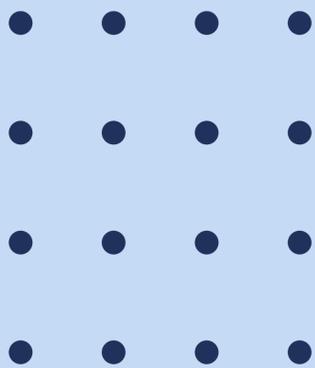
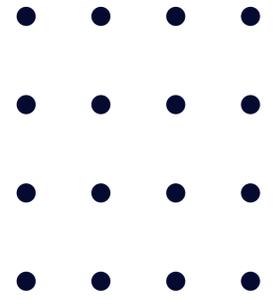


# MONTHLY COMPLIANCE ROUNDUP JAN 2025



# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER SUMMARY

The month saw **908** legal and regulatory changes across Centre and States and across various categories.

## REGULATORY CHANGES IN JANUARY 2025

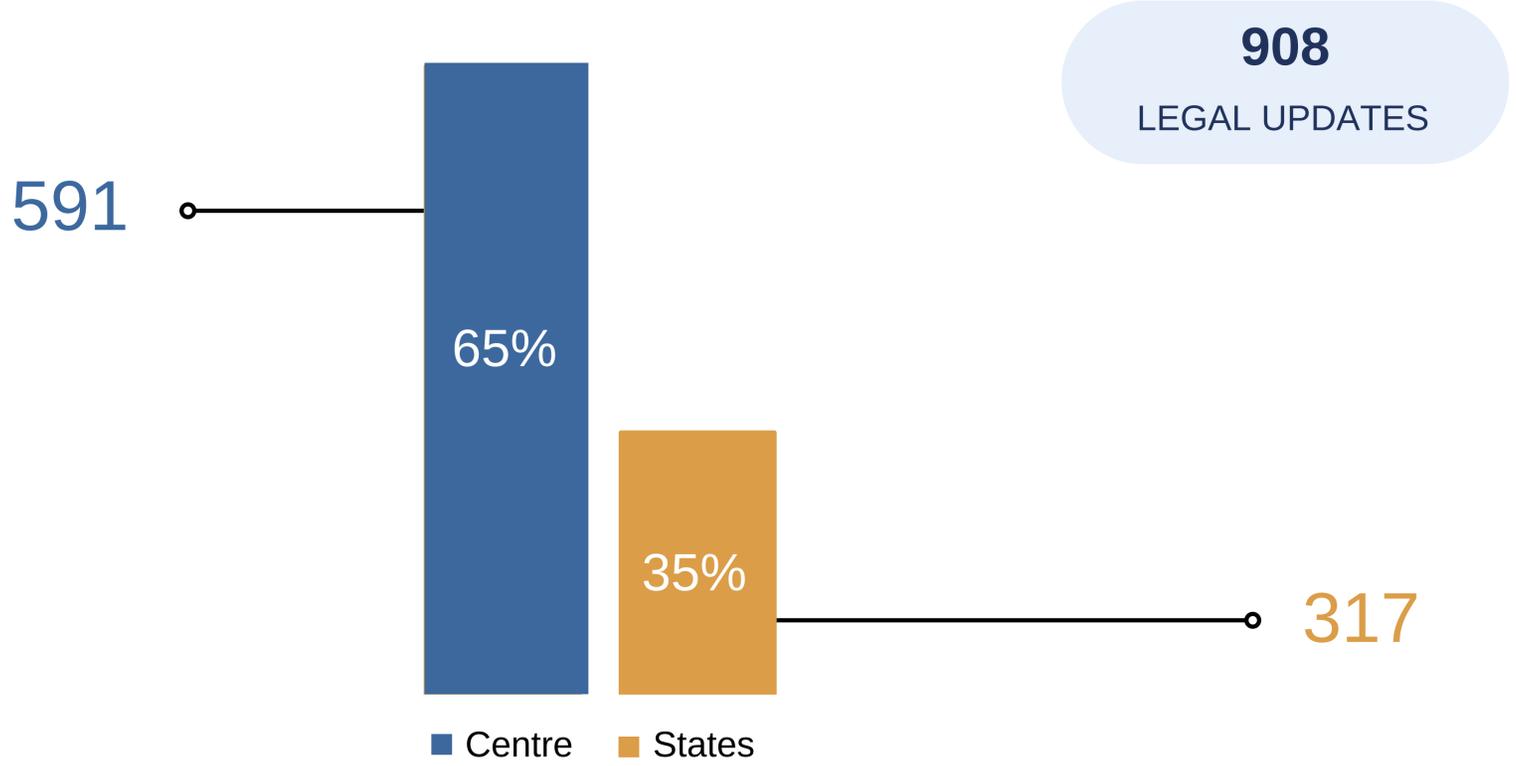
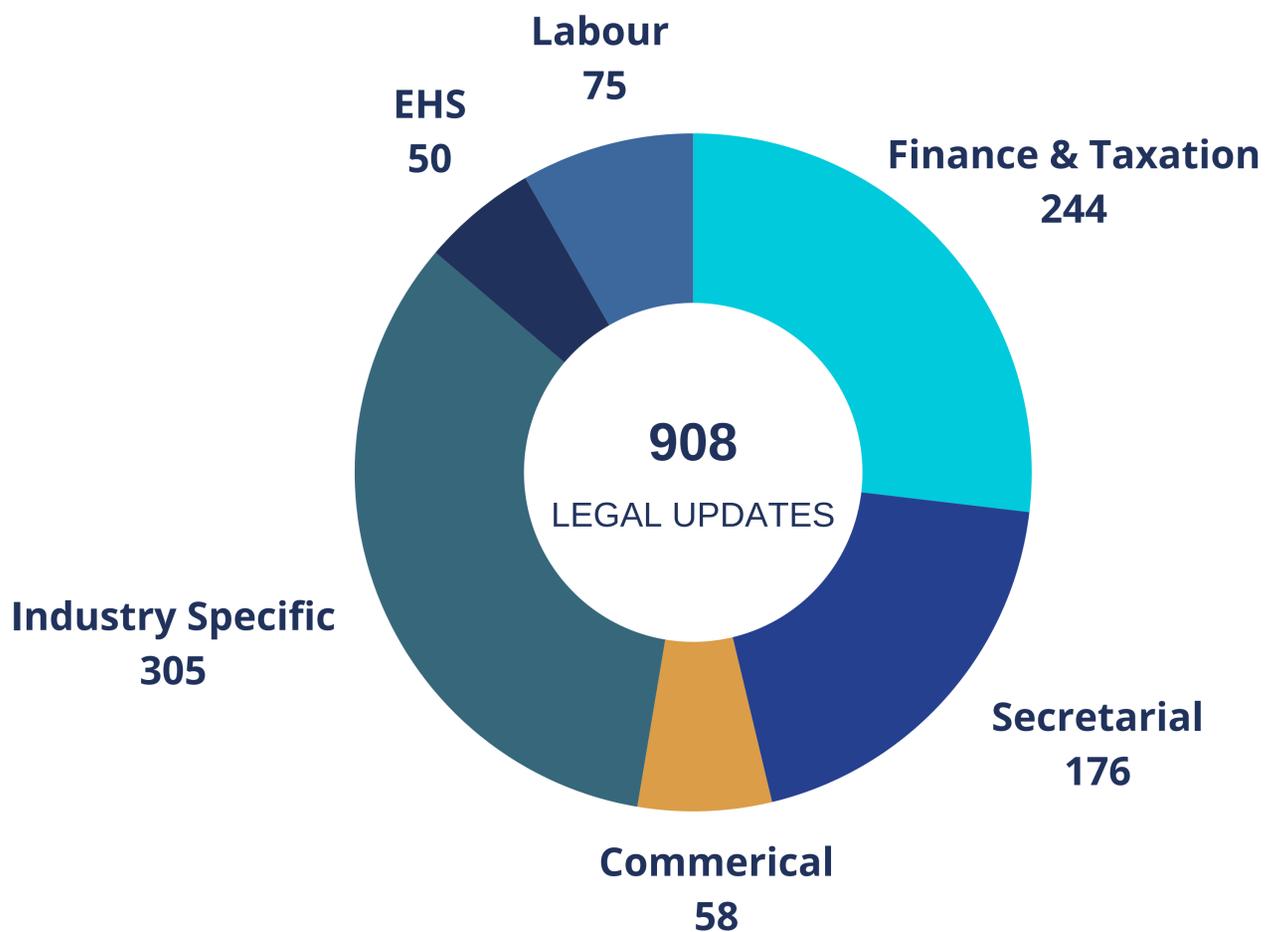


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Fig 2: Compliance Category Statistics



# 1 FINANCE AND TAXATION UPDATES

There were 244 regulatory updates in this category

- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on December 31, 2024, issued a notification to amend Notification No. 36/2001-Customs (N.T.), dated August 03, 2001, related to the Tariff Value of Edible Oils, Brass Scrap, Areca Nut, Gold and Silver.
- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, (CBIC), on December 31, 2024, issued Clarification on various issues pertaining to GST treatment of vouchers.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 02, 2025, issued an amendment in Foreign Trade Policy 2023 to include Para 1.07A and 1.07B for consultation with stakeholders to seek views, suggestions, comments or feedback from relevant stakeholders, including importers/exporters/industry experts concerning the formulation or amendment of the Foreign Trade Policy.
- The Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) on January 01, 2025, issued the Advisory to Taxpayers on Extension of E-Way Bills.
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on December 26, 2024, issued a notification to amend Notification No. 64/2023- Customs, dated December 07, 2023, related to the imports of Yellow Peas [HS 0713 10 10] from applicable BCD and AIDC.
- The Goods and Services Tax (GST) on December 29, 2024, issued an advisory for the Waiver Scheme under Section 128A with reference to the advisory on the above subject issued by GSTN on November 08, 2024.
- The Income Tax Department on January 10, 2025, issued a notification regarding provisions for Filing an Updated Return under Section 139(8A) of the Income Tax Act.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) on January 07, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Upgradation of RuPay (International) back-office system from IRGCS system to IRGCS 2.0.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 10, 2025, released FAQ on RBI Circular for Reset of Floating Interest Rates on EMI- Based Personal Loans.
- The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) on January 09, 2025, issued a Consultation Paper on SPV Framework under IFSCA (Fund Management) Regulations, 2022.
- The Goods and Sales Taxes Network, (GSTN) on January 08, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Advisory for Biometric-Based Aadhaar Authentication and Document Verification for GST Registration.
- The Central Board of Direct Taxes, (CBDT), on January 06, 2025, issued a Notification on Tax Collection Exemption for IFSC Units under Section 206C of the Income-tax Act.
- The Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI) on January 01, 2025, issued a Proposals for the Union Budget - FY 2025-26.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 15, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Standard Operating Procedure/Guidelines for Voluntary Disclosure of Non Compliance/Violations related to Export of SCOMET Items and SCOMET Regulations.

- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on January 16, 2025, amended an older notification No. 12/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated June 28, 2017, related to exemptions on the supply of services.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 16, 2025, issued an update in the Master Direction - Export of Goods and Services.
- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on January 15, 2025, notified regarding the tariff values of the RBD Palm Oil, Crude Palm Oil, Brass Scrap, Gold, Silver and Areca nuts.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 15, 2025, issued the Foreign Exchange Management (Mode of Payment and Reporting of Non-Debt Instruments) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2025, to further amend the Foreign Exchange Management (Mode of Payment and Reporting of Non-Debt Instruments) Regulations, 2019.
- The Goods & Services Tax (GST) on January 14, 2025, issued an advisory regarding the Waiver Scheme under Section 128A.
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on January 23, 2025, issued the Central Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Rules, 2025 to further amend the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017.
- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on January 23, 2025, issued an update to the GST Portal to allow the input of negative values in Table 3.1 of GSTR-3B.
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on January 21, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Guidance for application of the Principal Purpose Test (PPT) under India's Double Taxation Avoidance Agreements.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 20, 2025, notified the update on the Master Direction - Foreign Investment in India.
- The International Financial Services Centre Authority (IFSCA) on January 17, 2025, issued the list of public holidays and banking business hours for IBUS.



- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 29, 2025, notified regarding the Regulatory Sandbox: On Tap application on theme 'Retail Payments' - Completion of Test Phase.
- The Goods and Service Tax Network (GSTN) on January 27, 2025, issued a notification regarding Hard - Locking of auto-populated liability in GSTR-3B.
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on January 24, 2025, issued cautions against the fraudsters issuing fake and fraudulent Summons for GST violations.
- The Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, on January 24, 2025, issued ICAI (Aggregation of LLPs) Guidelines 2024.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) on January 16, 2025, issued a circular regarding the Mandatory Compliance with Get Bank Live Status API and Activation of All Destination Banks for eMandate Services.
- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) on January 30, 2025, issued a notice stating that on account on account of Budget 2025-2026, due to be presented on February 01, 2025, filing of BEs would not be available from 11:00AM of February 01, 2025 till completion of updation of all changes in the ICES 1.5.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 29, 2025, notified regarding the introduction of online module for filing Annual RODTEP Return (ARR).

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## 2 SECRETARIAL UPDATES

There were 176 regulatory updates in this category

- The Bombay Stock Exchange, (BSE), on January 02, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Compliance with SEBI (Investment Advisers) Regulations, 2013 for Stock Brokers providing Investment Advice to Clients.
- The National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX) on January 02, 2025, issued a circular regarding the Measures to instil confidence in the securities market - Brokers' institutional mechanism for prevention and detection of fraud or market abuse with reference to SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/MIRSD/MIRSD-POD-/P/CIR/2024/96 dated July 04 2024.
- The National e-Governance Services Limited (NeSL) on January 02, 2025, issued a circular regarding the IU FEE Structure.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on January 03, 2025, issued a circular regarding the Settlement of Client Funds lying with Broker Dealers.
- The Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI), on January 02, 2025, issued a notification regarding the SEBI Investor website and Saarthi App offers free tools and resources for Investor Awareness and Education,.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on December 31, 2024, issued a circular regarding the Implementation of recommendations of the Expert Committee for facilitating ease of doing business for listed entities.
- The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE), on January 09, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Standardization of Exchange to Member Interface files in Unified Distilled File Formats (UDIFF) - T+0 in Equity Segment.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) on January 09, 2025, extended the time for filing Forms to monitor liquidation and voluntary liquidation processes under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- The Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd., (MCX), on January 09, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Reminder - Information sharing on Cyber Security Incident.
- The National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange Limited (NCDEX) on January 09, 2025, issued the guidelines in pursuance of amendment to SEBI KYC (Know Your Client) Registration Agency (KRA) Regulations, 2011.
- The Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) on January 08, 2025, notified regarding the incentive to DPs for opening and maintaining BSDA Accounts for the F.Y. 2023-2024.



- The Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on January 08, 2025, issued the Guidelines for Research Analysts (RA).
- The Multi Commodity Exchange Clearing Corporation Limited (MCXCCL) on January 06, 2025, issued a circular regarding Due Date Rates.
- The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) on January 08, 2025, notified regarding the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for handling Cyber Security Incidents.
- The Bombay Stock Exchange, (BSE), on January 16, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Additional Clarification on Custodian Transactions In T+0 Settlement Cycle.
- The India International Exchange (INX) on January 16, 2025, issued a circular regarding the introduction of the Liquidity Enhancement Scheme (LES) on SENSEX Futures.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on January 15, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Enablement of Trading in T+0 rolling settlement cycle for Custodial Participants.
- The Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI), on January 17, 2025, issued a notification regarding Disclosure of Risk-adjusted Return - Information Ratio (IR) for Mutual Fund Schemes.
- The Indian Clearing Corporation Limited (ICCL) on January 15, 2025, notified the Master Circular for the Electronic Gold Receipts segment.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on January 16, 2025, issued a press release regarding SMART 2025 Highlights the transformation of the Indian Securities market through Technology.
- The National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) on January 23, 2025, issued the amendments to Business Rules and Bye-Laws of NSDL w.r.t Transmission of Securities in Joint demat accounts and w.r.t Nomination.
- The National Stock Exchange, (NSE), on January 24, 2025, issued a notification Trading Supported by Blocked Amount in Secondary Market - Update on UCC Deregistration Request for ASBA Clients.
- The Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited (MCX) on January 23, 2025, issued a circular regarding the accreditation of Vault for Gold, Gold Guniea, Gold Petal, Gold Mini, Silver and Silver Mini future contracts.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on January 21, 2025, issued a press release regarding the expansion of the high-bandwidth connectivity options for Commodity Derivatives trading.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on January 22, 2025, issued the Consultation paper on promoting financial inclusion through Sachetisation of Investment in Mutual Fund schemes.
- The Indian Clearing Corporation Limited (ICCL) on January 21, 2025, issued a notification regarding Maintenance Activity on the BSE STAR MF Platform.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on January 16, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Enhancement of operational efficiency and Risk Reduction - Pay-out of securities directly to client demat account.
- The India International Depository IFSC Ltd. (IIDI) on January 31, 2025, issued a circular regarding a Change in Pay-in & Pay-out time for NSE IFSC settlement.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBI) on January 29, 2025, issued the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025, to further amend the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Liquidation Process) Regulations, 2016.

- The Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX) on January 31, 2025, issued a circular regarding Higher Bandwidth Point-to-Point Leased Line Connectivity for Members.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on January 30, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Parameters for external evaluation of Performance of Statutory Committees of Market Infrastructure Institutions (MIIs); and Mechanism for internal evaluation of Performance of MIIs and its Statutory Committees.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) on January 30, 2025, notified regarding the Annual Maintenance Charges (AMC) towards Authorised Persons.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) on January 29, 2025, issued the Guidelines for Technical Standards for the Performance of Core Services and Other Services (Amendment), 2025 under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Information Utilities) Regulations, 2017.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) on January 28, 2025, issued a circular regarding the Format of Due Diligence Certificate to be given by the DTs.

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## 3 COMMERCIAL UPDATES

There were 58 regulatory updates in this category

- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I) on January 30, 2025, issued the Air Cooler and Air Filters (Quality Control) Order, 2025.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 29, 2025, issued the date of establishment and withdrawal of certain Indian Standards (IS).
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 31, 2025, notified regarding the withdrawal of Para 2.76 of Handbook of Procedure - 2023 regarding the Track and Trace system for export of drug formulations.
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, (MCAFPD) on January 29, 2025, announced structured timeline for compliance with amendments in labelling Provisions under the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011.
- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MORTH) on January 24, 2025, issued the Draft Central Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards, (BIS) on January 03, 2025, issued a notification of regarding the date of establishment and withdrawal of Road Vehicles Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)/BioCompressed Natural Gas (BioCNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG).
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD) on January 01, 2025, issued Draft Rules for Automatic Level Gauges.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 03, 2025, issued a notification regarding amendment in Para 6.06 of HBP, 2023.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 01, 2025, notified the date of establishment and withdrawal of the Indian Standards related to the Technical Supply Conditions for Threaded Steel Fasteners.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on January 03, 2025, notified regarding the amendment by incorporation of Para 1.04 (k) in Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Procedures 2023.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 09, 2025, issued the date of establishment and withdrawal of certain Indian Standards (IS).



- The Government of Kerala on January 08, 2025, issued the Kerala Micro Small Medium Enterprises and Other Enterprises Facilitation (Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the Kerala Micro Small Medium Enterprises and Other Enterprises Facilitation Rules, 2020.
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD) on January 10, 2025, issued Draft Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Amendment Rules, 2025 further to amend the Legal Metrology (Government Approved Test Centre) Rules, 2013.
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD) on January 15, 2025, issued the Draft Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2025.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 09, 2025, issued the date of Establishment and the date till which the standard without the amendment shall remain in force for Indian Standard Particulars such as Tarpaulins made from High-Density Polyethylene Woven Fabrics.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 09, 2024, issued the date of establishment and withdrawal of certain Indian Standards (IS).
- The Bureau of Indian Standards, (BIS) on January 21, 2025, issued an amendment to the notification of the Government of India under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs) in Part III, Section 4 of the Gazette of India in pursuance of sub-rule (1) of Rule 15 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Rules, 2018.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 23, 2025, issued the Draft E-Commerce- Principles and Guidelines for Self-Governance.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) on January 21, 2025, issued the Refrigerating Appliances (Quality Control) Amendment Order, 2025 to further amend the Refrigerating Appliances (Quality Control) Order, 2020.
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD) on January 17, 2025, issued the revised Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) Policy for 2024-25.
- The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD) on January 14, 2025, notified Legal Metrology (General) Amendment Rules, 2025 further to amend the Legal Metrology (General) Rules, 2011.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 01, 2025, issued a notification to amend notification no. CMD-2/G18 dated August 05, 2021, related to the marking fee.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards, (BIS) on January 01, 2025, issued an amendment to the notification of Government of India under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs) in Part III, Section 4 of the Gazette of India in pursuance of sub-rule (1) of Rule 15 of the Bureau of Indian Standards Rules, 2018.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on January 01, 2025, issued the date of Establishment and the date of withdrawal for Indian Standard Particulars such as Meat and Meat Products.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry on December 26, 2024, notified the Special Economic Zones (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the Special Economic Zones Rules, 2006.
- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) on December 30, 2024, notified regarding the imposition of Minimum Import Price (MIP) on import of Soda Ash covered under Chapter 28 of ITC (HS) 2022, Schedule-I (Import Policy).

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## 4 INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC UPDATES

There were 305 regulatory updates in this category

- The Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) on December 16, 2024, issued the Corrigendum for the Guidelines for Prevention and Regulation of Greenwashing or Misleading Environmental Claims, 2024.
- The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) on January 01, 2025, issued a notification regarding inviting comments on standard IVD evaluation protocols drafted by ICMR and CDSCO.
- The Government of India (GoI) on January 01, 2025, issued the notification regarding the approval of Modification/addition of the features/ provisions in the ongoing Central Sector Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) and Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) for its implementation.
- The Ministry of Railways (MoR) on December 31, 2024, issued the Indian Railways (Open Lines) General (Third Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the Indian Railways (Open Lines) General Rules, 1976.
- The Ministry of Mines (MoM) on December 31, 2024, issued a proposal for amendment of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.
- The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) on December 31, 2024, issued the Computation of Retail Price of Paracetamol IP 500 + Phenylephrine HCL IP 5mg + Caffeine anhydrous 30mg + Diphenhydramine HCL IP 25mg.
- The Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) on January 06, 2025, notified regarding the updation of existing risk-based classification lists..
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, (MoAFW) on January 03, 2025, issued a Draft Insecticides (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the Insecticides Act, 1968.
- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) on January 03, 2025, issued the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Regulatory Sandbox) Regulations, 2025.
- The Ministry of Communications on January 08, 2025, notified regarding AI Touch under DoT's TTDF (Telecom Technology Development Fund) Scheme.
- The Ministry of Power (MoP) on January 08, 2025, issued the Central Electricity Authority (Manual on Transmission Planning Criteria), 2023 including Amendment -1 of 2025.
- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) on January 06, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Reset Password Process for URCS.
- The Central Drugs Standards Control Organization (CDSCO) on January 16, 2025, issued a Guidance Document Validation of Rapid Diagnostics for Pathogen Identification and Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing (AST) 2025.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 15, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) (Fifth Amendment) Regulations, 2025, to further amend the Foreign Exchange Management (Deposit) Regulations, 2016.
- The Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd., (MCX), on January 17, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Commencement of Trading in Crude Oil Mini April 2025 Option Contract with Crude Oil Mini (10 Barrels) Futures as underlying.

- The Multi Commodity Exchange Clearing Corporation Limited (MCX) on January 15, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Review of Margin Period of Risk (MPOR).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 17, 2025, issued a notification regarding coverage of customers under the nomination facility.
- The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) on January 13, 2025, issued the Revised Public Notice for Approval Process 2025-26.
- The National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) on January 21, 2025, issued the Dam Safety Measures for Dams other than Specified Dams Regulations, 2024.
- The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) on January 22, 2025, issued the operational guidelines for the scheme for the Creation/Expansion of Food Processing and Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY).
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on January 23, 2025, issued the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Regulation of Controlled Substances) Amendment Order, 2025 to further amend the Narcotic 200 Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Regulation of 3CP 981506 Controlled Substances) Order, 2013.
- The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on January 23, 2025, issued a notification regarding enhanced Food Safety Measures and Improved Import Clearance Processes in Tamil Nadu.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MCI), on January 21, 2025, notified the Electrical Appliances for domestic water heating (Quality Control) Order, 2025 and in supersession of the Electrical Appliance for domestic water heating (Quality Control) Order, 2023.
- The Government of Odisha on December 26, 2024, issued Guidelines for Secretariat Entry Pass for Media Personnel.
- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY) on January 31, 2025, notified Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Amendment Rules, 2025 further to amend the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020.
- The Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPS&W) on January 29, 2025, issued the Draft Inland Vessels (Safe Navigation, Communication & Signal) (First Amendment) Rules, 2025 to further amend the Inland Vessels (Safe Navigation, Communication & Signals) Rules, 2022.



- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) on January 30, 2025, issued a circular regarding the review of revision in premium rates under health insurance policies for senior citizens.
- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) on January 30, 2025, issued the notification regarding extension of the implementation of Quality Control Order (QCO), 2017 for SPV inverters (items 4-5) of the capacity of more than 100 kW (>100 kW).
- The Ministry of Power (MoP) on January 30, 2025, issued Guidelines for Benchmarking of Operation & Maintenance Norms for Distribution Utilities.
- The National Medical Commission (NMC) on January 30, 2025, issued a notification regarding an alert against Impersonation Calls from Fraudulent NMC Officials.
- The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) on October 07, 2024, issued the Computation of Retail Price of Calcium Citrate Malate IP eq to Elemental Calcium 250mg + Vitamin D3 1000UI.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 30, 2025, notified regarding the Framework for imposing monetary penalties and compounding of offences under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.

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## 5 EHS (ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY) UPDATES

There were 50 regulatory updates in this category

- The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) on December 31, 2024, issued the Computation of Retail Price of Paracetamol IP 500 + Phenylephrine HCL IP 5mg + Caffeine anhydrous 30mg + Diphenhydramine HCL IP 25mg.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on December 26, 2024, issued the notification regarding the Instruction Sheet - PWWs to upload a valid GST e- Invoice for the sale of product for the purpose of EPR certificate generation on the EPR portal for plastic packaging.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on December 30, 2024, issued the Environment (Protection) Third Amendment Rules, 2024, to further amend the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.
- The Commission on Air Quality Management (CAQM), on January 01, 2025, issued a notification regarding the Standard Schedule for Environmental Compensation (EC) Charges in Closure Directions/Sealing orders issued by the Commission.
- The Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) on January 09, 2025, notified regarding the GRAP invokes Stage-III of revised GRAP in the entire NCR with immediate effect in an effort to prevent further deterioration of air quality in the region.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on January 07, 2025, issued a revised notice of the 37th AQC Program for EPA Laboratories regarding the extension of the last date.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on January 07, 2025, issued Guidelines for Authorization of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Electronic Trading & Settlement Platform (EPRETP) Operator.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on January 06, 2025, issued the Environment Protection (End-of-Life Vehicles) Rules, 2025.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on January 03, 2025, issued a notification regarding the implementation of Stage-III of GRAP in NCR to Combat Deteriorating Air Quality by CAQM.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on January 16, 2025, issued a notification regarding the extension of the deadline for EPR Returns Filing.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) on January 13, 2025, issued the Draft Static and Mobile Pressure Vessels (Unfired) (Amendment) Rules, 2024, to further amend the Static and Mobile Pressure Vessels (Unfired) Rules, 2016.



- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I) on January 14, 2025, issued the Draft Ammonium Nitrate (Amendment) Rules, 2024, to further amend the Ammonium Nitrate Rules 2012.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) on January 13, 2025, issued draft Explosives (Amendment) Rules, 2024 to amend the Explosives Rules, 2008.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, (MCI) on January 13, 2025, notified the Draft Static and Mobile Pressure Vessels (Unfired) (Amendment) Rules, 2024 to further amend the e Static and Mobile Pressure Vessels (Unfired) Rules, 2016.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on January 09, 2025, issued Guidelines for Collection, Handling, Transportation and Storage of Used Oil by Collection Agent under Used Oil Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Framework.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on January 29, 2025, issued the Control of Air Pollution (Grant, Refusal or Cancellation of Consent) Guidelines, 2025.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on January 28, 2025, issued the notification regarding the Change of Bank Account in respect of CPCB Genset Application Fee.
- The Central Pollution Control Board, (CPCB) on January 29, 2024, issued a notification regarding the Fraudulent Impersonators and Fake Notices.

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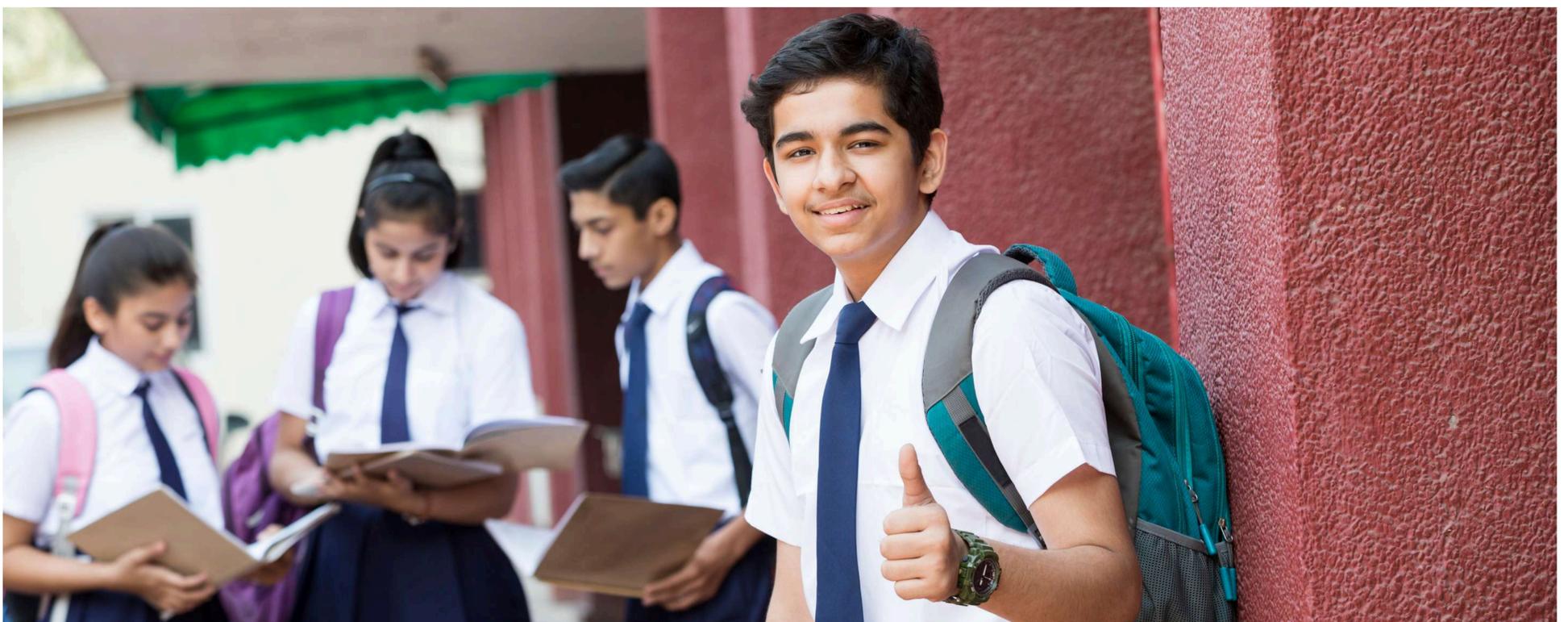
## 6 LABOUR UPDATES

There were 75 regulatory updates in this category

- The Board of Practical Training (Eastern Region) (BOPTER) on December 31, 2024, issued a notification regarding the use of the Facilitate Training & Placement (FTP) module available in the NATS 2.0 portal for issuing Award/Call Letter to students for joining as an apprentice.
- The Chandigarh Administration on December 27, 2024, issued the list of Public Holidays in all Public Offices for the calendar year 2025.
- The Government of Kerala on December 12, 2024, issued a circular regarding Social Security pensions. It is stated that the amount unduly received from the persons who cheat the Government and get Social Security Pension shall be recovered in time as per law and such persons shall not be entitled to any benefits (including Social Security Pension) from the Government in future.
- The Government of Jammu and Kashmir on December 29, 2024, issued the list of public holidays for government offices and educational institutions for the year 2025.
- The Government of Karnataka on December 24, 2024, issued a notification regarding the payment of contribution.
- The Government of Maharashtra on December 30, 2024, issued a circular regarding revised procedures for crediting monthly contributions under the National Pension System to PRAN Accounts.
- The Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) on January 03, 2025, notified regarding the modifications in the Audit Manual.
- The State Insurance and Provident Fund Department, Rajasthan on November 20, 2024, notified regarding depositing the amount received from ERM in NPS bank account.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoL&E) on January 03, 2025, notified regarding the Centralized Pension Payments System fully rolled out in all regional offices of EPFO across India.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 03, 2025, issued the interest rate for the deposits made under the Special Deposit Scheme for Non-Government Provident, Superannuation and Gratuity Funds.



- The Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) on December 30, 2024, notified regarding the revision of Pharmaceuticals Purchase Policy (PPP) products linked to the Wholesale Price Index as per the provision contained in DPCO, 2013, and the increase in raw material rates.
- The Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) on January 03, 2025, notified regarding the modifications in the Audit Manual.
- The State Insurance and Provident Fund Department, Rajasthan on November 20, 2024, notified regarding depositing the amount received from ERM in NPS bank account.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoL&E) on January 03, 2025, notified regarding the Centralized Pension Payments System fully rolled out in all regional offices of EPFO across India.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on January 03, 2025, issued the interest rate for the deposits made under the Special Deposit Scheme for Non-Government Provident, Superannuation and Gratuity Funds.
- The Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) on December 30, 2024, notified regarding the revision of Pharmaceuticals Purchase Policy (PPP) products linked to the Wholesale Price Index as per the provision contained in DPCO, 2013, and the increase in raw material rates.
- The Board of Practical Training, Eastern Region (BOPTER) on January 10, 2025, issued a notification regarding the uploading of RoP for Establishments for the Generation of Certificate of Proficiency (CoP) for Apprentices in the NATS 2.0 portal.
- The Board of Practical Training (Eastern Region) (BOPTER) on January 10, 2025, notified regarding the mobilization of students to fill up vacant slots notified under NATS.
- The Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoS&PI) on January 13, 2025, issued the Consumer Price Index Numbers on Base 2012=100 for Rural, Urban and Combined for the Month of December 2024.
- The NITI Aayog on January 08, 2025, notified regarding the launch of 'EmpowHER Biz' to Boost Women's Entrepreneurship in Retail.
- The Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoL&E) on January 23, 2025, issued a notification regarding the All-India Consumer Price Index Numbers for Agricultural and Rural Labourers - December 2024.



- The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) on January 17, 2025, issued a circular regarding the De-Linking of erroneously linked Member IDs from UAN.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE) on January 19, 2025, notified regarding the simplification of the Online Process for Member Profile Updation.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE) on January 19, 2025, notified regarding the PF transfer Process to Enhance Service Delivery and Ensure Ease of Living for members.
- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) on January 14, 2025, issued the Master Circular - Advisories to be followed by Point of Presence (PoPs) under NPS (All Citizen and Corporate)/NPS-Lite/APY.
- The Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) on January 18, 2025, issued clarifications on policy issues related to the processing of Pensions on Higher Wage cases.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoL&E) on January 29, 2025, notified regarding the declaration of the Industry engaged in the India Government Mints, Kolkata, Noida, Mumbai and Hyderabad as a Public Utility Service.
- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) on January 28, 2025, issued Draft Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (Unified Pension Scheme) Regulations, 2025.
- The Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) on January 23, 2025, notified regarding the revised rate of interest for Q4 concerning Staff Provident Fund in EPFO.

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