

## COVID-19 Lockdown Circulars Index

### A. Central Circulars

#### 1. Ministry of Home Affairs

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	15 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Lockdown measures will continue to remain in force upto 3 May 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Select additional activities will be allowed, which will come into effect on 20 April 2020.</li><li>• Concerned authorities are to ensure strict adherence to Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for social distancing in offices, workplaces, factories and establishments.</li><li>• Activities allowed to remain functional –<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) All health services such as hospitals, telemedicine facilities; authorised private establishments which support provisioning of essential items or containment efforts, manufacturing units of drugs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, etc.</li><li>b) Agriculture and related activities</li><li>c) Financial sector activities such as - RBI and RBI regulated financial markets, payment system operators and standalone primary dealers; Bank branches and ATMs, IT Vendors for banking operations, etc.</li><li>d) Social sector establishments</li></ol></li></ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e) Certain Public utilities</li> <li>f) Movement, loading/unloading of goods/cargo (inter and intra state)</li> <li>g) Commercial and private establishments relating to - rent &amp; Electronic Media, DTH and Cable services; IT &amp; IT enabled services, with upto 50% strength, E-commerce companies and vehicles used for them will be allowed to ply for necessary permissions; courier services, etc.</li> <li>h) Industries/Industrial establishments relating to - Industries operating in rural areas; Establishments with access control in Special Economic Zones (SEZ) and Export Oriented Units (EOUs; manufacturing units of essential goods, drugs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, their raw materials and intermediaries, etc.</li> <li>i) Certain construction activities such as of roads, renewable energy projects and other listed in the guidelines.</li> <li>• National Directives for Covid-19 management at workplaces, public spaces, manufacturing establishments.</li> </ul>
2.	29 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Order to restrict movement of migrant labour and prevent violation of lockdown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Governments/UT to ensure adequate arrangements of temporary</li> </ul>

				<p>shelters, food etc for the poor and needy, including migrant labour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All employers, including industry and shops &amp; commercial establishments are to make payment of wages to the workers for the period of lockdown of the establishment.</li> <li>• Landlords where such workers reside, including migrant, are not to demand rent for the period of one month.</li> </ul>
3.	26 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	<p>Pursuant to the lockdown guidelines issued on 24 March 2020, the Indian government issued a standard operating procedure to maintain the supply of essential goods.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the SOP, the government has ordered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Suppliers of essential goods, facilities for storage of such goods, transporters and manufacturing units be allowed to operate (even if they store non-essential items),</li> <li>b) All facilities operating must ensure strict social distancing, engaging of bare minimum staff, regular health and sanitation checks, and provision of protective gear to employees,</li> <li>c) All facilities must be registered with the state government/ union territory under the Shops and Establishment regime,</li> <li>d) Retailers shall supply only essential goods and also allow an audit of their records,</li> <li>e) Employees working in the supply chain to be allowed to commute on the basis of an e-pass or any other certification issued; those working in the un-organised sector may be</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

				<p>allowed based on an approval issued by local authorities, and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State governments will set up control rooms to register complaints.</li> </ul>
4.	<p>24 March 2020</p> <p>Amended on 25 March, 27 March, 2 April, 3 April, and 10 April 2020</p>	<p><a href="#">Click Here</a></p>	<p>Order of Lockdown and Guidelines issued on measures to be taken by ministries and local governments have been issued, which includes measures on lockdown on all private establishments/factories and the exceptions to the same.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guidelines on measures to be taken by ministries and local governments have been issued, which includes measures on lockdown on all private establishments/factories, except (and others listed in the circular): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Transportation of all essential and non-essential goods is allowed;</li> <li>b) Hospital and all related medical establishments, including their manufacturing and distribution units, etc.,</li> <li>c) Transportation for all medical personnel, nurses, para-medical staff and other hospital support services.</li> <li>d) Shops for ration, food, groceries, milk and milk booths (where district authorities should encourage and facilitate home delivery to minimize the movement of individuals outside their homes).</li> <li>e) Milk supply, distribution and its packaging material.</li> <li>f) Banks, insurance offices and ATMs, including IT Vendor for banking operations, banking correspondent and ATM operation and cash management agencies.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employers of such exempted workplaces must ensure necessary precautions against COVID-19 and implement social distance measures, as prescribed and advised.</li> <li>• All other establishments may work from home.</li> </ul>
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## 2. Ministry of Labour and Employment

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
5.	2 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Status report on actions taken in response to Covid-19 issued by the Chief Labour Commissioner.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Validity of licenses granted under the Contract Labour (R&amp;A) Act, 1979 and the Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1979 are extended upto 31 May 2020 for licenses due to be renewed in March, April &amp; May 2020</li> <li>• Distress calls received from employees in the country are forwarded to regional heads to take up issues with concerned principal employers/ contractors/ private enterprises etc.</li> <li>• Regional labour authorities advised to reach out to all principal employers and major contractors to advise them on timely payment of wages without deductions for the lockdown period, providing workers with food &amp; shelter - especially migrant workers and also not to retrench them.</li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various examples of punitive action taken against non-compliant power companies in Gujarat and Spice Jet provided as precedents.</li> </ul>
6.	23 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Advisory to refrain from terminating employees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employers are advised to not terminate services of employees, especially casual or contractual workers, or reduce the wages of such staff.</li> <li>• Employees on leave must be treated as continuing in employment.</li> <li>• If office premises are made non-operational due to COVID-19, then employees must be deemed to be continuing in employment.</li> </ul>
7.	20 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Advisory to refrain from terminating employees.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employers are advised to not terminate services of employees, especially casual or contractual workers, or reduce the wages of such staff.</li> <li>• Employees on leave must be treated as continuing in employment.</li> <li>• If office premises are made non-operational due to COVID-19, then employees must be deemed to be continuing in employment.</li> </ul>

### 3. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
8.	26 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Permits and waivers issued for Renewable Energy Generating Stations (REGS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In order to ensure smooth and uninterrupted power flow across and within states measures have been issued</li> </ul>

				such as -transportation permits for REGS staff, waiver from Section 144, ensuring availability of equipment and materials required, allowing round the clock mobilization of staff.
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#### 4. Ministry of Shipping

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
9.	23 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Order declaring “transport service for carriage of goods by water and any service connected with loading, unloading, movement or storage of goods in any port are essential service”.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Order declaring “transport service for carriage of goods by water and any service connected with loading, unloading, movement or storage of goods in any port are essential service” and ensuring uninterrupted port operation.</li> </ul>

#### 5. National Disaster Management Authority

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
10.	3 May 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Order issued for Government of India, State Governments, State Authorities and other concerned authorities to take steps to ensure social distancing measures in India.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Empowering Central &amp; State Government, State Authorities to take measures to ensure social distancing in India.</li> <li>Ensuring maintenance of essential services and supplies, including health infrastructure.</li> <li>Issuing of necessary guidelines in this regard.</li> <li>Measures to be in force for a period of 21 days w.e.f. 25 March 2020.</li> </ul>

11.	14 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Lockdown measures issued in Consolidated Guidelines of Ministry of Home Affairs to stay in force upto 3 May 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lockdown measures issued in Consolidated Guidelines of Ministry of Home Affairs to stay in force upto 3 May 2020.</li></ul>
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## B. Lockdown Relaxations – Central

### 1. Ministry of Commerce and Industry

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	11 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Press release on Relaxations/ Extensions of various compliance deadlines relating to exporters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sets out extensions and deadlines of various compliances pertaining to:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foreign trade policy</li> <li>Special Economic Zone Units</li> <li>Export Credit Guarantee Corporation</li> <li>Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority</li> <li>Tobacco Board</li> <li>Tea Board</li> <li>Marine Products Export Development Authority</li> <li>Director General Trade Remedies</li> </ol> </li> <li>Measures taken up by Government e-marketplace to facilitate procurement and by the department of commerce to facilitate preferential exports have also been enlisted therein.</li> </ul>
2.	7 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of one-time condonation under Export Promotion Capital Goods until 31 March 2021.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension of one time condonation under Export Promotion Capital Goods until 31 March 2021.</li> </ul>
3.	4 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Press release announces extension of foreign trade policy (FTP) by one year and other relief measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current FTP shall be extended till 31 March 2021</li> <li>Extensions under various schemes and exemptions.</li> </ul>
4.	30 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Press release on the Relaxations on compliances to be met by units / developers / codevelopers/ of Special Economic Zones (SEZ)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The relaxations include:                             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SOFTEX form to be filled by IT/ITES units</li> <li>Filing of Annual Performance Units (APR) by SEZ units</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

				c) Extension of Letters of Approvals in cases as specified in the release.
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## 2. Ministry of Corporate Affairs

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	8 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	General Meetings through audio visual means	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The circular allows Extra-ordinary General Meetings (“EGMs”) of shareholders to be convened through Audio Visual (“AV”) means to deal with unavoidable matters till June 30, 2020.</li> <li>It details the requirements with respect to- (a) Notice; (b) Time of EGM; (c) Facilities to be ensured for conduction of EGM ; (d) Quorum; (e) Chairperson; (f) Proxy; (g) Voting; (h) Appointment of Auditor/Independent Director; (i) Institutional Investors; (j) Filing of resolutions</li> <li>A clarification on the same has been issued with respect to the mannerism of notices and facility of e-voting. The same can be accessed here: <a href="http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular17_13042020.pdf">http://www.mca.gov.in/Ministry/pdf/Circular17_13042020.pdf</a></li> </ul>
2.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	No additional late filing fees for eForm filed during 1 April to 30 Septembe, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moratorium period from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020 for filing pending eForms, document, return, statement etc., by Companies and LLPs.</li> <li>During this Moratorium Period, the Companies or LLPs are permitted to file eForms, eForms, document, return, statement etc. with the MCA after due date without payment of additional late filing fees.</li> <li>This may mean that the Companies or LLPs may be able to complete all pending filings during the Moratorium Period.</li> <li>The manner and detailed requirements of making these filings during Moratorium Period shall be separately issued by MCA.</li> </ul>

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
3.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Gap between two consecutive board meetings extended to 180 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The gap between two consecutive board meetings convened during the next 2 quarters, i.e. upto September 30, 2020 have now been extended to 180 days instead of 120 days. For example, if the board meeting of the Company is due to be held by March 31, 2020, the same can be held by May 30, 2020. <b>However, the MCA has not relaxed the number of board meetings to be convened in each year.</b></li> </ul>
4.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Applicability of Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 from FY 2020-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, Gap between two consecutive board meetings extended to 180 days 2020 ("CARO 2020") was notified by the MCA on February 25, 2020 in supersession of the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2016 ("CARO 2016"). CARO 2020 was originally applicable for statutory audits for the Financial Year 2019-20.</li> <li>The applicability of CARO 2020 is now applicable for statutory audit of Financial Year 2020-21 onwards and CARO 2016 continues to apply for statutory audits for Financial Year 2019-20.</li> </ul>
5.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relaxation of holding a meeting of Independent Directors in FY 2019-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For the Financial Year 2019-20 the requirement of holding 1 (one) board meeting by independent directors of the Company is waived off i.e. the Company is deemed to have complied with this requirement, even if the independent directors have not been able to hold such a meeting during Financial Year 2019-20.</li> </ul>
6.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of period for creation of Deposit Repayment Reserve till June 30, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirement of companies that have accepted deposits from its members to deposit 20% of the amount of its deposits has been extended till 30 June 2020.</li> </ul>
7.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of period for investment/ deposit of amounts in lieu of maturing debentures till June 30, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirement of companies that have issued secured debentures (other than those specifically exempted) to invest 15% of amount of debentures has been extended till 30 June 2020.</li> </ul>

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
8.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of filing of eForm INC-20A by newly incorporated companies by additional 180 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirement to file eForm INC 20-A with the registrar within 180 days of incorporation has been extended by an additional 180 days.</li> </ul>
9.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relaxation of having at least 1 resident director in FY 2019-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requirement to have at least 1 director who stays in India for a total period of not less than 182 days during the financial year has been relaxed for the Financial Year 2019-20.</li> </ul>
10.	23 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	CSR funds may be used for COVID-19 relief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MCA have clarified that the expenditure for relief of COVID-19 shall be considered as expenditure toward CSR as activities constituting promotion of health care, including preventive health care and disaster management.</li> <li>Clarification with respect to this has been issued stating that contribution to PM Cares fund is eligible as CSR but contribution to state relief fund / Chief Minister relief fund will not be eligible. It also details other such related clarifications. The same can be accessed here: <a href="https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1613404">https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1613404</a>.</li> </ul>
11.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>  *PIB Link	Threshold of default under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The threshold of default under IBC has been raised to Rs 1 crore (from the existing threshold of Rs 1 lakh) in order to prevent triggering of insolvency proceedings against MSMEs.</li> </ul>
12.	19 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Board meetings through Audio-Visual (AV) means	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Until 30 June 2020, the MCA has permitted the board of directors to approve certain matters, that were erstwhile allowed to be approved at physical meetings only, by way of meetings held through AV means. These matters include:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of annual financial statements,</li> <li>Approval of board's report,</li> <li>Approval of prospectus,</li> <li>Audit committee meeting for considering financial statements, and</li> <li>Approval of matters related to amalgamation, merger, demerger, acquisition and takeover.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In this regard, the Companies (Meetings of Board and its Powers) Amendment Rules, 2020 have been amended as well and are detailed in the circular.</li> </ul>
13.	29 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Non-inclusion of lockdown period in corporate insolvency resolution process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The period of lockdown shall not be counted for the purposes of timeline for any activity that cannot be completed in relation to corporate insolvency resolution process.</li> </ul>

### 3. Ministry of Labour and Employment

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	13 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of Relaxation of deadline with respect to contributions payable under the Employee's State Insurance Scheme ("ESIC") for the months of February 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ESI Contributions payable for the month of February 2020 can now be filed and paid up to 15 May 2020 instead of earlier extended period of 15 April 2020.</li> </ul>
2.	10 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Scheme with guidelines for the implementation credit of employee's & employer's share of Employee Provident Fund ("EPF") & Employee's Pension Scheme ("EPS") contributions (24% of wages) by Government of India as provided under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana's ("PMGKY") relief package announced on 26 March 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The scheme is to implement the PMGKY package for credit of employee's and employer's share of EPF &amp; EPS contributions (24% of wages) for three months by Govt. of India.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Validity- March, April and May of 2020.</li> <li>Eligibility for establishments- Establishments of factories registered under EPF Act 1952; Establishments where total number of employees employed are upto 100, with 90% or more of such employees earning less than Rs.15,000 monthly.</li> <li>Eligibility for Employees - Employed in an eligible establishment drawing a monthly salary below Rs.15,000 and having Unique Account Number ("UAN") of employee linked to Aadhar; Employee should be registered under EPF &amp; EPS and has received contribution for any period during last 6 months ( September 2019 to February 2020) in the</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

				<p>Electronic Challan Cum Return (“ECR”) by eligible establishments against UAN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructions for availing scheme - Employers are not supposed to deduct employee’s share of EPF contributions for the validity period of scheme; Filing of forms and ECR in accordance with the instructions listed in the scheme.</li> </ul>
1.	27 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	EPF Scheme allows withdrawal of non-refundable advance to EPF member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The notification permits withdrawal of upto the amount of basic wages and dearness allowance for 3 months or upto 75% of the amount standing to member's credit in the EPF account, whichever is less.</li> </ul>
2.	20 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of filing of Unified annual return under 8 Labour laws for the year 2019 upto 30 April 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Filing of Unified annual returns for the year 2019 under 8 Acts and 10 central rules to be filed from 1 January to 1 February 2020 has been extended upto 30 April 2020.</li> </ul>
3.	20 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relaxation provided in filing all returns, notices and other forms required under the Mines Act, 1952 due for submission in the month of March and April of 2020, for a period of 1 month from the respective due dates.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relaxation is provided in filing all returns, notices and other forms required under the Mines Act, 1952 due for submission in the month of March and April of 2020, for a period of 1 month from the respective due dates.</li> </ul>
4.	16 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relaxation of regulations with respect to contributions payable under the Employee’s State Insurance Scheme (“ESI”) for the months of February & March 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ESI contributions payable for the month of February &amp; March 2020 can be filed upto 15 April and 15 May 2020 instead of 15 March and 15 April 2020, respectively.</li> </ul>

#### 4. Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	30 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of period Payment of stipend to trade apprentice during period of lockdown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extension of period of apprentice for a period equal to the period of lockdown</li> <li>• Payment of stipend during the period of said lockdown or for a maximum period of 6 months, whichever is less.</li> </ul>

#### 5. Ministry of Finance

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	24 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relief measures announced by the Finance Ministry relating to statutory and regulatory compliances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3-month relaxations for-               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Debit cardholders to withdraw cash for free from any other banks' ATM for 3 months</li> <li>b) Waiver of minimum balance fee</li> <li>c) Reduced bank charges for digital trade transactions for all trade finance consumers</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
2.	26 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relief package under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana to help the poor in response to COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various subsidies, insurance cover, assistance for the poor and effected by Coronavirus.</li> </ul>

#### 6. Ministry of Consumer Affairs

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	26 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of period for verification and stamping of weights and measures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Period of extension of 3 months (to subsequent quarter) for verification and stamping of weights and measures</li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relaxation of 3 months on additional fees payable by the users of weights and measures for re-verification, due to expiry of stamp on postponement of re-verification.</li> </ul>
2.	20 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exemption to e-commerce operations from prohibitory orders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exemption to e-commerce operations (warehousing &amp; logistic facilities and services), wholesalers, vendors and third party delivery partners from any type of prohibitory orders, issued under Section 144 Cr.P.C by state governments and from orders mandating closures.</li> </ul>

### 7. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Instructions regarding invoicing of joint meter regarding during lockdown period.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructions regarding invoicing of joint meter reading during lockdown period to ensure timely payments to Renewable Energy generators.</li> </ul>
2.	20 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Time extension in scheduled commissioning date of Renewable energy projects considering disruption of supply chains due to Covid-19 as Force Majeure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treatment of delay as Force Majeure</li> <li>Suitable grant of extensions for projects on account of disruption of supply chains</li> <li>Developers claiming such disruption and desirous of extension to make application as prescribed in the circular</li> <li>State Renewable Energy Departments also requested to treat such delay on account of disruption of supply chains as Force Majeure.</li> </ul>

### 8. Ministry of Power

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
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1.	28 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Reduction in payment security and extensions for power sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payment security to be reduced by 50% by the distribution companies with the generating companies till 30 June 2020</li> <li>• Three moratorium to discoms to make payments to generating companies and transmission licensees and no penalty rates of late payment surcharge.</li> </ul>
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### 9. Ministry of Coal

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	9 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Coal India Limited extends Usance Letter of Credit Facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extension of Usance Letter of Credit to power sector consumers for payment of coal instead of cash advance for the fuel supply.</li> <li>• Agreements (FSA), to improve working capital cycle of the generators.</li> </ul>

### 10. Ministry of Civil Aviation

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
5.	3 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of validity of approvals and licenses/authorizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extension of various approvals and licenses / authorizations issued under Aircraft Rules, 1937</li> </ul>
6.	3 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Issue/ extension of Airworthiness Review Certificate (ARC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issue / extension of Airworthiness Review Certificate (ARC) as per specified in the circular.</li> </ul>

### 11. Ministry of Environment and Climate Change

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
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1.	27 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of validity of Prior Environmental Clearances expiring between 15 March 2020 and 30 April 2020, till 30 June 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension of the validity period of Environmental Clearances expiring 15 March 2020 and 30 April 2020, till 30 June 2020 provided that such project or activity is permissible to be carried out as per other relevant extant laws &amp; regulation during the period of such extension.</li> </ul>
2.	25 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	All projects or activities related to bulk drugs and intermediates manufactured for addressing ailments such as COVID-19 and those with similar symptoms have been categorized as 'B2' for a period up to the 30th September 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All projects or activities related to bulk drugs and intermediates manufactured for addressing ailments such as COVID-19 and those with similar symptoms have been categorized as 'B2' for a period up to the 30 September 2020. They shall not be required to submit an Environment Impact Assessment ('EIA') report for the given time period.</li> </ul>

## 12. Reserve Bank of India

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	27 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Covid-19 regulatory package issued by the Reserve Bank of India ("RBI")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All commercial banks, financial institutions, Non-Banking Financial Institutions, co-operative banks are permitted to grant a moratorium of three months on payment of all instalments falling due between 1 March 2020 and 31 May 2020 in respect of all term loans.</li> <li>In respect of working capital facilities sanctioned in the form of cash credit/overdraft, lending institutions are being permitted to allow a deferment of three months on payment of interest in respect of all such facilities outstanding as on 1 March 2020.</li> <li>Easing of working capital financing by recalculation of 'drawing power' by reducing the margins or reassessing the working capital cycle.</li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reliefs relating to classification as Special Mention Account (SMA) and Non-Performing Asset (NPA)</li> <li>• The rescheduling of payments, including interest, will not qualify as a default for the purposes of supervisory reporting and reporting to Credit Information Companies (CICs) by the lending institutions.</li> <li>• Lending institutions are to frame policies in accordance with the package for providing the reliefs to all eligible borrowers.</li> </ul>
2.	27 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Development and Regulatory measures taken by Reserve Bank of India	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liquidity Measures-             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Targeted Long-Term Operations (TLRO)- In order to assist cash flows across sectors, Reserve Bank will conduct auctions of targeted term repos of up to three years tenor of appropriate sizes for a total amount of up to Rs. 1,00,000 crore at a floating rate, linked to the policy repo rate.</li> <li>b) Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR)- Reduce the cash reserve ratio (CRR) of all banks by 100 basis points to 3.0 per cent of net demand and time liabilities (NDTL) with effect from the reporting fortnight beginning 28 March 2020, available up to 26 March 2021.</li> <li>c) Marginal Standing Facility - increase the accommodation under the marginal standing facility (MSF) from 2 per cent of the statutory liquidity ratio (SLR) to 3 per cent with immediate effect. This measure will be applicable up to June 30, 2020.</li> <li>d) Widening of the Monetary Policy Rate Corridor - decided to widen the existing policy rate corridor from 50 bps to 65 bps. Under the new corridor, the reverse repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility (LAF) would be 40 bps lower than the policy repo rate, as against existing 25 bps.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Regulation and Supervision-</li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Deferment of Implementation of Net Stable Funding Ratio – NSFR, required to be introduced by banks in India from 1 April 2020, has now been decided to defer the implementation of NSFR by six months to 1 October 2020</li> <li>b) Deferment of Last Tranche of Capital Conservation Buffer - The capital conservation buffer (CCB), designed to ensure that banks build up capital buffers during normal times, its implementation of the last tranche of 0.625 per cent of the CCB deferred from 31 March 2020 to 30 September 2020</li> <li>• Financial Markets-             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Permitting Banks to Deal in Offshore Non-deliverable Rupee derivative Markets (Offshore Rupee NDF Markets) - banks in India which operate International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) Banking Units (IBUs) are being allowed to participate in the NDF market with effect from 1 June 2020</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3.	16 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Indicative list of operational and Business continuity measures to be taken up by Companies in response to COVID-19, issued by RBI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Devising strategy to contain the same within the organisation and spread awareness.</li> <li>• Reviewing 'Business Continuity Plan' (BCP) with the aim of continuity in critical interfaces and prevention disruption of services</li> <li>• Companies to encourage their customers to use digital banking facilities</li> <li>• Assess impact on their balance sheet, liquidity, asset quality etc.</li> </ul>
4.	8 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	IRDAI permits insurers to grant a moratorium of three months towards payment of instalments falling due between 1 March 2020 and 31 May 2020.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insurers are permitted to grant moratorium of three months towards payment of instalments falling due between 1 March 2020 and 31 May 2020 for term loans. Repayment schedule for such loans will be</li> </ul>

				<p>shifted across the board by three months subsequent to the moratorium period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interest shall continue to accrue on the outstanding portion of the term loans during such moratorium period.</li> <li>• The rescheduling of payments, including interest, will not qualify as a default for the purpose of reporting of NPAs.</li> </ul>
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### 13. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relaxation of six weeks from due dates in respect of submission of monthly and quarterly reports by Telecom Regulation Authority of India.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relaxation of six weeks from due dates in respect of submission of monthly and quarterly reports for the period ending 31 March 2020 for all telecom service providers.</li> </ul>

### 14. Ministry of Shipping

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of validity of sanitation certificate for all Indian registered vessels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extension of validity of sanitation certificate for all Indian registered vessels upto 30 June 2020.</li> </ul>

## C. Lockdown Relaxations – State

### 1. Haryana

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	7 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Implementation of new online service to enable seeking approval regarding operations of Industries/Establishments during lockdown/curfew	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of a new service on “Saral Haryana Portal” for applications from Industries and establishments seeking approval to resume operations during Lockdown/curfew.</li> <li>• Process for the application can be accessed <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>
2.	3 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Relief on power consumption charges for Industries and Businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the consumption of 50kw is 50% or less by Industries &amp; Businesses using big power connections, fixed charges of March 2020 and April 2020 will be waived off.</li> <li>• High Tension (HT) connections larger than 50kW, fixed charges upto a maximum limit of Rs.10,000 will be waived off.</li> </ul>
3.	25 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Financial Relief Package in response to COVID-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industries and commercial establishments advised not to terminate or retrench any employee for their absence in lockdown period.</li> <li>• No surcharge or interest on delayed electricity bill payments till 15 April 2020 by any domestic, commercial or small industrial consumer.</li> <li>• No surcharge or interest on delayed payment of water or sewage bills by due date, until 15 April 2020.</li> <li>• Due date of all taxes under Haryana Motor Vehicle Taxation Act shall be extended upto 30 April 2020.</li> <li>• 100% exemption from Motor Vehicle taxation to Stage and contract carriage vehicles for the period they are not allowed to ply in lockdown</li> <li>• No penalty for any delay w.r.t vehicles becoming due for renewal/passing for the period of 15 March 2020 to 30 April 2020.</li> </ul>

4.	25 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exempting E-commerce operators / retailers to operate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exemption to E-commerce operators/retailers to operate during lockdown.</li> </ul>
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## 2. Maharashtra

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Moratorium on Electricity bill payments for three billing cycles.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moratorium on payment of fixed charges of the electricity bill by consumers under Industrial and Commercial category for the three billing cycles beginning from the lockdown date 25 March 2020.</li> </ul>
2.	31 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) extends validity period of consent to operate/authorization for a period of 4 months till 31 July 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MPCB has extended the validity of consent to operate for all the units, who have a valid consent to operate up to 31 March, 2020 and have applied for a renewal /shall apply before 30 April 2020 for renewal will be extended for further period of four months i.e., till 31 July 2020 as an interim measure.</li> </ul>

## 3. Karnataka

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	3 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exemption to Industrial establishments requiring continuous process from the purview of ongoing lockdown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industrial establishments requiring continuous process have been exempted and allowed to operate during lockdown after obtaining requisite permissions.</li> <li>Exempted industries are – integrated steel plant; Petroleum refinery unit; Cement Plant; Fertilizer Plant; Pulp and Paper unit; Glass manufacturing unit; Coal Tar Distillation unit</li> <li>They are to follow preventive measures detailed in the annexure of the circular.</li> </ul>

2.	3 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) extends storage period of Hazardous Waste beyond 90 days.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Karnataka State Pollution Control Board in its office order has permitted the occupier to store the Hazardous Waste, beyond 90 days. However, the occupier shall ensure that the hazardous waste is not allowed to store beyond 15 days after lifting of lockdown.</li> </ul>
3.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exempting industries supplying to Defense and Aerospace manufacturing from the purview of the lockdown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exempting industries supplying to Defense and Aerospace manufacturing from the purview of the lockdown.</li> </ul>
4.	26 March 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exempting E-commerce operators/retailers to operate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exemption to E-commerce operators/retailers to operate during lockdown.</li> </ul>

#### 4. Telangana

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Extension of payments of property taxes and arrears for a period of three months.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period for payment of property taxes and arrears pertaining to F.Y 2019-20 has been extended by 3 months, upto 30 June 2020 with no additional penalty for the extended period.</li> </ul>

#### 5. Tamil Nadu

No.	Issuance Date	Circular Links	Measures	Details
1.	7 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Exemption to Industrial establishments requiring continuous process from the purview of ongoing lockdown.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industries whose operations are permitted include- Steel; Cement; Fertilizers; Refineries; Chemicals; Textiles (Excluding Garments)</li> </ul>



2.	1 April 2020	<a href="#">Click Here</a>	Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) extends validity period of consent to operate/authorization for a period of 3 months till 30 June 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TNPCB has extended the validity of consent to operate for all the units, who have a valid consent to operate up to 31 March 2020 for a period of three months up to 30 June 2020.</li></ul>
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