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MINISTRY OF COAL- THE COAL MINES (SPECIAL PROVISIONS)

ADJUDICATION OF PENALTIES RULES, 2026

The Ministry of Coal vide Notification No. G.S.R. 699(E) dated 03.08.2026, has notified the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Adjudication of Penalties Rules, 2026, effective from the date of publication in the Official Gazette. The Rules prescribe the procedure for adjudication of contraventions under the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Act, 2015, including initiation of inquiry, appointment of an Inquiry Officer, issuance of notices, submission of replies and supporting documents, and opportunities for physical or electronic hearings. While determining penalties, the adjudicating authority will consider factors such as the nature and severity of the contravention, recurrence, unlawful gain, loss to public interest or Government revenue, intent, cooperation and corrective measures. Penalties are generally required to be paid within 30 days of receipt of the order, failing which they may be recovered in accordance with the Act.

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MINISTRY OF COAL- THE COLLIERY CONTROL (AMENDMENT)

RULES, 2026

The Ministry of Coal, vide Notification No. G.S.R. 710(E) dated 06.08.2026, amended the Colliery Control Rules, 2004 by substituting Rule 9. The amendment requires prior approval for opening a coal mine, seam or section of a seam. For companies and statutory corporations, approval must be obtained from their Board or governing authority, ensuring all requisite government and statutory permissions and compliances are in place, with intimation to the Coal Controller Organisation within 15 days. Other mine owners require prior approval from the Coal Controller Organisation. These requirements also apply to recommencement of mining operations after discontinuation for 180 days or more.

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FSSAI- FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARDS (PACKAGING)

AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 2026

The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), vide Notification No. F. No. RCD-09002/1/2026-Regulatory- FSSAI dated 10.08.2026, has notified the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging) Amendment Regulations, 2026, effective from the date of publication in the Official Gazette. The amendment inserts Pan Masala under Schedule IV of the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging) Regulations, 2018, prescribing permissible packaging materials. Packaging may comprise paper, paper board, cellulose or other naturally derived materials, provided they are free from plastics, synthetic polymers, laminates, aluminium foil and metallised layers, or may use tin or glass containers. The applicable provisions of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, will also apply.

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FSSAI- DRAFT FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARDS (SAFE FOOD AND BALANCED DIETS FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 2026

The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), vide Notification No. F. No. SS-TOSP08(NOTI)/1/2026-Standard-FSSAI dated 10.08.2026, has notified the Draft Food Safety and Standards (Safe food and balanced diets for children in school) Amendment Regulations, 2026. In the Food Safety and Standards (Safe food and balanced diets for children in school) Regulations, 2020. After regulation 6 relating to 'Monitoring and surveillance', the regulation 7 shall be inserted.

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CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION- MONTHLY ESCALATION RATES FOR JULY 2026

The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, vide Notification No. Eco-M7/2026-CERC dated 11.08.2026, notified the monthly escalation rates applicable for July 2026 for payment towards procurement of power by distribution licensees under the applicable Power Purchase Agreements. The rates are 2.06% for imported coal, (-)10.99% for transportation of imported coal, and 2.37% for inland handling of imported coal.

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MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS- THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (MAINTENANCE OF PRODUCTION, STORAGE AND SUPPLY) AMENDMENT ORDER, 2026

The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, vide Order No. G.S.R. 730(E) dated 13.08.2026, amended the Petroleum Products (Maintenance of Production, Storage and Supply) Order, 1999, to introduce operational directions for LPG production and supply. Oil refining and upstream companies are required to maintain adequate LPG storage, evacuation and transportation infrastructure and implement feasible measures to maximise LPG production. The Central Government may direct companies to increase LPG production where necessary to ensure adequate domestic availability, equitable distribution and fair prices. The Order also prescribes maximum LPG production capacities for specified refineries and upstream fields, with the total potential specified at 63.81 thousand metric tonnes per day and provides for periodic updating of the Schedule.

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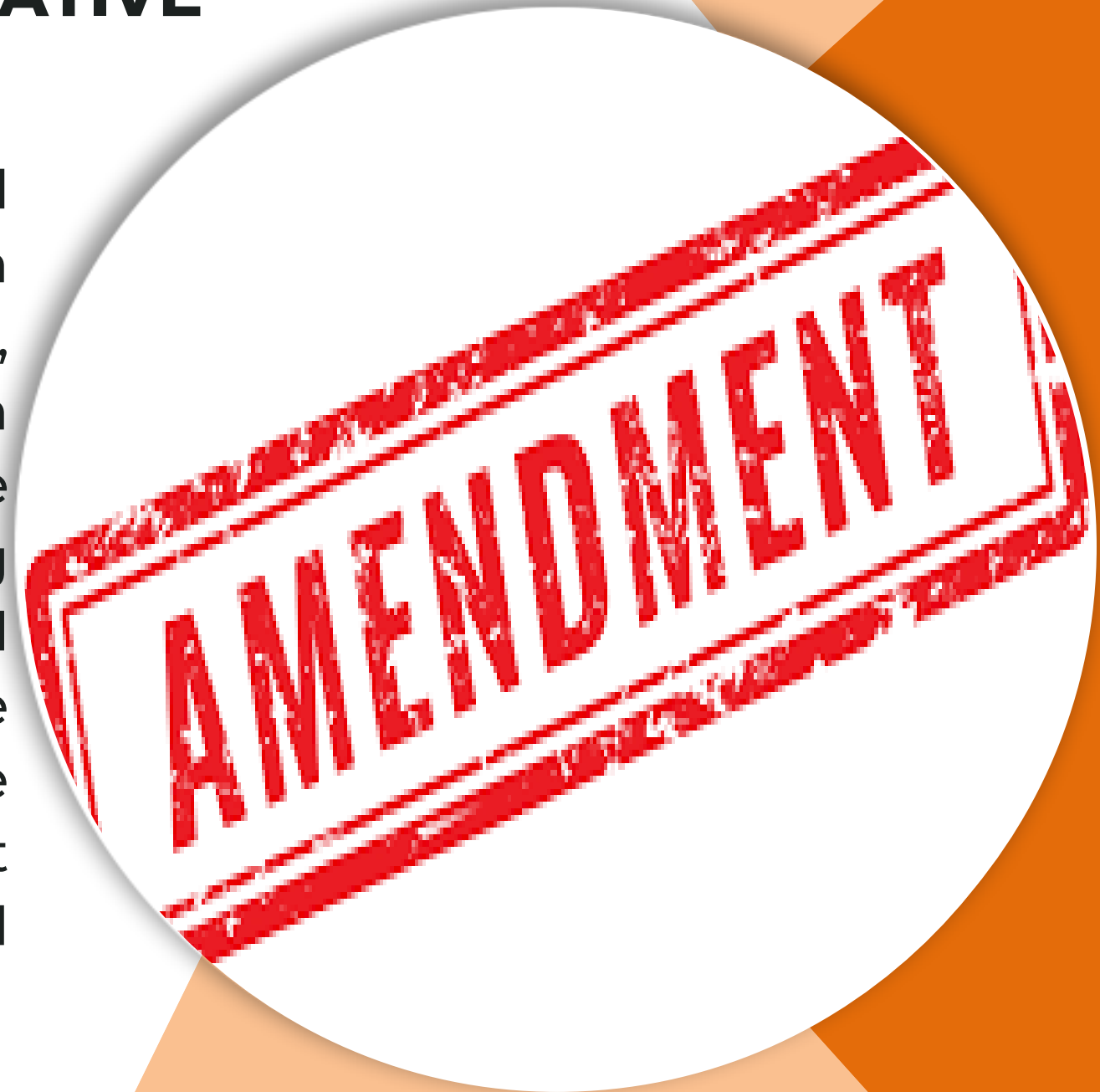
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MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE- THE NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026

Ministry of Law and Justice vide Extraordinary Notification No. 35 dated 14.08.2026, notified the National Co-operative Development Corporation (Amendment) Act, 2026, received Presidential assent on 14 August 2026, further amends the National Co-operative Development Corporation Act, 1962. The amendments expand the scope of “co-operative development” to include planning, promotion and financing programmes for co-operative societies, including processed food and other edible products. The Corporation is also empowered to provide funds, loans and grants directly to co-operative societies or eligible entities, participate in their share capital with Central Government approval, exercise incidental powers, and collect or furnish credit and other information to specified financial institutions.

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MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE- MINES AND MINERALS (DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATION) AMENDMENT ACT, 2026

Ministry of Law and Justice vide Extraordinary Notification No. 36 dated 17.08.2026, notifies Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2026. It amends Section 2, Section 3, and Section 13 of the Principal Act. It also inserts New Section 9D after Section 9C of the Principal Act.

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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS- DRAFT ALL INDIA TOURIST VEHICLES (PERMIT) (SECOND AMENDMENT) RULES, 2026

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways vide Notification No. G.S.R. 729(E) dated 13.08.2026, notifies the Draft All India Tourist Vehicles (Permit) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2026. It amends the All India Tourist Vehicles (Permit) Rules, 2023 by amending the Arabic numerals and punctuation mark in Rule 3 sub rule 3 in column 3 of serial number 1,2,3, and 4. It substitutes provisos in Rule 4 sub-rule 5. It also substitutes sub rule 2 and 3 of Rule 6. In rule 10 for the words “the destination of each tourist and”, the words “the destination, of tourists, and” shall be substituted.

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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE- DRAFT DRUGS (...AMENDMENT) RULES, 2026

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare vide Notification No. G.S.R. 745(E) dated 19.08.2026, notifies Draft Drugs (...Amendment) Rules, 2026. In the Drugs Rules, 1945, in Schedule H1 after serial number 52 and entries relating thereto, the following serial numbers and entries shall be inserted, namely:-

“53. Flupentixol” “54. Zopiclone” “55. Gabapentin” “56. Carisoprodol”.

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PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS REGULATORY BOARD- THE PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS REGULATORY BOARD (TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS INCLUDING SAFETY STANDARDS FOR PETROLEUM INSTALLATIONS) AMENDMENT REGULATIONS, 2026

Petroleum And Natural Gas Regulatory Board vide Notification F. No. PNGRB/Tech/7-T4SPI/(2)/2023 (E-4292) dated 19.08.2026, has introduced Fire & Emergency Response Augmentation (FERA) requirements for “Extreme Risk” petroleum installations with storage exceeding prescribed limits. The amendment mandates enhanced firefighting infrastructure, specialised manpower and emergency response systems, with response within 30 minutes and fire control within 65 minutes. Implementation is to be completed within 2–5 years, depending on storage capacity. The Regulations come into force from publication in the Official Gazette.

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MINISTRY OF MINES- THE MINES AND MINERALS (DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATION) AMENDMENT ACT, 2026

Ministry of Mines vide Notification No. S.O. 4642(E) dated 22.08.2026, declares 22nd August 2026 as the date on with the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2026 shall come into force.

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE- DRAFT BANNING OF CARBOSULFAN ORDER, 2026

Ministry Of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, vide Notification No. S.O. 4649(E) dated 24.08.2026, notifies draft Banning of Carbosulfan Order, 2026. The said draft order talks about Prohibition of Carbosulfan Insecticide.

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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS- DRAFT CENTRAL MOTOR VEHICLES AMENDMENT RULES, 2026

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways vide Notification No. G.S.R. 760(E) dated 25.08.2026, notifies Draft Central Motor Vehicles Amendment Rules, 2026. It amends Rule 2 (u) of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 and in Rule 125-N, the item (i) of the proviso shall be substituted by the following namely:- "(i) Vehicle is equipped with an electric motor having thirty minute power less than 0.6 kW;" and Item (iv) shall be omitted.

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MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS- FIXATION OF RETAIL PRICE IN RELATION TO THE CERTAIN FORMULATION WITH STRENGTH, UNIT AND NAME OF MANUFACTURING & MARKETING COMPANY

Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers vide Notification No. S.O.4774(E) dated 27.08.2026, notified the price as specified in column (6) of the table in the said Notification, as the retail price, exclusive of Goods and Services Tax, if any, in relation to the formulation specified in the corresponding entry in column (2) of the said Table with the strength, unit and name of manufacturer & marketing company, as specified in the corresponding entries in columns (3), (4) and (5) thereof.

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MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS- EXEMPTION FROM DPCO, 2013 FOR POVIDONE IODINE THROAT SPRAY

Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers through National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority, vide Notification No. S.O. 4779(E) dated 27.08.2026, has exempted M/s. G.S. Pharmbutor Private Limited's Povidone Iodine Throat Spray 0.45% w/v from the provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order), 2013 for five years w.e.f. 17 December 2024, being the date of its marketing approval. The company is required to inform NPPA of the PTR and MRP through Form V and apply for retail price approval, where applicable, three months before expiry of the exemption.

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GUJARAT: PROCEDURE FOR PROJECT PROPONENTS TO OBTAIN GPCB COMMENTS DURING ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE PROCESS

Gujarat Pollution Control Board vide Circular dated 03.08.2026, has prescribed a procedure for Project Proponents (PPs) to obtain GPCB comments during processing of Environment Clearance (EC) proposals through the PARIVESH 2.0 Portal. PPs are required to submit an online application under the “EC to CTE” module on the GPCB XGN Portal after generation of the Demand Note, use the existing PCB ID or create a new one as applicable, and pay the prescribed processing fee through the XGN payment gateway. The payment receipt must then be uploaded on PARIVESH for verification by GPCB, following which the concerned Regional Office will provide comments and environmental safeguards and forward the proposal to the EAC/SEAC. The procedure is effective immediately.

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KERALA: UPDATED LIST OF INDUSTRIES AND NON-INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES IN KERALA

The Kerala State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) has issued a Circular dated 03.08.2026, updating the list and categorisation of industries and non-industrial activities in the State in line with the revised White Category sectors notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. The updated list includes activities such as dry-process engineering and fabrication units, digital printing with less than five machines, electrical/electronic assembly, furniture manufacturing without spray painting, solar power generation, food and agro-processing units subject to specified limits, and other low-pollution activities. The circular also modifies/cancels earlier categorisation provisions for hotels, restaurants, banquet halls and auditoriums to the specified extent.

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ANDHRA PRADESH- APERC PERMITS 5 KW ROOFTOP SOLAR SYSTEMS FOR SINGLE-PHASE CONSUMERS

The Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission (APERC), through its Order dated 05.08.2026, has removed the practical difficulty under the APERC Grid Interactive Solar Rooftop Photovoltaic Systems under Net/Gross Metering Regulation, 2023. Consumers having single-phase LT service connections with sanctioned connected load up to 5 kW are now permitted to install Grid-Interactive Solar Rooftop Photovoltaic (SRTPV) systems up to 5 kW, notwithstanding the earlier 3 kW limit. The relaxation aims to facilitate consumer participation under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana and promote rooftop solar adoption in Andhra Pradesh and is effective from the date of issuance of the order.

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UTS OF J&K AND LADAKH - THE UT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND THE UT OF LADAKH (GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION, MULTI YEAR TARIFF), REGULATIONS, 2025

The Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for UTs of J&K and Ladakh, vide Notification No. JERC-JKL/Reg/2026/01 dated 09.08.2026, has notified the Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission for the UT of Jammu & Kashmir and the UT of Ladakh (Generation, Transmission and Distribution, Multi Year Tariff), Regulations, 2025. The Regulations prescribe the framework for tariff determination, true-up of expenses, capitalisation, depreciation and tariff components, including specific provisions for Energy Storage Systems (ESS). They also provide for provisional and final tariff determination for ESS, adoption of competitively bid tariffs, and recovery of capacity charges and cycle-efficiency incentives.

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DELHI- DELHI FIRE SERVICE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026

Delhi Legislative Assembly Secretariat vide Notification F No. 21/17/DFS(A)/2026/LAS-VIII/Legn./5996 dated 11.08.2026, notifies the Delhi Fire Service (Amendment) Bill, 2026, introduced in the Delhi Legislative Assembly on 11 August 2026, proposes to amend Section 2(i) of the Delhi Fire Service Act, 2007 by removing the reference to the “National Building Code of India”, retaining only “building bye-laws.” The amendment aims to avoid regulatory overlap and facilitate the prescription and updating of fire prevention and safety requirements through applicable building bye-laws, thereby providing greater regulatory flexibility without requiring legislative amendments for every change.

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KERALA- CONSENT MANAGEMENT OF NON-BEDDED HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (HCFS)

Kerala State Pollution Control Board issued Circular No. KSPCB/651/2026-SEE-1 dated 14.08.2026, had mandated, vide Circular No. KSPCB/258/2025-SEE-1 dated 14.05.2025 and 10.04.2026, that all non-bedded HCFs holding Board's Authorisation under Biomedical Waste Management Rules, 2016 shall apply for and obtain Consent. However, several representations were received by Board from various medical, paramedical and lab associations regarding new system of changing from the existing authorisation of Board to Integrated consent. Board after examining the matter decided that all the Non-bedded HCFs shall continue with one time authorisation under Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016.

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HIMACHAL PRADESH- THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL BYE LAWS- 2026) OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL RAMPUR BSR. FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL

The Municipal Council/Nagar Panchayat, Rampur Bushahr, Himachal Pradesh, vide Notification No. 28 dated 17.08.2026, has notified the Solid Waste Management (Collection, Transportation and Disposal) Bye-Laws, 2026 to align local waste-management practices with the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026. The Bye-Laws supersede the 2018 Bye-Laws and prescribe responsibilities for waste segregation, collection, transportation, processing and disposal, including specific obligations for Bulk Waste Generators such as online registration and annual returns. They also introduce penalties for non-compliance, including failure to segregate waste, non-registration of Bulk Waste Generators and mixing of sanitary/special-care waste with general waste.

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HARYANA- REVISION OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE CHARGES AND ENTRUSTMENT OF FUNCTIONS

The Haryana Government vide Notification dated 18.08.2026, has revised the water supply and sewerage charges and entrusted related functions to the Public Health Engineering Department/Urban Local Bodies authorities. The order prescribes conditions for water and sewer connections, including use of metered and ISI-marked meters, restrictions on industrial/commercial water use, and compliance with prescribed effluent standards before discharge into the sewerage system. Industrial units are prohibited from discharging industrial waste into sewers, with disconnection and legal action prescribed for violations. The revised water fee provisions will come into effect six months from publication in the Official Gazette.

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DELHI- DELHI ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR GREEN ENERGY OPEN ACCESS) (FIRST AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2026

Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission vide Notification F. No. 17(17)/Engg./DERC/2023-24/8020/579 dated 18.08.2026, has amended the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms and Conditions for Green Energy Open Access) Regulations, 2024 by removing the requirement that consumers be connected at 11 kV or above. Consumers with a contracted demand or sanctioned load of 100 kW or more, through a single or multiple connections, are now eligible for Green Energy Open Access. Further, no load limitation will apply to captive consumers for setting up green energy projects for captive use.

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HARYANA- HARYANA DIESEL GENERATOR SET SUBSIDY SCHEME, 2026

The Haryana Government vide Notification No. 02/05/2026-IIB-II. Dated 19.08.2026, has notified the Diesel Generator Set Subsidy Scheme to promote cleaner fuels, Retrofit Emission Control Devices (RECDs), and compliance with CPCB/CAQM emission standards among Micro and Small Enterprises. Eligible enterprises will receive 50% reimbursement up to ₹5 lakh for retrofitting/dual-fuel conversion of existing DG sets and 50% reimbursement up to ₹20 lakh for purchasing CPCB-compliant new DG sets. The scheme will be implemented in three phases across Haryana over six years, subject to eligibility, verification and continued compliance with applicable emission norms. Applications must be submitted online within three months of purchase/conversion or notification of the scheme, whichever is later.

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KARNATAKA- THE KARNATAKA MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2026

Karnataka Legislative Assembly vide Notification dated 19.08.2026, notifies Karnataka Municipal Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2026. It substitutes Section 284 of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976, empowering the Commissioner to declare a private street as a public street where the street or its drains are in poor condition and endanger public safety or health. The process may be initiated suo motu or upon a request from owners, with public notice and an opportunity to submit objections within one month. The amendment also provides that erstwhile landowners whose land was used for such streets shall not be entitled to compensation or Development Rights Certificates, and clarifies the scope of “public street.” The Act comes into force immediately.

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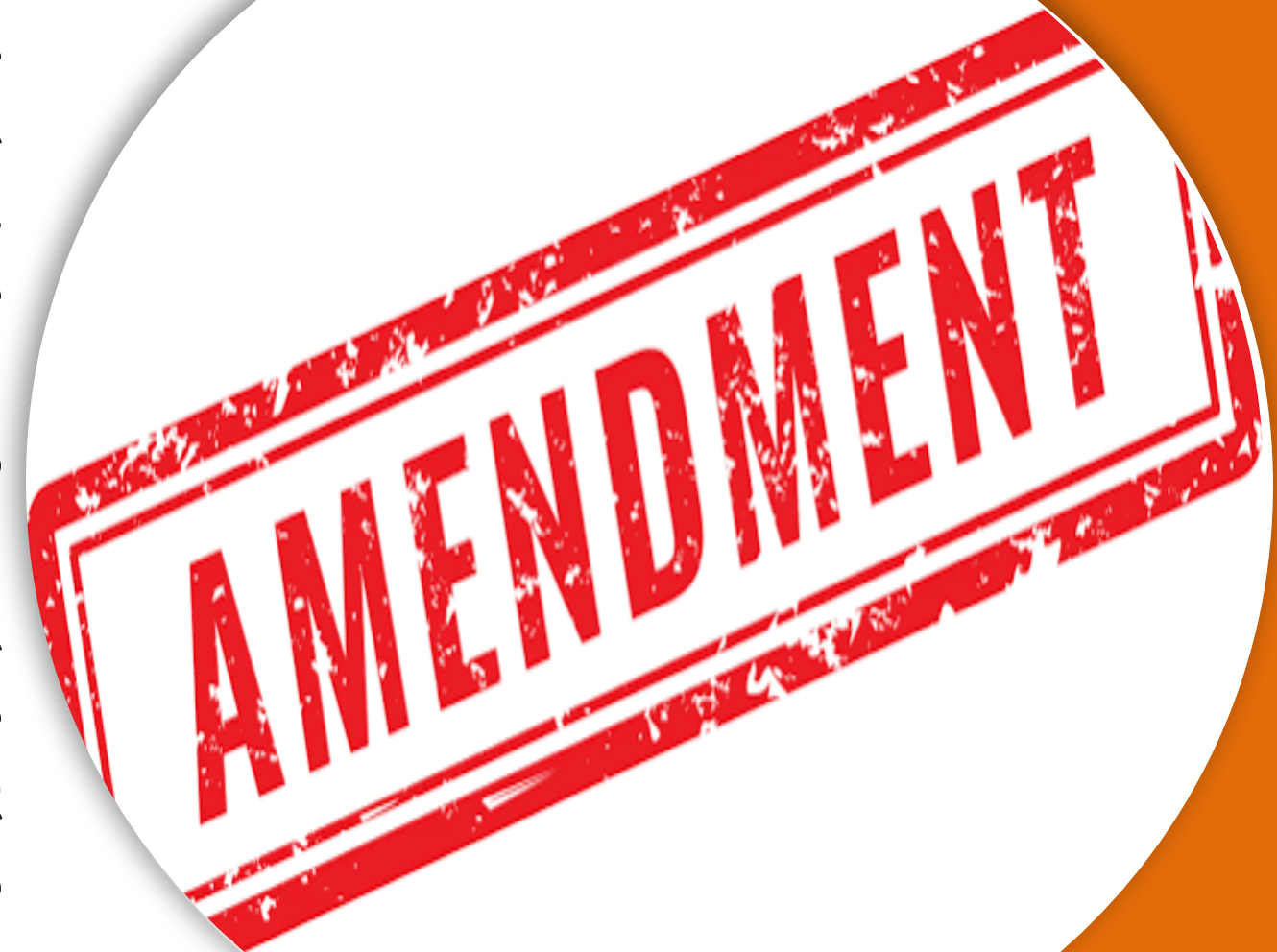
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KARNATAKA- THE KARNATAKA MUNICIPALITIES (AMENDMENT)

ACT, 2026

Karnataka Legislative Assembly vide Notification dated 19.08.2026, notifies the Karnataka Municipalities (Amendment) Act, 2026. It substitutes Section 177 of the Karnataka Municipalities Act, 1964, empowering the Commissioner or Chief Officer to declare a private street, including drains, as a public street where its poor condition endangers public safety or health. The process may be initiated suo motu or on the request of owners, subject to public notice and an opportunity to submit objections within one month. A private street must have connectivity with a public road or street, and erstwhile landowners will not be entitled to compensation or Development Rights Certificates for such street land. The amendment comes into force immediately.

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LAKSHADWEEP- ONBOARDING OF UNIFIED CONSENT & AUTHORISATION MONITORING SYSTEM

Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee through Circular F. No. LD-03001/1/2026-LPCC-S & T dated 20.08.2026, notified about the onboarding of unified consent and authorisation Monitoring system. All applications relating Consent to Establish, Consent to Operate, Renewal of Consent and Authorisation under the applicable environment Acts and Rules, shall be submitted online through the UCAMs Portal with effect from 21st August 2026 and application through offline mode shall be discontinued.

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PUNJAB- THE PUNJAB STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION (CONDUCT OF BUSINESS) (10TH AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2026

Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission vide Extraordinary Notification No. PSERC/Secy/Regu.210 dated 20.08.2026, notified the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) (10th Amendment) Regulations, 2026. It substituted Clause 4 of the Appendix of the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations, 2005.

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KERALA- CLARIFICATION REGARDING CATEGORISATION AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO SANITARY WASTE INCINERATORS AND CLARIFICATION ON CATEGORISATION OF CBWTFS

Kerala Pollution Control Board vide Circular No. KSPCB/159/2022-SEE-3 dated 21.08.2026, gave clarification regarding categorisation and conditions applicable to sanitary waste incinerators and clarification on categorisation of CBWTFS.

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MANIPUR- THE MANIPUR LEGAL METROLOGY (ENFORCEMENT) (SECOND AMENDMENT) RULES, 2026

Government of Manipur vide Extraordinary Notification No. 176 dated 21.08.2026, notifies the Manipur Legal Metrology (Enforcement) (Second Amendment) Rules, 2026. Introducing online, self-declaration-based registration for manufacturers, repairers and dealers of weights and measures. Registration certificates will be perpetual, with no renewal or prior inspection, and are to be issued within 14 working days, failing which they will be deemed granted. The amendment also revises verification procedures, fees and compounding charges, and introduces self-certification for low-risk instruments and third-party certification for other categories.

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DELHI- DRAFT DELHI LEGAL METROLOGY (GOVERNMENT APPROVED TEST CENTRE) RULES, 2026

Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi, Department of Legal Metrology, vide Notification F. No. 12(3)/W&M/Enforcement/2026/853 dated 24.08.2026, notifies the draft Delhi Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Rules, 2026. The draft contains various chapters such as Verification of Weights and Measures, Approval of Government Approved Test Centre, Duties, Qualifications and Functions of Government Approved Test Centre, Certificate, Suspension and Revocation, and Miscellaneous. It also contains 6 Schedules.

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