is considered irrational based on available scientific evidence.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Aloe Extract + Allantoin + Alphatocopherol Acetate + D-Penthenol + Vitamin A for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3073(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Extract + Allantoin + Alphatocopherol Acetate + D-Penthenol + Vitamin A for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights:
- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Extract + Allantoin + Alphatocopherol Acetate + D-Penthenol + Vitamin A for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination and considered it irrational.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here).

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Aloe Extract + Vitamin E + Dimethicone + Glycerine for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3074(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Extract + Vitamin E + Dimethicone + Glycerine for human use with immediate effect.

The following has been issued:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Extract + Vitamin E + Dimethicone + Glycerine for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination and considered it irrational.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Aloe Vera + Orange Oil for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3076(E) under Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Vera + Orange Oil for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights are as follows:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Vera + Orange Oil for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination and considered it irrational.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here).

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Aloe Vera + Vitamin E + Herbal for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3077(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Vera + Vitamin E + Herbal for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Aloe Vera + Vitamin E + Herbal for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination and additionally noted that the product was not well-defined or characterised, considering it irrational.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3078(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide for human use with immediate effect.

  Key Highlights:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Dicyclomine + Paracetamol + Clidinium Bromide for human use with immediate effect.
  - The Expert Committee concluded that Dicyclomine has potent anti-cholinergic and smooth muscle relaxant properties, and combining it with another anti-cholinergic agent like Clidinium is not justified; available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the combination.
  - The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
  - Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
  - The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

  The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

  (To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Paracetamol + Lignocaine for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3079(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Paracetamol + Lignocaine for human use with immediate effect.

  Key Highlights:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Paracetamol + Lignocaine for human use with immediate effect.
  - The Expert Committee concluded that the available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the fixed dose combination, considered it irrational, and noted a possibility of risk associated with the combination.
  - The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
  - Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
  - The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

  The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

  (To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Gliclazide + Chromium Picolinate for Human Use**

  The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3080(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Gliclazide + Chromium Picolinate for human use with immediate effect.

  The following has been stated:

  - The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Gliclazide + Chromium Picolinate for human use with immediate effect.
  - The Expert Committee concluded that national and international standard treatment guidelines for Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus do not recommend the use of Chromium Picolinate, and that available data and peer-reviewed scientific evidence do not support the rationality of the combination.
  - The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
  - Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.

- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Amoxicillin + Cloxacillin + Lactic Acid Bacillus + Serratiopeptidase for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3081(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Cloxacillin + Lactic Acid Bacillus + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Amoxicillin + Cloxacillin + Lactic Acid Bacillus + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the combination is pharmacodynamically irrelevant, lacks sound clinical evidence supporting concurrent use of the constituent antibiotics, is not in accordance with standard therapeutic guidelines, and is considered irrational based on available scientific evidence.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Cefadroxyl + Probenecid for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3082(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Cefadroxyl + Probenecid for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights are as follows:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Cefadroxyl + Probenecid for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that no pharmacokinetic data exists to substantiate the addition of Probenecid to Cefadroxyl with regard to dose titration, and did not recommend the combination in the absence of such studies.
- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Prohibition of Fixed Dose Combination of Cefuroxime + Serratiopeptidase for Human Use**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 11, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3083(E) under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Cefuroxime + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.

Key Highlights:

- The Central Government has prohibited the manufacture, sale and distribution of the fixed dose combination of Cefuroxime + Serratiopeptidase for human use with immediate effect.
- The Expert Committee concluded that the combination is pharmacodynamically irrelevant, lacks sound clinical evidence supporting concurrent use of Cefuroxime and Serratiopeptidase, is not in accordance with standard therapeutic guidelines, and is considered irrational based on available scientific evidence.

- The Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB) accepted the recommendations of its Sub-Committee, which found that the fixed dose combination has no therapeutic justification and recommended its prohibition in the interest of public health.
- Manufacturers and other stakeholders were provided an opportunity to submit supporting data through public notices before the final recommendation was made.
- The notification has been issued under section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, in the interest of public health.

The notification was published on June 15, 2026.

(To view the notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to the Drugs Rules, 1945 for Testing of Veterinary Vaccines**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), on June 18, 2026, issued Notification G.S.R. 496(E) notifying the Drugs (Sixth Amendment) Rules, 2026 to amend the Drugs Rules, 1945 with respect to the testing of specified veterinary vaccines.

Key Highlights:

- The Drugs (Sixth Amendment) Rules, 2026 have been notified and came into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- Rule 3A(9) of the Drugs Rules, 1945 has been substituted to designate the Chaudhary Charan Singh National Institute of Animal Health, Baghpat, Uttar Pradesh, as the laboratory responsible for testing specified viral and bacterial veterinary vaccines.
- The Director of the Chaudhary Charan Singh National Institute of Animal Health shall exercise the functions of the Director in respect of the notified veterinary vaccines.
- The notification specifies a list of 42 veterinary vaccines, including vaccines for avian diseases, canine diseases, swine fever, blackquarter, haemorrhagic septicaemia, tetanus, theileriosis, peste des petits ruminants and Ranikhet disease, which shall be tested by the designated laboratory.
- The amendment has been issued after the draft rules were published for public consultation, during which no objections or suggestions were received.

(To view the Notification, please click here).

Law & Justice

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882**

The Ministry of Law and Justice (Department of Justice), on June 22, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3305(E) notifying July 1, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the amendments to the Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882, as specified against Serial No. 3 of the Schedule to the Act, shall come into force.

The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment to Court-fees Act, 1870**

The Ministry of Law and Justice (Department of Justice), on June 23, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3347(E) notifying July 8, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the amendments to the Court-fees Act, 1870, as specified against Serial No. 1 of the Schedule to the Act, shall come into force.

The notification shall come into force on July 8, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Correction Issued to Notification Bringing Jan Vishwas Amendments under Presidency Small Cause Courts Act**

The Ministry of Law and Justice (Department of Justice), on June 23, 2026, issued Corrigendum Notification No. S.O. 3374(E) correcting Notification No. S.O. 3305(E) dated June 22, 2026 relating to the commencement of provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 concerning the Presidency Small Cause Courts Act, 1882.

The following has been corrected:

- In paragraph 1, serial number 1 of Notification No. S.O. 3305(E), the reference to "Amendment of Provisions Act, 2026" has been corrected to "Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026."

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Mining

- **Amendment to the Coal Mines Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1948**
  The Ministry of Coal, on June 23, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3343(E) appointing the date of publication of the notification as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Coal Mines Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1948 shall come into force.

  The following has been notified:
  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 12 in the Schedule, concerning the Coal Mines Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1948, have been brought into force with effect from the date of publication of the notification.

  The notification came into force on June 23, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment to the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015**
  The Ministry of Coal, on June 23, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3344(E) appointing the date of publication of the notification as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015 shall come into force.

  The following has been notified:
  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 69 in the Schedule, concerning the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015, have been brought into force with effect from the date of publication of the notification.

  The notification came into force on June 23, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Insurance Surety Bonds Permitted for Coal Block Allocation**
  The Ministry of Coal, on June 22, 2026, issued the Coal Blocks Allocation (Amendment) Rules, 2026 vide G.S.R. 508(E), amending the Coal Blocks Allocation Rules, 2017.

  The following has been amended:
  - The term "performance bank guarantee" has been substituted with "performance bank guarantee or insurance surety bond" throughout the Rules.
  - Successful allocatees who had furnished a performance bank guarantee before the commencement of the Amendment Rules have been given the option to replace it with an insurance surety bond.

  The Amendment Rules came into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Enforcement of Amendments to the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act, 1957**
  The Ministry of Coal, on June 17, 2026, issued Notification S.O. 3245(E) appointing the date of its publication in the Official Gazette as the date on which the relevant provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act, 1957, shall come into force.

  The following has been notified:
  The amendments introduced under Serial No. 24 of the Schedule to the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, concerning the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act, 1957, have been brought into force with effect from the date of publication of the notification.
  The notification came into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957**
  The Ministry of Mines, vide Notification No. S.O. 3366(E) dated June 23, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

  The notification provides that:

- The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 27 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, shall come into force with effect from August 1, 2026.

The notification shall come into force on August 1, 2026.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Offshore Areas Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 2002**

  The Ministry of Mines, vide Notification No. S.O. 3367(E) dated June 23, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Offshore Areas Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 2002.

  The notification provides that:
  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 57 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Offshore Areas Mineral (Development and Regulation) Act, 2002, shall come into force with effect from August 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on August 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Telecommunication

- **Draft of Telecommunications (Spectrum Assignment by Administrative Process) Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Telecommunications, on June 17, 2026, issued Notification No. G.S.R. 494(E) publishing the Draft Telecommunications (Spectrum Assignment by Administrative Process) Rules, 2026 to prescribe the framework for administrative assignment of spectrum under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The following has been proposed:
  - To prescribe a comprehensive framework for administrative assignment of spectrum, including eligibility conditions, application procedure and grant of spectrum assignments for specified categories under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.
  - To introduce a fully digital mechanism for submission of applications, grant, renewal, modification and surrender of spectrum assignments through a designated online portal.
  - To prescribe operational and compliance obligations for spectrum assignees, including adherence to technical and security requirements, reporting of security incidents and restrictions on transfer of spectrum assignments.
  - To empower the Central Government to modify assignment conditions, prescribe technical standards and enforce compliance through suspension, revocation or curtailment of spectrum assignments in case of violations.

  The draft Rules will be taken into consideration after the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of the notification. Objections or suggestions received within the prescribed period will be considered before the Rules are finalised.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Revision of Standards for End Point Devices for Environmental Monitoring**

  The Department of Telecommunications (Telecommunication Engineering Centre), on June 19, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3349(E) notifying the revised standards for End Point Devices for Environmental Monitoring under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.
  The following has been introduced:
  - Revised standards for End Point Devices for Environmental Monitoring have been notified under the Telecommunications (Framework to Notify Standards, Conformity Assessment and Certification) Rules, 2025.
  - The revised standards will take effect from the date of publication of the notification in the Official Gazette.
  - The existing and revised standards will remain in force concurrently for 90 days from the date of publication, after which only the revised standards will be applicable.

  The notification is effective from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette, with a 90-day transition period for compliance with the revised standards.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Enforcement of Provisions under the Telecommunications Act, 2023**

  The Department of Telecommunications, on June 23, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3368(E) appointing the date for the enforcement of certain provisions of the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The following has been notified:

  - Section 3(1) and Section 3(6) of the Telecommunications Act, 2023 have been brought into force.
  - The provisions shall come into effect from June 23, 2026.

  The notified provisions are effective from June 23, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Telecommunications (Terms and Conditions for Migration) Rules, 2026**

  The Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications), vide Notification No. G.S.R. 510(E) dated June 23, 2026, has notified the Telecommunications (Terms and Conditions for Migration) Rules, 2026 under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The Rules provide a framework for migration of existing telecom licences to the authorisation regime introduced under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The key highlights are as follows:

  - Eligible licensees may apply for migration to the corresponding authorisation by fulfilling the prescribed eligibility conditions and timelines.
  - Applications must be submitted through the designated digital portal along with the applicable processing fee and prescribed documents.
  - The Central Government may issue a Letter of Intent specifying conditions such as payment of applicable fees, submission of guarantees, and relinquishment of overlapping authorisations before approving migration.
  - Existing rights, obligations, financial dues, roll-out obligations, allocated spectrum, telecom identifiers, and other permissions under the original licences will continue to remain applicable even after migration.
  - The Rules also provide for digital implementation of the migration process through a notified portal and empower the Central Government to issue guidelines and directions for effective implementation.

  The notification establishes the procedural framework for seamless migration of existing telecom licence holders to the new authorisation regime under the Telecommunications Act, 2023, while ensuring continuity of existing regulatory obligations and permissions.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Notification of Telecom eServices Portal**

  The Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications), vide Notification No. S.O 3370(E) dated June 23, 2026, has notified the Telecom eServices Portal under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The key highlights are as follows:

  - The Telecom eServices Portal has been notified for the digital implementation of the provisions of the Telecommunications Act, 2023.
  - The Portal will facilitate implementation of the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Principal Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026, the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Miscellaneous Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026, the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Captive Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026, and the Telecommunications (Terms and Conditions for Migration) Rules, 2026.
  - The notification has been issued in exercise of the powers under Section 53 of the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The notification operationalises the Telecom eServices Portal as the designated digital platform for implementing key provisions of the Telecommunications Act, 2023 and the rules framed thereunder.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Miscellaneous Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026**

  The Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications), on June 23, 2026, issued the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Miscellaneous Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026 vide Notification No. G.S.R. 512(E) under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

  The following has been stated:

  - A framework has been introduced for grant of authorisation to provide miscellaneous telecommunication services, including public mobile radio trunking services, enterprise communication services, machine-to-machine services, Prime Minister Wi-Fi Access Network Interface services, in-flight and maritime connectivity services, and aeronautical data communication services.

- Eligible persons intending to provide the specified services may apply to the Central Government through the designated digital portal, along with the prescribed non-refundable processing fee and an auditor's certificate confirming fulfilment of the eligibility conditions.
- Applicants holding any overlapping licence or authorisation are required to relinquish such licence or authorisation as a condition for obtaining authorisation under the Rules.
- The Central Government may issue a Letter of Intent requiring compliance with specified conditions, including payment of the entry fee, submission of an unconditional and irrevocable guarantee, and relinquishment of overlapping authorisations before grant of authorisation. However, authorisations for machine-to-machine services, Prime Minister Wi-Fi Access Network Interface services, and in-flight and maritime connectivity services shall be granted without a prior Letter of Intent.
- Every authorisation shall be granted on a non-exclusive basis for a period not exceeding twenty years, renewable for a further period of up to twenty years, and shall not by itself confer any right to assignment or use of spectrum.
- Authorisation fees for public mobile radio trunking services and enterprise communication services have been prescribed at eight per cent of Adjusted Gross Revenue, subject to minimum prescribed amounts, while machine-to-machine services, Prime Minister Wi-Fi Access Network Interface services, in-flight and maritime connectivity services, and aeronautical data communication services shall be subject to nil or nominal annual fees.
- Authorised entities are required to comply with prescribed reporting and disclosure obligations, including annual certification of equity details, reporting changes in shareholding, and furnishing information as required by the Central Government.
- The Rules prescribe security and data governance requirements, including majority Indian citizen representation on the board, security clearance for foreign nationals, localisation of data, logs and records within India, and procurement of telecommunication equipment only from trusted sources and trusted products.
- Authorised entities are required to maintain commercial records, subscriber data records, call data records and internet protocol data records, and provide access to such records, user databases and traceable user identity to the Central Government or authorised agencies, whenever required.
- Separate technical, operational, financial and security conditions have been prescribed for each category of miscellaneous telecommunication service, including rollout obligations and provisions relating to breach, revocation, surrender and migration of authorisations.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Telecommunications (Authorisation for Captive Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026**

The Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications), on June 23, 2026, issued the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Captive Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026 vide Notification No. G.S.R. 511(E) under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

The following has been mentioned:

- A framework has been introduced for grant of authorisation to provide captive telecommunication services, including captive mobile radio trunking services, captive non-public network services, captive very small aperture terminal (VSAT) services, and captive general services, solely for the applicant's own captive use and not for commercial or public telecommunication services.
- Eligible applicants include companies fulfilling the prescribed eligibility conditions, Central and State Government Departments, legislative bodies, Courts, administrations of Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribal Areas, and other Government-controlled entities. Captive general service authorisation shall be available only to Government companies and specified Government entities, excluding private limited companies.
- Applications are required to be submitted through the designated digital portal, along with the prescribed non-refundable processing fee and, in the case of companies, an auditor's certificate confirming compliance with the eligibility requirements.
- Captive non-public network and captive general service authorisations shall be granted without a prior Letter of Intent. However, captive mobile radio trunking and captive VSAT service authorisations shall require fulfilment of the conditions specified in the Letter of Intent, including payment of the entry fee and submission of an unconditional guarantee, subject to prescribed exemptions.
- Every authorisation shall be granted on a non-exclusive basis for a period not exceeding twenty years, renewable for a further period of up to twenty years, and shall not by itself confer any right to assignment or use of spectrum.

- Authorisation fees have been prescribed at ₹300 per user terminal, subject to a minimum of ₹5,000, for captive mobile radio trunking services, and ₹10,000 per VSAT or earth station in motion for captive VSAT services. No authorisation fee has been prescribed for captive non-public network services and captive general services. The Rules also prescribe processing fees, entry fees and guarantee requirements for the respective service categories.
- The Rules prescribe security and data governance requirements, including majority Indian citizen representation on the board, security clearance for foreign nationals, localisation of data within India, and procurement of telecommunication equipment only from trusted sources and trusted products. Additional conditions have been prescribed for satellite network operations, satellite earth station gateways and remote access from outside India in respect of captive VSAT services.
- Authorised entities are prohibited from interconnecting captive telecommunication networks with the public switched telephone network, public land mobile network, internet telephony network or internet network, and from using such networks for any commercial or public telecommunication service.
- Distinct technical, operational, financial and security conditions have been prescribed for each category of captive telecommunication service under Chapter VI of the Rules, including rollout obligations for captive mobile radio trunking services and provisions relating to breach, revocation and surrender of authorisations.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Principal Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026**

The Ministry of Communications (Department of Telecommunications), vide Notification No. G.S.R. 513(E) dated June 23, 2026, has notified the Telecommunications (Authorisation for Provision of Principal Telecommunication Services) Rules, 2026 under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

The Rules provide a framework for grant of authorisation for provision of principal telecommunication services under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

The key highlights are as follows:

- The Rules cover unified service authorisation, access service authorisation, wireline access service authorisation, internet service authorisation, national long distance service authorisation, and international long distance service authorisation, including provision of such services by network service operators and virtual network operators.
- Applications must be submitted through the designated digital portal, along with a non-refundable processing fee, and applicants are required to meet prescribed eligibility conditions, including minimum paid-up equity capital and net worth specified in Schedule C.
- The Central Government may issue a Letter of Intent specifying conditions such as payment of entry fee and submission of an unconditional guarantee, prior to granting authorisation.
- Authorisation fees are linked to Adjusted Gross Revenue, subject to prescribed minimum amounts based on the applicable entry fee under Schedule A, with the authorisation period not exceeding twenty years, renewable for a further period of up to twenty years.
- The Rules prescribe data localisation, trusted source/trusted product procurement, lawful interception, network sharing, and security conditions, along with specific technical and operational conditions for access services, internet services, and long distance services.

The notification establishes a comprehensive authorisation framework for provision of principal telecommunication services under the Telecommunications Act, 2023.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Shipping, ports, fisheries

- **Jan Vishwas Amendment relating to Maritime Zones of India (Regulation of Fishing by Foreign Vessels) Act, 1981**

The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (Department of Fisheries), on June 20, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3271(E) notifying June 20, 2026, being the date of publication of the notification, as the date on which the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to Serial No. 45 and the corresponding entries in the Schedule to the Act, pertaining to the Maritime Zones of India (Regulation of Fishing by Foreign Vessels) Act, 1981, shall come into force.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3258(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 79 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Seamen's Provident Fund Act, 1966**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3260(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Seamen's Provident Fund Act, 1966.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 33 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Seamen's Provident Fund Act, 1966, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Coastal Shipping Act, 2025**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3259(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Coastal Shipping Act, 2025.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 78 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Coastal Shipping Act, 2025, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Inland Waterways Authority of India Act, 1985**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3262(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Inland Waterways Authority of India Act, 1985.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 49 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Inland Waterways Authority of India Act, 1985, shall come into force with effect from June 30, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on June 30, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to the Inland Vessels Act, 2021**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3261(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Inland Vessels Act, 2021.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 75 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Inland Vessels Act, 2021, shall come into force with effect from June 30, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on June 30, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Dock Workers (Regulation of Employment) Act**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (PHRD Division), on June 20, 2026, issued Notification No. S.O. 3266(E) appointing July 1, 2026, as the date on which the provisions of the

Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to serial number 10 in the Schedule, concerning the Dock Workers (Regulation of Employment) Act, 1948, shall come into force.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Marine Aids to Navigation Act**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3267(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Marine Aids to Navigation Act, 2021.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 74 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Marine Aids to Navigation Act, 2021, shall come into force with effect from July 8, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 8, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Indian Ports Act**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3270(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Indian Ports Act, 2025.

  The notification provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 80 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Indian Ports Act, 2025, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Recycling of Ships Act**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3269(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Recycling of Ships Act, 2019.

  The following provides that:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 71 and the entries relating thereto in the Schedule concerning the Recycling of Ships Act, 2019, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  The notification shall come into force on July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Jan Vishwas Amendments to Major Port Authorities Act**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3268(E) dated June 20, 2026, has notified that the provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026 relating to the Major Port Authorities Act, 2021.

  The following has been notified:

  - The provisions of the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2026, relating to serial number 72 and the amendments specified thereunder concerning the Major Port Authorities Act, 2021, shall come into force with effect from July 1, 2026.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Bureau of Port Security Constituted under the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025**

  The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, vide Notification No. S.O. 3473(E) dated 27th June, 2026, has constituted the Bureau of Port Security (BoPS) under the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025.

  Key highlights are as follows:

  - The Bureau of Port Security (BoPS) has been constituted as the national body for the security of vessels and port facilities.
  - The Bureau has been constituted under Section 13 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 2025.
  - The Director General of Maritime Administration has been designated as the Director General of BoPS until further orders.

  The notification has come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Power

- **Energy Performance Standards for Self-Ballasted LED Lamps Revised**

  The Ministry of Power, vide Notification No. S.O. 2976(E) dated 10th June, 2026, has amended the notification prescribing energy performance standards and star labelling requirements for self-ballasted LED lamps. The notification has been published on June 15,2026.

  The following has been stated:
  - The applicability and performance requirements for self-ballasted LED lamps have been updated with reference to the latest Indian Standards.
  - The existing star rating criteria have been extended up to 31st December, 2026.
  - New star rating thresholds for LED lamps have been prescribed for the periods 1st January, 2027 to 31st December, 2028 and 1st January, 2029 to 31st December, 2031.
  - Revised testing standards, tolerance provisions and rounding-off methodology have been prescribed for determining star ratings, effective 1st January, 2027.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Standards and Labelling Programme for Tubular Fluorescent Lamps Repealed**

  The Ministry of Power, vide Notification No. S.O. 2978(E) dated 10th June, 2026, has repealed the notification relating to the Standards and Labelling Programme for Tubular Fluorescent Lamps, with effect from 1st July, 2026.

  Key highlights are as follows:
  - The Standards and Labelling Programme for Tubular Fluorescent Lamps has been discontinued.
  - The repeal shall not affect any action taken or omitted under the earlier notification before 1st July, 2026.
  - Such prior actions shall continue to be deemed valid under the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **CEA Notifies Technical Standards for Renewable Energy Plants and Battery Energy Storage Systems**

  The Central Electricity Authority, vide Notification dated 22nd June, 2026, has notified the Central Electricity Authority (Technical Standards for Construction of Electrical Plants and Electric Lines) Amendment Regulations, 2026, introducing technical standards for renewable energy power plants and battery energy storage systems.

  Key highlights are as follows:
  - A new Chapter VI has been inserted prescribing technical standards for renewable energy power plants and Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), including solar, floating solar, onshore wind, offshore wind, and BESS.
  - New definitions have been introduced for key battery energy storage terms, including battery management system, state of charge, state of health, power conversion system, and power plant controller.
  - General technical requirements have been prescribed for renewable energy plants and BESS covering equipment ratings, communication systems, protection systems, power quality, weather stations, and voltage ride-through capability.
  - Detailed technical standards have been specified for solar and floating solar power plants, including site selection, minimum design life of 25 years, and equipment specifications.
  - Technical standards have also been prescribed for onshore and offshore wind power plants, including turbine layout, foundations, offshore substations, and subsea cabling, with a minimum design life of 25 years.
  - Comprehensive technical and safety requirements have been introduced for Battery Energy Storage Systems, including performance guarantees, alarm systems, control room requirements, and data sharing with Regional and State Load Dispatch Centres.

  The Amendment Regulations shall come into force on 1st April, 2027.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Transport including aviation, railways, road, inland waterways

- **Amendment to Classification of Temporary Deviation and Minor Works under Railways Rules, 2000**

  The Ministry of Railways (Railway Board), vide Notification G.S.R. 485(E) dated 16 June 2026, has issued the Railways (Opening for Public Carriage of Passengers) Amendment Rules, 2026 further amending the Railways (Opening for Public Carriage of Passengers) Rules, 2000.

The notification provides that:

- The Amendment Rules shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- In the Railways (Opening for Public Carriage of Passengers) Rules, 2000, in Chapter VII, rule 24, sub-rule (3) has been substituted.
- Every temporary deviation line, irrespective of its length, and any permanent diversion less than 3 kilometres in length shall be treated as "new minor works".

The amendment has been issued under section 198 of the Railways Act, 1989.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Revision of Applicability Dates for Vehicle Models**

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, vide Notification S.O. 3471(E) dated 23 June 2026, has issued a corrigendum to Notification S.O. 2747(E) dated 29 May 2026, under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

The notification provides that:

- In the Table against serial number 28A, column (4), the existing entry "1st April, 2027" has been substituted with "For new models: 01st April, 2027 & For existing models: 01st October, 2027".
- In the Table against serial number 31, item (d), column (4), the existing entry "1st April, 2027" has been substituted with "For new models: 01st April, 2027 & For existing models: 01st October, 2027".

The corrigendum has been issued under section 109(3) of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, to amend the timelines specified in the principal notification.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Rules on Cyber Security and Software Update Compliance under Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989**

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, vide Notification G.S.R. 503(E) dated 17 June 2026, has published draft rules proposing amendments to the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, under section 110 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

The notification provides that:

- The draft rules have been published for information of stakeholders as required under section 212(1) of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.
- Objections and suggestions from the public may be submitted within thirty days from the date of availability of the Gazette publication, and will be considered by the Central Government.
- Rule 125-T introduces requirements relating to Cyber Security and Cyber Security Management Systems (CSMS) for motor vehicles of categories M, N, T, and L7 (with level 3 automation), in accordance with AIS-189 standards until corresponding BIS standards are notified.
- Rule 125-U introduces requirements relating to Software Updates and Software Update Management Systems (SUMS) for motor vehicles of categories M, N, T, A, and C in accordance with AIS-190 standards until corresponding BIS standards are notified.
- Compliance timelines are specified separately for new models and existing models across categories, including vehicles with automation levels, OTA-enabled systems, and software update capabilities.

The draft rules shall come into force upon final publication in the Official Gazette after consideration of objections and suggestions received.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Draft Amendments to Motor Vehicles (Registration and Functions of Vehicle Scrapping Facility) Rules, 2021

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, vide Notification G.S.R. 490(E) dated 17 June 2026, has published draft amendments to the Motor Vehicles (Registration and Functions of Vehicle Scrapping Facility) Rules, 2021 under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

The notification provides that:

- The draft rules are issued under section 212(1) of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988, and objections/suggestions may be submitted within 30 days of Gazette publication.
- Definition of "End-of-Life Vehicles" has been revised to widen its scope, including deregistered, scrapped, or self-declared waste vehicles.
- A new definition of "Portal" has been inserted, designating the centralized Vscrap platform integrated with VAHAN.

- Scrapping of vehicles now requires Certificate of Vehicle Scrapping with electronic verification through VAHAN, with limited exemptions for destruction due to exceptional events.
- The rules introduce revised compliance timelines and procedural updates for vehicle scrapping processes.
- Mandatory equipment requirements for Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facilities (RVSFs) have been introduced through Table A, covering depollution, dismantling, safety, and environmental systems.
- Audit requirements have been strengthened, including Form 5 for annual audit reporting and enhanced inspection mechanisms.
- Non-compliance may lead to suspension or cancellation of registration of RVSFs.
- Additional guidelines may be issued by the Central Government for enforcement and compliance monitoring.

The draft rules will come into force upon final publication in the Official Gazette after consideration of stakeholder feedback.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

State-wise updates

Andaman and Nicobar Islands

- **Draft Andaman and Nicobar Islands Shops and Establishments (Amendment) Rules, 2026**

  The Andaman and Nicobar Administration on June 15, 2026, issued the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Shops and Establishments (Amendment) Rules, 2026, to further amend the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Shops and Establishments Rules, 2005.

  The following has been stated:
  - The draft amendments propose to introduce lifetime online registration for shops and establishments, with registration certificates to be issued automatically through an electronic system and remain valid for the lifetime of the establishment unless it is closed.
  - The amendments propose to permit 24×7 operations of shops and establishments, subject to compliance with provisions relating to weekly holidays, working hours, overtime wages, and compensatory leave.
  - Detailed safeguards have been proposed for the employment of women during night shifts, including consent requirements, transportation facilities, workplace safety measures, CCTV surveillance, medical support, compliance with sexual harassment laws, crèche facilities, and additional protections in hazardous workplaces.
  - The amendments also seek to promote electronic compliance by removing certain outdated forms and manual procedures.
  - Further, the draft amendments propose to align the regulatory framework with the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020, whereby establishments employing ten or more workers will be governed by the Code. Establishments already registered under the existing Regulations with twenty or more workers will be deemed compliant with the registration requirements under the Code, thereby avoiding duplicate registrations. In case of any inconsistency, the provision more beneficial to employees shall prevail.
  - Public comments and objections on the draft amendments may be submitted up to July 30, 2026.

  (To View the draft, please click here)

Andhra Pradesh

- **Amendments to AP Excise (Grant of Licence of Selling by Bar and Conditions of Licence) Rules, 2025**

  The Revenue Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, on June 17, 2026, issued a notification amending the AP Excise (Grant of Licence of Selling by Bar and Conditions of Licence) Rules, 2025 to provide a framework for grant of Bar Licences to Beach Shacks.

  The following has been amended:
  - Eligibility for obtaining a Beach Shack Bar Licence has been prescribed for Star Hotels, Tourism Resorts and Tourism Department registered establishments located along the beach, subject to recommendation by Andhra Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation (APTDC) and fulfilment of the conditions.
  - Applicants are required to obtain prior clearance and comply with prescribed conditions, including Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) clearance, statutory approvals, fire safety requirements, sanitation facilities, kitchen facilities, parking arrangements and other infrastructure requirements before grant of licence.
  - The notification further prescribes that only Beer, Wine and Ready-to-Drink (RTD) beverages shall be permitted for sale at Beach Shacks. The licensed premises shall operate between 10:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M., while food service may continue beyond such hours subject to approval from the competent authority (Tourism department or the concerned local body, as applicable).
  - The annual Retail Excise Tax for a Beach Shack Bar Licence has been fixed at INR 7,50,000, subject to a 10% annual increase, and the licence shall remain valid for three years, subject to payment of the prescribed annual Retail Excise Tax.

  (To View the Notification, please click here)

- **Code on Wages (Andhra Pradesh) Rules, 2026**

  The Labour, Factories, Boilers & Insurance Medical Services Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, on June 29, 2026, notified the Code on Wages (Andhra Pradesh) Rules, 2026 under the Code on Wages, 2019. The Rules have come into force from the date of their publication in the

Official Gazette and apply to employers and employees covered under the Code on Wages, 2019 in the State.

The key highlights include:

- The Rules provide the framework for fixation and revision of minimum wages, payment of wages, normal working hours, weekly day of rest, overtime wages, night shifts and payment of bonus.
- Employers are required to comply with the provisions relating to wage deductions, recovery of advances and loans, payment of contractual employees, payment of undisbursed dues and nomination for payment of dues in the event of an employee's death.
- Employers are required to maintain employee and wage registers, attendance registers and wage slips, preserve the records for five years and file returns electronically in accordance with the Rules.

The Rules also specify the forms, registers and records to be maintained and the electronic mode for submission of applications, notices, returns and other documents under the Code on Wages, 2019.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Chhattisgarh

- **Chhattisgarh Exempts Specified Businesses from Trade Licence Requirement**

The Government of Chhattisgarh, vide Notification, has amended the Chhattisgarh Municipality (Trade License) Rules, 2025, exempting specified businesses from the requirement of obtaining or renewing a municipal trade license.

Key Highlights are as follows:

- Specified businesses are exempted from obtaining or renewing a municipal trade license, provided they hold a valid license or registration under the prescribed Central or State laws (such as Shops and Establishments, FSSAI, Drugs and Cosmetics, Factories, or OSHWC Code).
- The exemption applies only to the trades and business activities specified in the newly inserted Schedule, including retail shops, food businesses, hotels, pharmacies, factories, warehouses, IT establishments, coaching centers, gyms, and healthcare establishments.
- Businesses availing the exemption shall continue to pay the applicable municipal registration fee, notwithstanding the waiver of the trade license requirement.

The State Government has been empowered to add, delete, or amend the list of exempted trades and business activities through notification from time to time.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment of Chhattisgarh Minor Mineral Rules, 2015**

The Government of Chhattisgarh, through Notification dated 22 June 2026, has amended the Chhattisgarh Minor Mineral Rules, 2015 under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

Key Highlights:

- Introduced provisions for grant of Composite Licences on private land (excluding specified minerals) upon payment of Government-determined premium.
- Prescribed new procedures for Letters of Intent, performance security, and competency of authorities for granting Composite Licences and quarry leases.
- Reduced the interest rate on delayed payments from 24% per annum to 12% per annum.
- Revised provisions relating to lease lapsing, linking it to failure to commence or continue production and dispatch for 12 consecutive months.
- Increased the maximum area and duration of quarry permits from 1 hectare and 2 years to 2 hectares and up to 3 years.
- Applied the Chhattisgarh State Mineral Exploration Trust (SMET) Rules, 2025 to all Composite Licences, quarry leases, and quarry permits with retrospective effect from 12 September 2025.
- Overhauled the penalty framework for unauthorized extraction, transportation and storage of minerals by prescribing revised compounding provisions, interim custody security amounts, and enhanced investigation powers.
- Revised the mechanism for distribution of minor mineral revenue through the State Consolidated Fund and updated the annual dead rent rates under Schedule IV.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Income-Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2026 Promulgated**

  The President of India promulgated the Income-Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2026 (No. 2 of 2026) on June 5, 2026, under Article 123 of the Constitution, further amending the Income-tax Act, 2025 (Act 30 of 2025). The Ordinance is deemed to have come into force on April 1, 2026.

  The following has been stated:
  - Two new entries, Serial Nos. 13D and 13E, have been inserted in Schedule IV of the Income-tax Act, 2025, providing tax exemptions on interest income and capital gains arising from the sale, exchange or transfer of Government securities.
  - Serial No. 13D grants such exemption to Foreign Institutional Investors, subject to furnishing of information in the prescribed form and manner.
  - Serial No. 13E grants such exemption to the Bank for International Settlements, subject to furnishing of information in the prescribed form and manner.
  - A new Note 4 has been inserted below the Schedule IV Table, defining "Bank for International Settlements" as the institution established at the Hague Conference in 1930 and headquartered at Basel, Switzerland; "Foreign Institutional Investor".

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Scheme**

  The Government of Chhattisgarh, vide Notification dated 25 June 2026 has notified the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin): VB-G RAM G Scheme, Chhattisgarh, under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 (No. 36 of 2025), for implementation in all notified rural areas of the State with effect from July 1, 2026.

  Key Highlights:
  - The Scheme provides an enhanced statutory wage-employment guarantee of 125 days in each financial year to rural households whose adult members volunteer to undertake unskilled manual work, aligning with the national vision of Viksit Bharat@2047.
  - Works under the Scheme shall be categorised into water-related works for water security, core rural infrastructure, livelihood-related infrastructure, and special works to mitigate extreme weather events, all identified through Viksit Gram Panchayat Plans and aggregated into the Viksit Bharat National Rural Infrastructure Stack.
  - Daily wages shall be disbursed within fifteen days of work performed; failure to do so entitles workers to delay compensation at 0.05% of unpaid wages per day of delay. Unemployment allowance is payable if employment is not provided within fifteen days of application.
  - Gram Panchayats shall be the principal planning and implementation bodies, with at least 50% of works in terms of cost executed through them; no contractor shall be engaged for execution of any work funded under the Scheme.
  - The Scheme shall be implemented as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with a Central-State funding ratio of 60:40; the State shall bear the cost of unemployment allowance and delay compensation.
  - A comprehensive digital ecosystem covering biometric attendance, GPS-based worksite monitoring, real-time MIS dashboards, geo-tagging, and social audit processes shall be mandated for governance, accountability and transparency.
  - A district-level Ombudsperson shall be appointed for grievance redressal; grievances must be resolved within fifteen days, with automatic digital escalation to higher authorities in case of non-resolution.

  All works under the Scheme shall be subject to social audit at least once every six months, with findings placed before the Gram Sabha and corrective actions recorded in the MIS.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Amendment of Chhattisgarh Government Business (Allocation) Rules**

  The Government of Chhattisgarh, vide Notification dated 17 June 2026, has amended the Chhattisgarh Government Business (Allocation) Rules.

  Key Highlights are as follows:
  - The Chhattisgarh Staff Selection Board has been placed under the General Administration Department.
  - A policy matter relating to the Social Welfare Department has been omitted from the Schedule.

  The entry relating to the Skill Development, Technical Education and Employment Department has been removed from the list of Boards and Corporations.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

- **Draft Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Amendment Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Food and Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs and Legal Metrology, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, on June 17, 2026, published the Draft Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Amendment Rules, 2026 and invited objections and suggestions from the general public within 30 days from the date of publication of the notice in the Official Gazette.

  The key highlights include:
  - The draft proposes that registration certificates granted to manufacturers, repairers and dealers of weights and measures shall remain valid until cancellation, subject to payment of the registration fee. It also empowers the Legal Metrology authorities to conduct inspections after grant of registration and initiate action in case of violations.
  - It also revised eligibility conditions for registration, including minimum educational qualifications for manufacturers and repairers, and requires registered entities to maintain workshops, equipment, tools, records and registers, display the registration certificate at the business premises, and report changes in qualified personnel or constitution of the firm within one month.
  - It mandates periodic verification and stamping of weights and measures, prescribes revised verification intervals, and requires re-verification before use where a weight or measure has been repaired, dismantled or re-installed.
  - The draft strengthens compliance obligations by providing detailed procedures relating to verification, inspection, stamping, maintenance of records, collection of verification fees, and issuance of certificates of verification.

  The draft also revises provisions relating to suspension and cancellation of registration certificates, appeals, penalties, compounding of offences, and updates the application forms, registration certificates, registers and fee schedules under the Rules.

  (To View the Notification, please click here)

Gujarat

- **Implementation of the Environment (Construction and Demolition) Waste Management Rules, 2025**

  The Gujarat Pollution Control Board, on June 16, 2026, issued a public notice regarding the implementation and compliance of the Environment (Construction and Demolition) Waste Management Rules, 2025.

  The following has been stated:
  - The Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2025 have come into force with effect from April 1, 2026, and are applicable to waste generators (individuals undertaking construction demolition), large producers (projects with built-up area of 20,000 sq. m. or more) contractors, local authorities, waste transporters and registered recyclers.
  - Major producers, registered recyclers and waste processing facility operators are required to register on the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) portal.
  - Stakeholders are required to ensure segregation of construction and demolition waste at source, comply with the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) targets, utilise recycled materials in large construction projects and hand over waste only to authorised collection or recycling facilities.
  - The public notice further requires implementation of dust control measures, green net covering and preparation of an Integrated Waste Management Plan, wherever applicable.

  Non-compliance with the provisions of the Rules shall attract environmental compensation and action under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

  (To View the Notification, please click here)

  Draft Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) (Sixth Amendment) Regulations, 2026

  The Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission, on June 20, 2026, issued the Draft Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) (Sixth Amendment) Regulations, 2026 proposing amendments to the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) Regulations, 2024.

  The key highlights of the draft regulations include:

- The banking charge of INR 1.00 per unit has been proposed to remain applicable from September 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027. Thereafter, the banking charges shall be determined in accordance with the given methodology under the Regulations.
- A detailed methodology has been proposed for computation of banking charges based on the aggregate net revenue impact on the distribution licensee and the total banked energy, using actual operational and market-related parameters.
- Distribution licensees have been proposed to mandatorily maintain and furnish complete and accurate data for computation of banking charges in the manner and within the timelines specified by the Commission.

The Commission has also proposed to determine common banking charges for specified categories of distribution licensees and prescribe a floor rate of INR 0.50 per unit and a ceiling rate of INR 1.50 per unit, subject to compliance with the prescribed data submission requirements.

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Karnataka

- **Draft Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Karnataka Electricity Distribution Code) (First Amendment), 2026**

The Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, on June 15, 2026, issued the Draft Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Karnataka Electricity Distribution Code) (First Amendment), 2026 proposing amendments to the Karnataka Electricity Distribution Code. Stakeholders may submit comments, views, suggestions or objections to the Commission on or before June 24, 2026.

The key highlights of the draft regulations include:

- The draft regulations propose to align the Karnataka Electricity Distribution Code with the latest Central Electricity Authority (CEA) regulations and guidelines relating to distribution planning, safety, quality assurance and maintenance.
- Distribution licensees would be required to comply with the revised standards relating to the design, procurement, operation and maintenance of distribution transformers, including the applicable quality and safety standards.
- The draft regulations propose to revise the quality assurance framework by restricting pre-dispatch inspection to power transformers and requiring random sampling and testing of materials and equipment through NABL-accredited laboratories.
- Distribution licensees would also be permitted to determine the sample size for inspection and testing based on risk assessment and the applicable CEA guidelines.

(To View the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Intra-State Transmission and State Distribution System) Regulations, 2026**

The Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, on June 15, 2026, issued the Draft Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Intra-State Transmission and State Distribution System) Regulations, 2026. Interested persons may submit their objections, suggestions or views to the Commission within 30 days from the date of publication of the draft regulations in the Official Gazette.

The key highlights include:

- The draft regulations propose a comprehensive framework governing connectivity and General Network Access (GNA) to the intra-State transmission and State distribution systems.
- The proposed framework is intended to facilitate non-discriminatory access to the intra-State transmission and distribution network for eligible entities seeking connectivity and network access in the State.
- The draft regulations seek to consolidate the existing regulatory provisions relating to connectivity and network access into a single regulatory framework for the State.
- Stakeholders and interested persons may submit their objections, suggestions or views to the Commission within 30 days from the date of publication of the draft regulations in the Official Gazette.

(To View the Notification, please click here)

- **Submission of Quarterly Progress Reports (QPRs) under the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016**

The Karnataka Real Estate Regulatory Authority (KRERA), on June 19, 2026, issued a circular directing promoters of registered real estate projects to submit Quarterly Progress Reports (QPRs) for the Financial Year 2026-27 through the online portal of the Authority.

The following has been stated:

- Promoters are required to submit Quarterly Progress Reports (QPRs) on the KRERA portal for every registered real estate project by July 15, 2026, October 15, 2026, January 15, 2027, and April 15, 2027, in accordance with the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 and the Karnataka Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Rules, 2017.
- Quarterly updates shall continue to be filed until 100% completion of all project activities. Upon reporting full completion, the promoter shall submit the final summary through the online module, supported by the Architect's certification of 100% completion.
- The Authority has observed delays in submission of Quarterly Progress Reports by several promoters and has directed strict adherence to the prescribed timelines.

Failure to submit the Quarterly Progress Reports within the prescribed timelines may attract penalty under Sections 61 and 63 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016 read with Rule 15(D) of the Karnataka Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Rules, 2017.

(To View the Notification, please click here)

Submission of Annual Audit Report for FY 2025-26 under the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016

The Karnataka Real Estate Regulatory Authority (KRERA), on June 19, 2026, issued a circular directing promoters of registered real estate projects to submit the Annual Audit Report for the financial year 2025-26 in accordance with the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016.

The following has been stated:

- Promoters are required to obtain the Annual Audit Report in Form-7 for the financial year 2025-26 and submit the same through the Annual Audit module available on the K-RERA web portal.
- Along with Form-7, promoters are required to submit the audited books of accounts, including the Profit and Loss Account, Balance Sheet with schedules, Cash Flow Statement, Income Tax Returns and Auditor's Report on or before November 15, 2026.
- The Annual Audit Report is required to certify that the amounts collected for the project have been utilised for the project and that withdrawals have been made in proportion to the percentage of completion of the project.

Failure to submit the Annual Audit Report within the prescribed timeline may attract penalty under Section 60 of the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016.

(To View the Notification, please click here)

Ladakh

Draft Union Territory of Ladakh Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Rules, 2026

The Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department, Union Territory of Ladakh, on June 19, 2026, issued the Draft Union Territory of Ladakh Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Rules, 2026 inviting comments and suggestions from stakeholders within 10 days from the date of publication of the draft notification in the Official Gazette.

The key highlights include:

- The draft rules propose a framework governing the registration of manufacturers, repairers and dealers of weights and measures. Registration is proposed to be granted on the basis of self-declaration without prior inspection and shall be valid for a lifetime without any requirement for renewal.
- Manufacturers, repairers and dealers of weights and measures would be required to maintain the prescribed workshop, equipment, tools, records and registers, display the registration certificate at the business premises and comply with the conditions of registration. Repairers would also be required to furnish the prescribed security deposit.
- The draft rules require weights and measures used in any transaction or for protection to be verified and stamped at the prescribed intervals. Weights and measures repaired or reinstalled before the due date for verification would also be required to undergo re-verification before being put into use.
- Every manufacturer, repairer and dealer registered under the proposed rules would be required to maintain the prescribed records and registers and submit such periodical reports and returns as may be specified.

The draft rules also prescribe the procedure for verification, inspection and stamping of weights and measures, payment of verification fees and suspension or cancellation of registration certificates for contravention of the provisions of the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 or the proposed rules.

(To View the Notification, please click here)

Lakshadweep

- **Code on Wages (Lakshadweep) Rules, 2025**

  The Department of Labour, Employment and Training, Union Territory of Lakshadweep, on June 15, 2026, notified the Code on Wages (Lakshadweep) Rules, 2025 under the Code on Wages, 2019. The Rules have come into force from the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette and apply to employers and employees covered under the Code on Wages, 2019 in the Union Territory.

  The key highlights include:

  - The Rules lay down the framework for fixation and revision of minimum wages, categorisation of occupations into unskilled, semi-skilled, skilled and highly skilled categories, revision of dearness allowance, normal working hours, weekly day of rest, night shifts and payment of wages.
  - Employers are required to comply with the provisions relating to imposition of fines, wage deductions, recovery of advances and loans, payment of bonus, payment of contractual employees and payment of undisbursed dues in accordance with the Rules.
  - Employers are required to maintain wage and employee registers, issue wage slips, preserve the prescribed records for five years, file annual returns electronically and furnish statistical information relating to minimum wages, payment of wages and bonus to the Union Territory Administration and the Labour Bureau.
  - Contractors are required to ensure timely payment of wages and compliance with applicable labour law requirements. Where the contractor fails to make payment of wages within the prescribed period or makes short payment, the principal employer shall be liable to make payment of wages in accordance with the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Madhya Pradesh

- **Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grid Interactive Renewable Energy Systems Related Matters) Regulations (Revision-III), 2004 (First Amendment) [ARG-39(II) of 2026]**

  The Government of Madhya Pradesh on June 19, 2026, issued the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grid Interactive Renewable Energy Systems Related Matters) Regulations (Revision-III), 2004 (First Amendment) [ARG-39(II) of 2026], to further amend the Madhya Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (Grid Interactive Renewable Energy Systems Related Matters) Regulations (Revision-III), 2004 [RG-39(I) of 2004].

  The following has been stated:

  - The amendments introduce the definition of "PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana (PMSG:MBY) as the scheme launched by the Government of India on February 29, 2024.
  - A new proviso has been inserted to exempt prosumers applying for net metering connections under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana from the payment of the prescribed processing fee.
  - The amendments further provide that no separate agreement shall be required for net metering connections under the Scheme. Instead, the agreement shall form part of the application form and shall be executed online at the time of submission of the application.
  - The amendments also provide that the distribution licensee shall not charge any fee for testing of meters in respect of net metering connections established under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana

  (To View the Notification, please click here)

Maharashtra

- **Maharashtra Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) (Amendment) Rules, 2025 Notified**

  The Government of Maharashtra, Industries, Energy, Labour and Mining Department, vide Notification dated June 23, 2026, has notified the Maharashtra Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) (Amendment) Rules, 2025, further amending the Maharashtra Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Rules, 1997, under the Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986.

  Key Highlights:

  - The rules have been updated throughout to substitute references to "child labour" with "child and adolescent labour" to align with the amended Central Act.

- New rules have been inserted requiring the State Government to conduct public awareness campaigns through various media, promote reporting of violations, and display provisions of the Act at public places, schools, government offices and other locations.
- Conditions have been prescribed for a child helping his family in a family enterprise, including restrictions on hazardous work, working hours (not more than three hours per day), prohibition on work during school hours and between 7 p.m. and 8 a.m., and prohibition on substituting a child for an adult.
- Detailed conditions have been prescribed for children working as artists, including a maximum of five hours of work per day, mandatory permission from the District Magistrate, undertaking in Form A-1, deposit of at least 20% of the child's earnings in a fixed deposit account, and prohibition on participation against the child's will.
- New provisions have been inserted prescribing duties of Inspectors, including quarterly reporting, and a system of periodical monitoring and inspection by the State Government.
- A new Chapter V has been inserted prescribing duties of the District Magistrate, including constitution of a district-level Task Force for rescue and rehabilitation of child and adolescent labour, and detailed provisions for the operation of the Child and Adolescent Labour Rehabilitation Fund.

Provisions for compounding of offences have been prescribed, allowing first-time offenders to apply to the District Magistrate, with compounding amounts set at 50% of the maximum fine, and an additional 25% for delayed payment.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Maharashtra Right to Information (Amendment) Rules, 2026 Notified**

The Government of Maharashtra, vide Notification has notified the Maharashtra Right to Information (Amendment) Rules, 2026, amending the Maharashtra Right to Information Rules, 2026 under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Key Highlights are as follows:

- Annexure "A" to the Maharashtra Right to Information Rules, 2026 has been substituted with a revised application format for seeking information under the Right to Information Act, 2005.
- The revised application form requires applicants to furnish details including name, address, mobile number, email ID, subject matter of information (within 150 words), period to which the information relates, preferred mode of receiving information, BPL status, and proof of identity.
- Applicants may opt to receive information in person, by registered post, by email, through a personal pen drive, or through the online RTI portal (for online applications).

(To view the Notification, please click here)

Manipur

- **Draft Industrial Relations (Manipur) Rules, 2026**

The Government of Manipur, on June 25, 2026, notified the Draft Industrial Relations (Manipur) Rules, 2026 under Section 99 of the Industrial Relations Code, 2020, in supersession of the earlier draft Rules published on 19 November 2021, inviting objections and suggestions from stakeholders before finalisation.

The following has been proposed, namely:

- The draft Rules prescribe detailed procedures for constitution and functioning of Works Committees and Grievance Redressal Committees, including representation of trade unions, tenure of members, meetings and grievance resolution mechanisms.
- Detailed provisions have been introduced governing trade union administration, including membership subscription, maintenance and audit of trade union funds, annual returns and recognition of negotiating unions and negotiating councils.
- The draft Rules further prescribe procedures relating to conciliation, arbitration, Industrial Tribunal proceedings, standing orders, strikes, lock-outs, lay-offs, retrenchment, closure of establishments and maintenance of statutory forms and registers under the Industrial Relations Code, 2020.

Objections and suggestions may be submitted to the Secretary, Skills, Labour, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department, within 45 days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette are made available to the public.

(To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Manipur Social Security Rules, 2026**

  The Government of Manipur, on June 25, 2026, notified the Draft Manipur Social Security Rules, 2026 under Sections 154 and 156 of the Code on Social Security, 2020.

  The key highlights of the Notification include:
  - The draft Rules prescribe the constitution, composition and functioning of the Manipur Unorganised Workers' Social Security Board and the Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board, including nomination of members, meetings, powers and administration of the Boards.
  - A Manipur Social Security Fund has been proposed, providing for contributions through Government grants, beneficiary contributions, CSR contributions and other notified sources, along with provisions governing utilisation, administration and audit of the Fund.
  - Detailed provisions have also been prescribed relating to employees' compensation, gratuity, maternity benefit, building and other construction workers' welfare cess, registration of beneficiaries, welfare schemes and maintenance of statutory forms and returns under the Code.

  Objections and suggestions may be submitted to the Secretary, Skills, Labour, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department, within 45 days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette are made available to the public.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (Manipur) Rules, 2026**

  The Government of Manipur, on June 24, 2026, notified the Draft Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (Manipur) Rules, 2026 under Sections 133 and 135 of the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020, in supersession of the earlier draft Rules published on 19 November 2021, inviting objections and suggestions from stakeholders before finalisation.

  The following has been proposed, namely:
  - The draft Rules prescribe a comprehensive framework for registration of establishments, including electronic registration, deemed registration, revision and cancellation of registration.
  - Detailed provisions have been introduced regarding employer obligations, including issuance of appointment letters, annual medical examinations for specified categories of workers, reporting of accidents, dangerous occurrences and occupational diseases, and protection of employees exposed to unsafe working conditions.
  - The draft Rules also prescribe the constitution and functioning of the Manipur State Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board, Safety Committees, appointment and qualifications of Safety Officers, and workplace safety and welfare measures applicable to factories, mines, construction establishments and other covered establishments.

  Objections and suggestions may be submitted to the Secretary, Skills, Labour, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department, within 45 days from the date on which copies of the Official Gazette are made available to the public.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

Mizoram

- **Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) and Emergency Button Requirements for Public Service Vehicles**

  The Directorate of Transport, Government of Mizoram, on June 18, 2026, issued a circular directing all Registering Authorities to ensure compliance with the Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) and Emergency Button requirements under Rule 125H of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 before granting or renewing Certificates of Fitness or Permits for Public Service Vehicles.

  The following has been stated:
  - The circular applies to public service vehicles covered under Rule 125H of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, including passenger carrying transport vehicles required to be fitted with Vehicle Location Tracking Devices (VLTDs) and Emergency Buttons.
  - Registering Authorities have been directed not to grant or renew any Certificate of Fitness or Permit unless the vehicle complies with the VLTD and Emergency Button requirements and the installation status is reflected on the VAHAN portal.
  - The Transport Department has clarified that new passenger carrying vehicles and old vehicles manufactured on or after January 1, 2019, are required to have activated VLTDs and Emergency Buttons installed through manufacturers or vendors approved by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.

Passenger carrying vehicles manufactured before January 1, 2019, are also required to comply with the VLTD and Emergency Button requirements. However, taxis, maxi cabs and city buses that are more than 10 years old from the date of registration have been exempted from this requirement.

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Nagaland

- **Draft Nagaland Code on Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Labour, Government of Nagaland, on June 19, 2026, published the Draft Nagaland Code on Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Rules, 2026.

  The key highlights of the Draft Rules are:

  - Employers would be required to register establishments within prescribed timelines, notify commencement and cessation of operations and intimate changes in ownership or management through the prescribed electronic or physical process.
  - Registration fees have been prescribed based on employee strength, with separate fee structures for plantations and factories, along with timelines for issuance, deemed registration and cancellation of registration certificates.
  - The draft Rules also prescribe mandatory issuance of appointment letters, annual medical examinations for employees in specified establishments, accident reporting requirements and an appellate mechanism against registration- related orders.

  Objections and suggestions have been invited from stakeholders within 45 days from the date of publication of the draft notification in the Official Gazette.

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- **Draft Nagaland Code on Wages Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Labour, Government of Nagaland, on June 19, 2026, published the Draft Nagaland Code on Wages Rules, 2026.

  The following has been proposed, namely:

  - The draft Rules prescribe the methodology for fixation and revision of minimum wages, including criteria for determining minimum wages, constitution of a Technical Committee for skill categorisation and biannual revision of dearness allowance.
  - Detailed provisions have been introduced relating to normal working hours, weekly day of rest, overtime wages, night shifts, wage deductions, recovery of advances, payment of bonus and payment of undisbursed dues.
  - Employers would be required to maintain prescribed wage and employee registers, issue wage slips, file annual returns electronically and comply with procedures relating to wage claims, appeals and compounding of offences.

  Stakeholders have been invited to submit objections and suggestions within 45 days from the date of publication of the draft notification in the Official Gazette.

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- **Draft Nagaland Code on Social Security Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Labour, Government of Nagaland, on June 19, 2026, published the Draft Nagaland Code on Social Security Rules, 2026 for stakeholder consultation.

  The Draft Rules propose the following:

  - The draft Rules provide for the constitution, composition and functioning of the Nagaland Unorganised Workers' Social Security Board and the Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board, including the tenure, qualifications and disqualifications of members.
  - Detailed provisions have been prescribed for assessment and collection of building and construction workers' welfare cess, administration of welfare funds and utilisation of the Social Security Fund for implementation of welfare schemes.
  - The draft Rules also prescribe procedures relating to maternity benefits, employment information reporting, accident notices, appeals and maintenance of statutory registers and returns under the Code.

  Stakeholders have been invited to submit objections and suggestions within 45 days from the date of publication of the draft notification in the Official Gazette.

  (To view the Notification, please click here)

- **Draft Nagaland Code on Industrial Relations Rules, 2026**

  The Department of Labour, Government of Nagaland, on June 19, 2026, published the Draft Nagaland Code on Industrial Relations Rules, 2026 for stakeholder consultation.

  The key highlights of the Draft Rules are:

  - The draft Rules prescribe detailed procedures for recognition of negotiating unions and negotiating councils, including verification of trade union membership through secret ballot and use of electronic voting, where applicable.
  - Comprehensive procedures have been introduced for Works Committees, Grievance Redressal Committees, conciliation proceedings, settlement agreements, standing orders and Industrial Tribunal proceedings.
  - The Rules also prescribe the process and timelines for strikes, lay-offs, retrenchment and closure of industrial establishments, including applications for prior permission and notice requirements under the Industrial Relations Code, 2020.

  Stakeholders have been invited to submit objections and suggestions within 45 days from the date of publication of the draft notification in the Official Gazette.

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- **General Operational Guidelines for Nagaland Trade Investment and Industrial Policy (NTIIP), 2025**

  The Industries & Commerce Department, Government of Nagaland, on June 15, 2026, notified the General Operational Guidelines for implementation of the Nagaland Trade Investment and Industrial Policy (NTIIP), 2025. The guidelines apply to new and existing manufacturing and service sector units established or proposed to be established in Nagaland seeking registration and incentives under the Policy.

  The key highlights include:

  - Eligible manufacturing and service sector units are required to register online under the NTIIP, 2025 portal. Units must be registered under Udyam Registration, be located in Nagaland, employ at least 50% indigenous inhabitants of Nagaland, maintain a minimum of five employees on payroll and possess all applicable licences, registrations and statutory approvals.
  - Applications for registration are required to be submitted to the concerned General Manager, District Industries Centre (DIC). The District Industries Centre shall verify the application and forward it to the Directorate of Industries & Commerce, which shall scrutinise the application and issue the Registration Certificate after verification.
  - Eligible units are required to submit separate online applications for each incentive along with the relevant documents within the specified timelines. Claims shall be scrutinised by the District Industries Centre, District Level Screening Committee, State Level Screening Committee and finally approved by the State Industrial Development and Facilitation Committee (SIDFC), which is the competent authority for sanction of subsidy claims.
  - Incentives under the Policy include capital investment incentive, interest subvention, SGST reimbursement, assistance for technology upgradation, quality certification, market development, research and development, power tariff subsidy, transport incentive, stamp duty exemption and assistance to women entrepreneurs, persons with disabilities and export-oriented units, subject to fulfilment of the eligibility conditions under the guidelines.
  - Units obtaining incentives by misrepresentation or suppression of material facts shall be liable to refund the entire incentive along with interest and may also be subject to legal action in accordance with the Policy.

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Rajasthan

- **Notification on Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1958**

  The Labour Department, Government of Rajasthan on June 19, 2026, issued a notification exempting Shops and Commercial Establishments from the provisions relating to weekly closing days and prescribed opening and closing hours under the Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1958.

  The following has been stated:

  - It has exempted shops and commercial establishments registered under the Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1958 from the provisions relating to weekly closing days and prescribed opening and closing hours, with immediate effect, superseding the earlier notification dated April 15, 2024.
  - The exemption is subject to specified conditions, including the grant of one paid weekly holiday to every employee on a rotational basis, a maximum of 10 working hours per day

and 48 working hours per week, and payment of overtime wages in accordance with the applicable labour laws.

- Employers are required to issue appointment letters to all employees and submit copies of the same to the concerned Labour Inspector.
- Employees shall continue to be entitled to all other statutory benefits available under the Act.
- The exemption shall remain valid only upon compliance with the prescribed conditions and government directions. Any violation shall result in the automatic withdrawal of the exemption and may attract legal action under the Act and other applicable laws.

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- **Amendment to the Rajasthan Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Rules, 2011.**

The Government of Rajasthan on June 20, 2026, issued the Draft Rajasthan Legal Metrology (Enforcement) (Draft Amendment) Rules, 2026, further to amend the Rajasthan Legal Metrology (Enforcement) Rules, 2011.

The following has been stated:

- The draft amendments propose to replace the existing licensing regime for manufacturers, repairers, and dealers of weights and measures with a registration-based system supported by self-declarations.
- Existing licences are proposed to be treated as registration certificates, which shall remain valid unless suspended, cancelled, or surrendered in accordance with the Rules.
- The draft introduces the definition of "Government Approved Test Centre" and proposes to authorize such centres to undertake the verification, re-verification, and stamping of weights and measures.
- Registration certificates are proposed to be issued online without prior inspection, while repairers will be required to furnish a security deposit as prescribed.
- The amendments also propose to revise the procedure for the suspension and cancellation of registration certificates and require such certificates to be displayed at the business premises.

Further, the draft proposes to link the verification and stamping fees for weights and measures to the value of the weight or measure, subject to the prescribed minimum and maximum limits.

Objections and suggestions on the draft amendments may be submitted within seven days from the date of publication of the draft notification.

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- **Rajasthan Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Rules, 2026**

The Labour and Factories & Boilers Department, Government of Rajasthan, on June 30, 2026, notified the Rajasthan Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Rules, 2026 under the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020. The Rules have come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette and apply to employers, occupiers and employees covered under the Code in the State.

The key highlights include:

- Employers and occupiers are required to obtain registration and the applicable licence through the Official Portal, update changes in registration particulars within 30 days, display the registration certificate at the establishment and quote the registration number in all documents and correspondence under the Code.
- Occupiers of factories are required to obtain prior approval of factory plans from the Chief Inspector-cum-Facilitator before construction, extension or use of factory premises, obtain a factory licence, intimate changes in the manager, commencement or cessation of operations, and obtain amendment of the licence in case of change in the factory name, occupier, manufacturing process, installed power or workforce. The competent authority for grant of registration, approval of plans and licensing is the Chief Inspector-cum-Facilitator or any other officer authorised by the State Government.
- Employers are required to arrange annual health examinations for employees above 40 years of age engaged in factories, beedi and cigar establishments and building and other construction works, issue appointment letters containing the prescribed particulars to all employees, and report accidents, dangerous occurrences and occupational diseases to the Inspector-cum-Facilitator within the specified timelines.

Employers are required to constitute a Safety Committee in establishments and factories employing 500 or more workers, maintain safety records, implement the recommendations of the Safety Committee and ensure compliance with occupational safety and health requirements under the Rules.

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Tamil Nadu

- **Draft amendments to the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.**

  The Government of Tamil Nadu on June 19, 2026, issued draft amendments to the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

  The following has been stated:
  - The draft amendments propose to revise the fee structure for the allotment of advance (preferred) registration numbers across various categories of motor vehicles.
  - The proposed fees for advance registration numbers allotted directly by the Government range from ₹80,000 to ₹8,00,000, depending on the registration series.
  - For two-wheelers and three-wheelers, the proposed fees range from ₹2,000 to ₹1,00,000, based on the value of the vehicle. In the case of imported cars and other imported vehicles, the proposed fees range from ₹20,000 to ₹1,50,000, depending on the vehicle value.
  - The draft amendments seek to rationalize and update the charges applicable for obtaining preferred or advance registration numbers.
  - Objections and suggestions, if any, may be submitted within 14 days from the date of publication of the draft notification.

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Telangana

- **Code on Social Security (Telangana) Rules, 2026**

  The Labour, Employment, Training and Factories Department, Government of Telangana, on June 27, 2026, notified the Code on Social Security (Telangana) Rules, 2026 to operationalise the provisions of the Code on Social Security, 2020 in the State. The Rules shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

  The key highlights include:
  - The Rules provide for electronic governance under the Code by enabling registrations, renewals, returns, cess and contribution payments, applications, claims and other compliances through the State Portal. They also provide for web-based and risk-based inspections by Inspector-cum-Facilitators.
  - The Rules prescribe the constitution, composition, powers and functions of the Telangana Unorganised Workers' Social Security Board and the Telangana Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board, along with provisions relating to welfare schemes for beneficiaries.
  - Detailed procedures have been prescribed in relation to gratuity, maternity benefit, employees' compensation, payment of building and other construction workers' cess, appeals and recovery proceedings under the Code.
  - Employers have been required to maintain prescribed registers and records, maintain a register of women employees, preserve records for the prescribed period and furnish a unified consolidated annual return through the State Portal.

  The Rules also prescribe the procedure for reporting vacancies to Career Centres, appointment of Compounding Officers, maintenance of the Social Security Fund and various forms to facilitate compliance under the Code.

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- **Proposed EHS Regulations for Effluent Treatment Plants (ETP), Sewage Treatment Plants (STP) and Hazardous Wastes**

  The Labour, Employment, Training and Factories Department, Government of Telangana, on June 22, 2026, issued a notification proposing Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) regulations for Effluent Treatment Plants (ETP), Sewage Treatment Plants (STP) and Hazardous Wastes.

  The key highlights include:
  - The proposed regulations prescribe comprehensive safety and health requirements for operations involving Effluent Treatment Plants (ETP) and Sewage Treatment Plants (STP). Employers would be required to provide worker training, display hazard and safety precautions in the local language and prevent unauthorised access by providing secure fencing and locked entry and exit gates.
  - Periodic inspection of equipment by qualified personnel and maintenance of certification records have been proposed. Defective equipment shall not be used until the necessary safety repairs have been completed.
  - The proposed regulations require safe access for maintenance activities, provision of fall protection systems, implementation of Lock Out Tag Out (LOTO) procedures and issuance of work permit for confined space entry.

Employers would also be required to provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), emergency response equipment, and mechanical ventilation to control exposure to toxic, flammable and explosive emissions within the prescribed limits.

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Tripura

- **Acceptance of Self-attested Documents for Factory and Boiler Approvals**

The Factories & Boilers Organisation, Labour Department, Government of Tripura, on June 25, 2026, issued a notification permitting submission of self-attested documents in place of affidavits or notarized documents for obtaining No Objection Certificates (NOCs) and statutory approvals from the Department. The notification has come into force with immediate effect.

The following has been stated:

- The notification applies to applicants seeking approvals, registrations, licences, renewals and other services from the Factories & Boilers Organisation, Government of Tripura.
- Self-attested documents shall be accepted for factory-related services, including approval of new and revised factory plans, registration of factories, grant, renewal and amendment of factory licences, approval for closure and re-opening of factories, submission of online returns and selection of Competent Persons and third-party registrations. The competent authority for these services is the Factories & Boilers Organisation, Government of Tripura.

Self-attested documents shall also be accepted for boiler-related services, including registration of new boilers, renewal of boiler certificates, approval and renewal of boiler erectors and repairers, endorsement of boiler erectors, repairers and IBR welders, approval for steam pipeline erection, boiler feed pipeline and boiler manufacturers. The competent authority for these services is the Factories & Boilers Organization, Government of Tripura.

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Uttarakhand

- **Draft Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission (Ancillary Services) Regulations, 2026**

The Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission, on June 16, 2026, issued the Draft Uttarakhand Electricity Regulatory Commission (Ancillary Services) Regulations, 2026 proposing a framework for procurement, deployment and payment of ancillary services at the State level. Stakeholders may submit comments and suggestions before the Regulations are finalized.

The key highlights of the draft regulations include:

- The draft regulations shall apply to intra-State entities, including entities having energy storage resources and entities capable of providing demand response for providing ancillary services.
- State utilities and intra-State entities proposing to participate in the Day Ahead Ancillary Service Market and Real Time Ancillary Service Market would be required to obtain Standing Clearance from the State Load Despatch Centre (SLDC). Participation in the TRAS market shall also be subject to registration in the National Open Access Registry (NOAR).
- Eligible ancillary service providers would be required to comply with the prescribed communication, metering, SCADA telemetry and technical requirements. Intra-State generators proposing to participate in Secondary Reserve Ancillary Services (SRAS) would also be required to obtain Standing Consent from the SLDC before participation.
- The draft regulations provide that the SLDC shall coordinate with distribution licensees and State generating stations for estimation of reserve requirements and shall be responsible for scheduling, monitoring, settlement and other operational functions relating to ancillary services.
- The SLDC has been proposed to issue a Detailed Procedure within three months from the date of notification of the Regulations after stakeholder consultation.

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West Bengal

- **Revision of Minimum Wages for Scheduled Employments Effective from July 1, 2026**

The Labour Commissionerate, Government of West Bengal, on June 22, 2026, issued a series of circulars revising the minimum rates of wages for employees engaged in various scheduled employments in the State. The revised wage rates shall be effective from July 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026. The revision applies to employers and employees engaged in the scheduled employments covered under the respective circulars.

The key highlights include:

- Employers are required to pay the revised minimum wages applicable to the respective scheduled employment and category of employees, including unskilled, semi-skilled, skilled and highly skilled workers, with effect from July 1, 2026.
- The revised wage rates have been notified for various scheduled employments, including agriculture, manufacturing, construction, shops and establishments, hospitals, hotels and restaurants, engineering units, security services, brick manufactories, cinema industry and other scheduled employments covered under the respective circulars.
- Where the existing wages payable to an employee are higher than the revised minimum wages, employers shall continue to pay the higher wages. The revised minimum wages are also applicable to contract workers, and men and women employees are entitled to equal wages for the same or similar work.

The revised minimum wages together with the Variable Dearness Allowance (where applicable) shall constitute the enforceable minimum wages under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948.

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