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## 1. GLOBAL UPDATES

### GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY 65% BY 2035

The Swiss government has approved a new climate goal, targeting a 65% reduction in the greenhouse gas emissions by 2035, on a 1990 basis.

Date: 30/01/2025

### EU PLEDGES “FAR- REACHING SIMPLIFICATION” IN SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING

The European Union member states in the European Council has approved the European Commission's 'stop-the-clock' directive. Delaying the implementation of the CSRD and CSDDD i.e., the sustainability reporting and due diligence regulation.

Date: 30/01/2025

## 2. JUDGEMENTS

### VELLORE DISTRICT ENVIRONMENT MONITORING COMMITTEE. VS. THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR

CITATION: CIVIL APPEAL NO.  
1280-1281/2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA AND  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.  
MAHADEVAN

DATE: 30/01/2025

The matter pertains to pollution caused by untreated effluents discharged by tanneries and other industries in Tamil Nadu into the Palar river, posing a threat to the ecosystem. Since pollution is a continuing wrong until the condition is reversed, the polluters shall be liable to compensate the victims and liable for the damage and the Committee constituted is directed to periodically assess and pass appropriate orders till then.

The State shall implement the suggestions of the committee to formulate and implement a comprehensive rejuvenation plan for the Palar River, which includes removing pollutants, desilting, and ensuring adequate water flow and direct the concerned authorities and bodies to accomplish the same within a time frame.

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### KRISHNADATT AWASTHY VS. STATE OF M.P & ORS.

CITATION: CIVIL APPEAL  
NO.4807-4809/2011

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE HRISHIKESH ROY

DATE: 29/01/2025

The case pertains to the validity of appointments made for the post of school teachers (Shiksha Karmi Grade III) in Janpad Panchayat, Gaurihar in the year 1998. It was alleged that the relatives of the members of the selection committee and were placed in the final select list of 249 Shiksha Karmis. The honorable court held that for an allegation of bias to be proved, it is imperative that the procedural safeguards of a fair hearing are observed allowing for establishment of the relevant facts.

The opinion of Justice KV Vishwanathan upheld the selection, citing inter alia, a breach of the right to a fair hearing and the same is upheld. It was further stated that the selection pertains to the year 1998 and the appellants held their office and performed their duties for over 25- years and sending the matter for a fresh inquiry will not be a practical exercise and be injustice to the appointees.

# PARIMAL KUMAR VS. THE STATE OF JHARKHAND

CITATION: CIVIL APPEAL  
NO.1297/2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE J.K. MAHESHWARI  
AND HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE  
RAJESH BINDAL

DATE: 30/01/2025

The appeals arose out of the judgement dated 20.12.2023 of the Jharkhand High Court permitting the private respondents who were residents of Jharkhand and cleared the Central Teacher Eligibility Test (“CTET”) or neighboring states’ Teacher Eligibility Test (“STET”) to participate in the recruitment process for the post of Assistant Teacher in Primary and Upper Primary schools in the State in furtherance to Advertisement No. 13 of 2023. They have cleared the Jharkhand Teacher Eligibility Test (“JTET”) and are challenging the participation of the private respondents in the said recruitment process. The court held that it is apparent that a candidate who has qualified TET, conducted by another State or conducted by the Centre, can be considered for State run schools only when the State has decided not to conduct its own TET. The impugned judgment of the High Court permitting the candidates of CTET and STET holders of neighboring States to participate in ongoing selection process to the post of Assistant Teacher of Primary and Upper Primary schools pursuant to Advertisement stands set-aside.

It was held that the recruitment process commences from the date of issuance of the advertisement and concludes with the filling up of notified vacancies. Further the eligibility criteria as laid down therein cannot be changed mid-way during the recruitment process unless the extant rules or the advertisement permit such a change after the issuance.

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# K. SAMBA MOORTHY VS. SANJIV CHADHA

CITATION: CIVIL APPEAL  
NO.1023/2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE B.R. GAVAI AND  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V.  
VISWANATHAN

DATE: 31/01/2025

The appellant, appointed as a Probationary Officer in Bank of Baroda and promoted to Manager in 1992, faced disciplinary proceedings while serving as Branch Manager at Utran Branch, Gujarat. In 2001, after an inquiry, he was imposed a minor penalty of reduced pay for three years. His promotion from Grade II to III, which was pending due to the disciplinary case, was later cancelled in 2002. The appellant challenged it. In 2012, he was promoted to Scale-III, but subsequent attempts in 2016, 2017, and 2018 for promotion to Scale-IV were unsuccessful. The court held that the appellant should be granted promotion to Manager Grade-III from 28.07.2001, along with all monetary benefits, as the defects in the disciplinary enquiry were not the appellant's fault, and these defects were acknowledged by the Bank. The appellant's denial of promotion in 2016, 2017, and 2018 was not clearly explained in the records, and the court granted him the liberty to pursue legal remedies regarding further promotions. The respondents were directed to remedy the situation by granting the promotion and monetary benefits with interest at 6% per annum within 4 weeks.

# RAKESH KUMAR CHARMAKAR VS. THE STATE OF M.P.

CITATION: CIVIL APPEAL  
NO.1303-1304/2025

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE VIKRAM NATH AND  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE  
PRASANNA B. VARALE

DATE: 27/01/2025

The case involves the recruitment of employees in the Madhya Pradesh Veterinary Department under the 1979 rules, with a focus on those appointed on contingency or fixed wages. A 1984 circular allowed such employees to be considered temporary after three years and eligible for revised pay scales. Between 1996 and 2007, a special recruitment drive and subsequent appointments were made to fill backlog posts, including part-time sweepers. The appellants were appointed on a temporary basis with pay prescribed by the Collector. The case examines their entitlement to permanent status and regular pay scales based on the recruitment process and applicable rules and circulars.

The Court upheld the judgement of the Single judge dated 21.01.2016 that the petitioners received regular pay-scale of sweeper after completing 3 years of service. It was noted that after the initial appointment on part-time basis, the petitioners were again appointed/upgraded as attendant, bull attendant, servant, cattle attendant, watchman and sweeper. It was concluded that the petitioners were recruited pursuant to Special Recruitment Drive, against the vacant posts.

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# T. VENKATESWAR LU & ORS. VS. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH & ORS.

CITATION: WRIT PETITION  
NO. 27026 AND 27865/2024

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.  
JUSTICE VIKRAM NATH AND  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE  
PRASANNA B. VARALE

DATE: 29/01/2025

The petitioners, serving as Head Constables and Assistant Sub Inspectors in SPSR Nellore District, were originally appointed as Police Constables (Civil) in 1989 under the office of the Superintendent of Police. They were promoted to Head Constable on 22-06-2012 and were awaiting further promotion to Sub Inspector of Police. The respondent issued a Fax/Radio Message directing the selection of 58 ASIs/WASIs for a Pre-Promotional Training Course required for promotion to Sub Inspector. However, the petitioners, who had been in service since 1989, were overlooked in favor of junior officers who were appointed as Police Constables in 1992, despite the petitioners' seniority. The Court upheld the respondent's decision, ruling that the Department had followed Rules of the APPSS Rules correctly. Concluding that no illegality or arbitrariness was found in the selection process, the writ petitions were dismissed.

## 3. NOTIFICATIONS

S. No.	DATE	CIRCULAR NO.	ISSUING AUTHORITY	IMPACT ON COMPANIES	SOURCE LINK
1.	31/01/2025	S.O. 556(E)	The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	The paragraph 5 with respect to monitoring committee, of the notification vide number S.O. 2428(E), dated the 28-06-2017 is being amended. Imposition of stricter environmental regulations on nearby businesses may potentially increase compliance burden	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260654
2.	29/01/2025	S.O. 523(E)	The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	The Item 8 (Building or Construction projects or Area Development Projects and Townships) of the schedule of the notification no. S. O. 1533(E) is being substituted. Redefining of "built-up area," can potentially alter compliance requirements for construction projects.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-30012025-260608
3.	27/01/2025	S.O. 491(E)	The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	The paragraph 5 with respect to monitoring committee, of the notification vide number S.O. 2028(E), dated the 28-06-2017 is being amended. Imposition of stricter environmental regulations on nearby businesses may potentially increase compliance burdens.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260579
4.	01/02/2025	G.S.R. 104(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The Notification No. 25/2002-Customs, issued by Ministry of Finance has been amended and the entries in serial no. 69 and 69A, have been substituted. Introduction of customs duty exemptions for lithium-ion battery manufacturing equipment, reduces compliance burdens for battery manufacturing industries	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260702
5.	30/01/2025	G.S.R. 105(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The Notification No. 19/2019- Customs issued by the Ministry of Finance has been amended and the words and figures "or 90" has been substituted with "90 or 93" against serial numbers 10, 11, 12 and 13 in Column No. 2 and in column (3), the term ammunition has been omitted, further an item III has been inserted as "Ammunition for the goods mentioned at item (I) above". Notification amends classifications and exemptions for arms and ammunition imports, potentially increasing compliance obligations for importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260698

6.	31/01/2025	G.S.R. 100(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The Notification No. 11/2018-Customs, issued by the Ministry of Finance has been amended. Notification revises import duties on various goods, potentially increasing compliance burdens for affected importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260692
7.	28/01/2025	G.S.R. 97(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The notification is, issued in public interest exempts the goods of description specified in column (3) of the Table below and falling within the heading, sub heading or tariff item of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975. Notification reduces import duties on specific goods, potentially easing compliance burdens for affected importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260693
8.	28/01/2025	G.S.R. 101(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The notification is, issued in public interest amends the notification no. 22/2022- Customs. Notification introduces structural changes in duty rates and exemptions, potentially altering compliance requirements for importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260681
9.	29/01/2025	G.S.R. 103(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The notification is, issued in public interest amends the notification no. 57/2017- Customs dated 30th June 2017. Notification revises duty exemptions for electronic and telecommunication equipment, potentially altering compliance requirements for importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260680
10	28/01/2025	G.S.R. 98(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The notification, issued in public interest amends the notification no. 50/2017- Customs dated 30th June 2017 and certain provisions regard marine products and drugs has been amended and inserted. Notification introduces amendments to Basic Customs Duty rates on various goods, potentially altering compliance requirements for importers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260682
11	28/01/2025	G.S.R. 96(E)	The Ministry of Finance	The notification, amends the notification no. 27/2011- Customs dated 1st March 2011 and Serial Number 25C, 25D and 25E has been substituted, an entry 25J has been inserted all these amendment pertains to leather. Notification revises duty exemptions and classifications for	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260683

				leather and hides, potentially altering compliance obligations for importers	
12	28/01/2025	S.O. 528(E)	The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade	The Import Policy of items covered under 890690 of Chapter 89 of ITC (HS), 2022, Schedule – I (Import Policy) has been amended and revised from "restricted" to 'free'. Change of Policy for import from "Restricted" to "Free," reduces compliance burdens for importers.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260667
13	27/01/2025	F. No. 01/77/171/062 /AM23/EC(S)	The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade	The DGFT has notified the Standard Operating Procedure/ Guidelines for Voluntary Disclosure of Non Compliance/ Violations related to Export of SCOMET Items and SCOMET Regulations as under Para 10.19 of HBP which specifies the scope, types of violation, procedure for voluntary disclosure, documents required for voluntary disclosure and action by DGFT. The new guidelines allows voluntary disclosure of export violations thereby potentially reducing penalties but increasing compliance responsibilities for exporters	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260659
14	27/01/2025	HQ-PUB013 /1/2020-PUB - BIS (1148)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standards, particulars of which are established from DOE: 17.01.2025 and valid till date of withdrawal 17.07.2025- 1. IS 999 : 2025 2. IS 1682 : 2025 3. IS 1682 : 2025 4. IS 3095 : 2025 5. IS 3902 : 2025 6. IS 4750 : 2025 7. IS 4818 : 2025 8. IS 999 : 2025 9. IS 5057 : 2025 10. IS 5058 : 2025 11. IS 5343 : 2025 12. IS 5345 : 2025 13. IS 6385 : 2025 14. IS 6438 : 2025 15. IS 6692 : 2025 16. IS 999 : 2025 17. IS 6886 : 2025 18 IS 7716 : 2025 19. IS 8103 : 2025 20. IS 8291 : 2025	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260613

				<p>21. IS 8293 : 2025 22. IS 10267 : 2025 23. IS 999 : 2025 24. IS 11800 : 2025 25. IS 16024 : 2025 ISO 8454 : 2024 established from DOE: 17.01.2025 and valid till they are withdrawn 26. IS 19062 : 2025 ISO 37005 : 2024 27. IS 19144 : 2025 ISO 22340 : 2024 increases compliance burdens by requiring adherence to updated standards, certifications, and process modifications.</p>	
15	27/01/2025	HQ-PUB015/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1149)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	<p>The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standard, IS 4989 : 2018 Foam Concentrate for Producing Mechanical Foam for Fire Fighting — Specification (Fourth Revision) particulars of which are established from DOE:17.01.2025 and valid till date of withdrawal 16.07.2025.increases compliance burdens by requiring adherence to updated standards, certifications, and process modifications</p>	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260614
16	27/01/2025	HQ-PUB013/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1144)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	<p>The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standards, particulars of which are established from DOE: 17.01.2025 and valid till date of withdrawal 17.07.2025-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.IS 2026 (Part 10) : 2025 IEC 60076-10 : 2016 Power Transformers- Part 10 Determination of Sound Levels (First Revision)</li> <li>2. IS 4340 : 2025 Needle Bar Links for Sewing Machines for Household Purposes - Specification (First Revision)</li> <li>3. IS 6303 (Part 3) : 2025 IEC 60086-3 : 2021 Primary Batteries- Part 3 Watch Batteries</li> <li>4. IS 13717 : 2025 Textiles — Polyester Cotton Blended Khadi (Polyvastra) Suitings for Uniform — Specification (First Revision)</li> </ol>	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260615

established from DOE: 17.01.2025 and valid till they are withdrawn

5. IS 18968 : 2025  
Interconnection and Interoperability of Distributed Energy Resources with Associated Electric Power Systems Interfaces

6. IS 18969 : 2025  
Conformance Test Procedures for Equipment Interconnecting Distributed Energy Resources with Electric Power Systems and Associated Interfaces

7. IS 18970 : 2025  
IEEE Std 1547.7 TM – 2013  
Guide for Conducting Distribution Impact Studies for Distributed Resource Interconnection

8. IS 18972 (Part 1) : 2025  
IEC TS 62600-1 : 2020  
Marine Energy — Wave, Tidal and Other Water Current Converters

9. IS 18972 (Part 2) : 2025  
IEC TS 62600-2 : 2019  
Marine Energy — Wave, Tidal and Other Water Current Converters  
Part 2 Marine Energy Systems —Design Requirements

10. IS 18972 (Part 10) : 2025  
IEC TS 62600-10 : 2021  
Marine Energy — Wave, Tidal and Other Water Current Converters  
Part 10 Assessment of Mooring System for Marine Energy Converters (MECs)

11. IS 18972 (Part 20) : 2025  
IEC TS 62600-20 : 2019  
Marine Energy — Wave, Tidal and Other Water Current Converters  
Part 20 Design and Analysis of an Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) Plant — General Guidance

12. IS 18972 (Part 100) : 2025  
IEC TS 62600-100 : 2012  
Marine Energy — Wave, Tidal and Other Water Current Converters  
Part 100 Electricity Producing Wave Energy Converters — Power Performance Assessment. increases compliance burdens through revised standards, certification requirements,

				audits, and process adjustments for entities	
17	27/01/2025	HQ-PUB013/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1143)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	<p>The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standards, particulars of which are established from DOE: 17.01.2025 and valid till they are withdrawn</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS 9385 (Part 6) : 2025 IEC 60282-4 : 2020</li> <li>2. IS 16197 (Part 12) : 2025 IEC 62321-12 : 2023</li> <li>3. IS 18818 : 2025 IEC 63333 : 2023</li> <li>4. IS 18925 (Part 1) : 2025 IEC 62561-1 : 2023</li> <li>5. IS 18925 (Part 2) : 2025 IEC 62561-2 : 2018</li> <li>6. IS 18925 (Part 3) : 2025 IEC 62561-3 : 2023</li> <li>7. IS 18925 (Part 4) : 2025 IEC 62561-4 : 2023</li> <li>8. IS 18925 (Part 5) : 2025 IEC 62561-5 : 2023</li> <li>9. IS 18925 (Part 6) : 2025 IEC 62561-6 : 2023</li> <li>10. IS 18925 (Part 7) : 2025 IEC 62561-7 : 2024</li> <li>11. IS 18925 (Part 8) : 2025 IEC TS 62561-8 : 2018.</li> </ol> <p>Requirement of updated certifications, adherence to revised standards, audits, and process modifications increases compliance burden on companies.</p>	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260616
18	27/01/2025	HQ-PUB013/1/2020-PUB-BIS (1142)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	<p>The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standards, particulars of which are established from DOE: 14.01.2025 and valid till date of withdrawal 14.07.2025-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS 750 : 2025 Textiles — Handloom Cotton Lungies — Specification</li> <li>2. IS 1094 : 2025 Textiles — Handloom Cotton Gada Cloth — Specification</li> <li>3. IS 1937 : 2025 Textiles — Handloom Cotton Bleeding Madras — Specification</li> <li>4. IS 1939 : 2025 Textiles — Handloom Cotton Handkerchiefs — Specification</li> <li>5. IS 3942 : 2025</li> </ol>	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260617

				<p>Marine Sounding Rods — Specification 6. IS 11332 : 2025</p> <p>Industrial Ovens — Code of Practice 7. IS 15719 : 2025</p> <p>Road Vehicles — Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)/ Bio Compressed Natural Gas (BioCNG)/ Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) — Fuel System Components — Electrical Wiring Kit established from DOE: 14.01.2025 and valid till they are withdrawn</p> <p>8. IS/IEC 60947-7-1 : 2009</p> <p>Low-Voltage Switchgear and Controlgear Part 7 Ancillary Equipment Section 1 Terminal Blocks for Copper Conductors</p> <p>9. IS/IEC 60947-7-2 : 2009</p> <p>Low-Voltage Switchgear and Controlgear Part 7 Ancillary Equipment Section 2 Protective Conductor Terminal Blocks for Copper Conductors. The amendment increases compliance burdens through stricter certification, revised standards, additional audits, and necessary process adjustments</p>	
19	30/01/2025	HQ-PUB013 /1/2020-PUB - BIS (1147)	The Bureau of Indian Standards Department of Consumer Affairs	The BIS hereby notifies that Indian standards, regarding medical equipment's (dentistry, cardiovascular, implants) particulars of which are established from DOE: 14.01.2025 and valid till date of withdrawal 14.07.2025 and some are valid until withdrawn. It increases compliance burdens through updated standards, mandatory certifications, additional audits, documentation, and process modifications.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260619
20	29/01/2025	S.O. 526(E)	The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has in view of the availability of test facilities for limited capacities, providing more time for compliance, the implementation of Quality Control Order(QCO), 2017 for SPV inverters (items 4-5) of the capacity of more than 100 kW (>100 kW) stands extended from 31.12.2024 to 31.12.2025 or till further order. Compliance burden increases due to mandatory certifications, testing, audits, adherence	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-30012025-260631

				to revised standards, documentation requirements, and stricter regulatory enforcement	
21	31/01/2025	F.No. 01/02/82/AM-19/EDI-Part(1))	The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade	The Paragraph No. 2.93(c), 2.93(d) is amended, paragraph no. 2.91(d) is omitted and 2.93(f) is inserted in the Chapter 2 of the Handbook of Procedures, 2023. Compliance burden increases due to mandatory e-Certificate of Origin adoption, digital documentation, procedural changes, system integration, and regulatory adherence.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-28012025-260525
22	30/01/2025	F. No. 6/35/2024-DGTR	The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Directorate General of Foreign Trade	The notification pertaining to Termination of anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of Para Nitrotoluene (PNT) originating in or exported from the European Union. Compliance burden increases due to procedural adjustments, documentation updates, regulatory adherence, and potential operational changes following termination notification requirements	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-27012025-260499
23	30/01/2025	F. No. 6/35/2024-DGTR	The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce Directorate General of Foreign Trade	The existing policy condition with regards to the ITC HS Code of Glufosinate Technical under Chapter 38 of the ITC (HS), 2022, Schedule -I (Import Policy) has been amended. Importers are mandated to ensure compliance with the new Minimum Import Price, accurate valuation, documentation, and regulatory adherence, increasing compliance burdens.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-27012025-260494
24	29/01/2025	EFD.CO.No.1/02.08.001/2024-25	The Reserve Bank of India	The RBI while considering the amendment to the provisions of Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007, and with the objective of rationalising and consolidating enforcement action has amended the framework for imposing monetary penalty. Compliance burden increases due to stricter penalties, enhanced reporting, procedural adherence, documentation requirements, and regulatory oversight under the amended framework	<a href="https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12773&amp;Mode=0">https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12773&amp;Mode=0</a>

25	28/01/2025	DOR.FIN.RE C.No.58/03.10 .136/2024-25	The Reserve Bank of India	A new paragraph 56A has been inserted as "Raising Money through Private Placement by NBFCs" and Paragraphs 57-68A has been deleted. Compliance burden increases due to revised issuance norms, enhanced disclosure requirements, stricter regulatory oversight, documentation updates, and procedural adherence for HFCs. Compliance burden increases due to revised issuance norms, enhanced disclosure requirements, stricter regulatory oversight, documentation updates, and procedural adherence for HFCs.	<a href="https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12772&amp;Mode=0">https://www.rbi.org.in/Scripts/NotificationUser.aspx?Id=12772&amp;Mode=0</a>
26	29/01/2025	SEBI/HO/MIR SD/TPD/CIR/ 2025/10	The Securities and Exchange Board of India	The Master Circular No. No. SEBI/HO/MRD 2/PoD-2/CIR/P/2023/171 dated 16-10-2023 in Clause 8.2 of Chapter 2 has specified the comprehensive framework for System Audit for Stock Brokers(SBs) /Trading Members (TMs). So, a technology based mechanism to monitor and supervise the way in which the system audits are conducted and to prescribe eligibility criteria for the empanelment of auditors is being introduced. Compliance burden increases due to mandatory system audits, enhanced reporting, stricter cybersecurity norms, regulatory scrutiny, and technology-based monitoring requirements for stock brokers.	<a href="https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/framework-for-monitoring-and-supervision-of-system-audit-of-stock-brokers-sbs-through-technology-based-measures_91424.html">https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/framework-for-monitoring-and-supervision-of-system-audit-of-stock-brokers-sbs-through-technology-based-measures_91424.html</a>
27	27/01/2025	SEBI/HO/MR D/POD- III/P/CIR/2025 /12	The Securities and Exchange Board of India	The SEBI has released a circular which established committees, functioning of the committee, establishes the rating framework, timeline for evaluation, principles for appointment of Independent External Agency has been specified. Compliance burden increases due to mandatory evaluations, detailed assessments, enhanced reporting, governance reforms, regulatory scrutiny, and documentation requirements for MIIs and committees.	<a href="https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/parameters-for-external-evaluation-of-performance-of-statutory-committees-of-market-infrastructure-institutions-miis-and-mechanism-for-internal-evaluation-of-performance-of-">https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/parameters-for-external-evaluation-of-performance-of-statutory-committees-of-market-infrastructure-institutions-miis-and-mechanism-for-internal-evaluation-of-</a>

					<a href="#">miis-and-its-statutory-c-91404.html</a>
28	28/01/2025	SEBI/HO/DD HS/DDHS-PoD-3/P/CIR/2025/009	The Securities and Exchange Board of India	The circular specifies the format of due diligence certificate to be substituted by the DTs in case of secured and unsecured debt securities. Compliance burden increases due to standardized due diligence format, enhanced disclosures, stricter verification, regulatory adherence, and additional documentation for Debenture Trustees.	<a href="https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/format-of-due-diligence-certificate-to-be-given-by-the-dts_91219.html">https://www.sebi.gov.in/legal/circulars/jan-2025/format-of-due-diligence-certificate-to-be-given-by-the-dts_91219.html</a>
29	31/01/2025	G.S.R. 108(E)	Ministry of Finance	The Customs (Import of Goods at Concessional Rate of Duty or for Specified End Use) Rules has been amended and a clause 'ka' has been inserted in Rule 3 (1) defining the term "quarter" and in Rule 6(2), Rule 7(1), Rule 8(1), Rule 9(1), Rule 10(2), 10(3) and 10(5), the term 'Monthly/ Month' has been substituted with 'Quarterly/ Quarter' and further in Rule 7(3) and 10(1), the term '6 months' has been substituted with '1 year'. It reduces compliance burden for importers by extending the utilization period for imported goods from six months to one year and replacing the monthly return filing requirement with a quarterly submission.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260695
30	30/01/2025	S.O. 532(E)	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare	The amendment substitutes the existing entries regarding Pome fruits (Apple) in serial number 262. As stricter phytosanitary requirements for apple imports from Brazil are introduced, increasing compliance obligations for importers.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260655
31	30/01/2025	G.S.R. 88(E)	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology	The Good Governance Rules has been amended by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. Rules, 2025, allow private entities to use Aadhaar authentication for specified public interest services thereby introducing additional compliance requirements, including obtaining approvals from relevant ministries and the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260652

32	30/01/2025	F. No. IBBI/2024-25/GN/REG120	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India	The IBBI (Voluntary Liquidation Process) Rules has been amended by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India and certain provisions have been substituted and amended further Rule 41A "Filing of Forms" has been inserted. The amendment introduces mandatory electronic filing with strict timelines, increasing compliance burden due to potential penalties for delays.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260618
33	30/01/2025	F. No. IBBI/2024-25/GN/REG121	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India	The IBBI (Liquidation Process) Rules has been amended by the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India and certain provisions have been substituted and amended further Rule 4&A "Filing of Forms" has been inserted. The amendment introduces mandatory electronic filing with strict timelines, increasing compliance burden due to potential penalties for delays.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260622
34	30/01/2025	G.S.R. 83(E)	Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways	The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has amended the Inland Vessels (Safe Navigation, Communication & Signals) Rules, 2022. Increased compliances in 2025 Rules will improve vessel safety, enhance communication standards, clarified regulations, ensures better visibility, and better align navigation equipment mandates for inland waterways.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-30012025-260601
35	30/01/2025	F. No. IBBI/2024-25/GN/REG117	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India	The para VI of the regulations are being amended and in Clause 12A, in the proviso to sub-clause (3), the term "forty five" is substituted with "ninety" and in sub-clause (5), the word "fifteen" is substituted with the word "ninety". Better adherence to compliance standards and avoid potential conflicts of interest leading to enhanced transparency and accountability in regulatory processes.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260595
36	29/01/2025	F. No. IBBI/2024-25/GN/REG118	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India	A explanation to the proviso of Regulation 2(1)(c) has been inserted as - "It is hereby clarified that "associated" shall mean involvement in the conduct of investigation or inspection or consideration of the investigation or inspection report or issuance of show	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260596

				cause notice”. The amendment increases accountability, scrutiny, enforcement, and potential conflicts for entities involved in investigations, inspections, report consideration, or show-cause notices.	
37	29/01/2025	F. No. IBBI/2024-25/GN/REG119	Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India	In the proviso of Regulation 3 (4), the words and figures "30 days" is substituted with “thirty days from the date of closure of all proceedings related to the process under the Code before the Adjudicating Authority, the Appellate Authority, the High Court, or the Supreme Court, as the case may be”. The amendment extends the complaint filing deadline, reducing immediate compliance pressure on entities.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260597
38	29/01/2025	F. No. A-12013/13/RR/2016-UIDAI (E)	UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION AUTHORITY OF INDIA	The Regulation has been amended by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and the entries in the schedule is being amended. The amendment clarifies officer appointment procedures, potentially increasing compliance burden due to stricter adherence requirements.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260590
39	28/01/2025	S.O. 499(E)	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare	The Schedule VI - against S. No. 293 in column (2) of the Order is being amended. The amendment introduces specific treatment requirements for imported dried plums, increasing compliance obligations for importers.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260568
40	28/01/2025	S.O. 500(E)	Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare	The Schedule VI - against S. No. 49 in column (2) relating to "Betula spp (Birch)" and against S. No.184 in column (2) relating to "Juglans spp. (Walnut", against S. No.261 in column (2) relating to "Prunus spp. (Cherry)" of the Order is being amended. The amendment introduces new phytosanitary requirements for importing specific woods, increasing compliance obligations for importers.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260571
41	28/01/2025	G.S.R. 76(E)	Ministry of Finance	The Central Board of Direct Taxes has amended the Income Tax Rules, 1962. The Income-tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2025, introduce conditions for venture capital funds and finance companies in IFSCs, increasing compliance requirements for entities	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-27012025-260520

42	28/01/2025		Lok Sabha Secretariat	The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Ninth Amendment) Bill 2024 and the UT Laws (Amendment) Bill 2024 The Appropriation (Number 3) Bill 2024 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha. Increased legal adjustments, policy revisions, administrative changes, regulatory compliance, governance modifications, documentation updates, and adherence to new constitutional provisions	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-27012025-260508
43	27/01/2025	G.S.R. 85(E)	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	The Central Pollution Control Board in consultation with the Central Government has issued the Control of Water Pollution (Grant, Refusal or Cancellation of Consent) Guidelines, 2025, to control water pollution	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260660
44	27/01/2025	G.S.R. 84(E)	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	The Central Pollution Control Board in consultation with the Central Government has issued the Control of Water Pollution (Grant, Refusal or Cancellation of Consent) Guidelines, 2025, to control air pollution	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260611
45	27/01/2025	G.S.R. 94(E)	Ministry of Communications	The Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications has issued the Telecommunications (Assignment of Spectrum through Auction) Rules, 2025 which specifies the process for auction of spectrum and other provisions with respect to it. Introduce stricter compliance requirements for spectrum auctions, including mandatory electronic submissions and enhanced eligibility criteria.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-01022025-260690
46	31/01/2025	No. 1-CACAF/M&D-F/2025	Institute of Chartered Accountants of India	The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has issued the ICAI Merger and Demerger of CA Firms guidelines which will govern the mergers and demergers of CA Firms as the same is not covered under the Indian Partnership Act, 1932.Guidelines, 2024, streamlines procedures, thereby reducing compliance burdens for firms undergoing mergers or demergers.	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-31012025-260663
47	30/01/2025	S.O. 529(E)	Ministry of Commerce and Industry	The Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has introduced the Air Cooler and Air Filters (Quality	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-30012025-260636

				Control) Order, 2025 in public interest. Order, 2025, mandates compliance with Indian Standards and BIS certification, increasing compliance obligations for manufacturers	
48	29/01/2025	G.S.R. 82(E)	Ministry of Communications	The Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications has issued the Telecommunications (Standards, Conformity Assessment and Certification) Rules, 2025. Rules, 2025, introduce stricter compliance requirements, including mandatory certification and conformity assessments, increasing administrative burdens for telecommunications entities	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-29012025-260586
49	28/01/2025	S.O. 501(E)	Ministry of Commerce and Industry	The Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has introduced the Flashlight (Quality Control) Order, 2025 in public interest. Order, 2025, mandates compliance with IS 2083:2024 and BIS certification, increasing compliance obligations for manufacturers	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-28012025-260566
50	28/01/2025	No. 1-CACAF/LLP-F/2025	The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India	The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has issued the ICAI Aggregation of Limited Liability Partnership guidelines. Guidelines, 2024, introduce structured frameworks for LLP partnerships, increasing compliance obligations for participating firms	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-28012025-260556
51	28/01/2025	S.O. 492(E)	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	The Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry has introduced the Solar Systems, Devices and Components Goods Order, 2025 in public interest. Order, 2025, mandates compliance with BIS standards and introduces minimum efficiency criteria for solar products	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-28012025-260524
52	27/01/2025	Bill No. 183 of 2024	The Parliament of India	The Bill is introduced to amend the law relating to merchant shipping to ensure compliance with India's obligation under the maritime treaties and international instruments to which India is a party and also to ensure the development of Indian shipping and efficient maintenance of	Gazette ID: CG-DL-E-27012025-260519

				<p>Indian mercantile marine in a manner best suited to serve the national interest and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. Compliance burden increases due to updated regulatory requirements, enhanced safety norms, stricter documentation, environmental obligations, and increased oversight for shipping entities.</p>	
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