

WEEKLY COMPLIANCE ROUNDUP

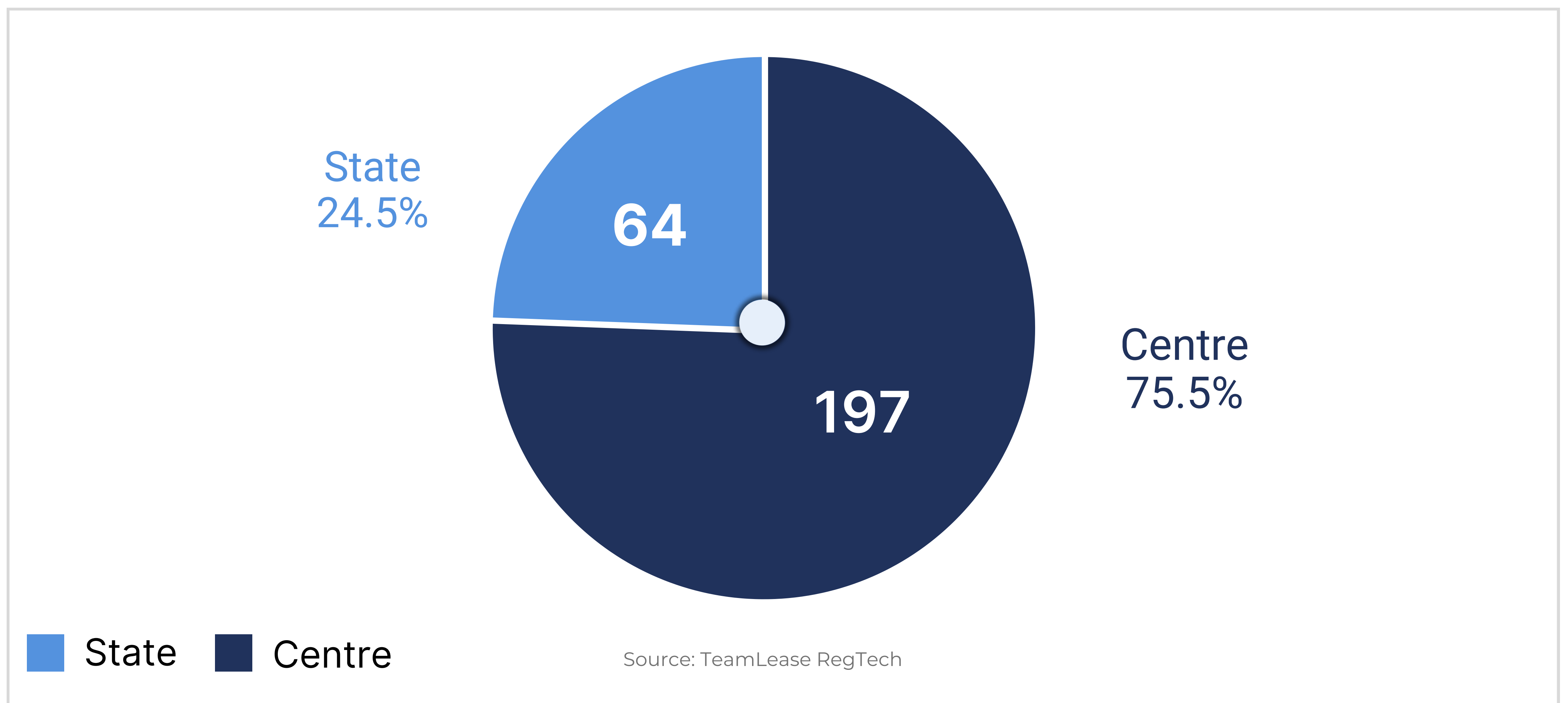
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Weekly Newsletter Summary

Total Legal Updates **261**

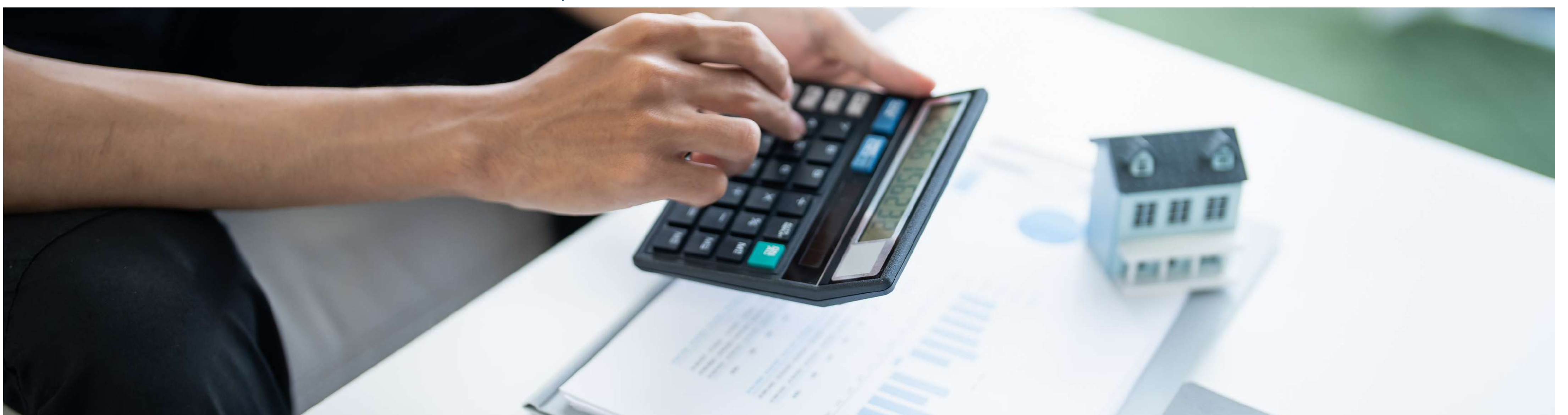


1 FINANCE AND TAXATION

There were 36 legal updates in this category

- The Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) on December 31, 2025, issued a circular regarding the implementation of the Sea Cargo Manifest and Transshipment Regulations (SCMTR).
- The Ministry of Finance (MoF) on December 31, 2025, issued the Central Goods and Services Tax (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2025 to further amend the Central Goods and Services Tax Rules, 2017.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) notified on December 31, 2025, regarding the final redemption under the Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) Scheme, specifically the redemption price for the final redemption of SGB 2017-18 Series-XIV, due on January 1, 2026.
- The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA), on December 31, 2025, notified regarding the Grant renewal of recognition to India International Clearing Corporation (IFSC) Limited for Three Years.
- The Goods and Services Tax (GST), on December 29, 2025, issued an advisory & FAQ on Electronic Credit Reversal and Reclaimed Statement & RCM Liability/ITC Statement.

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2 SECRETARIAL

There were 59 legal updates in this category

- The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) on December 31, 2025, notified regarding the extension of time for submission of Annual Audited Networth Certificate, Auditor's Report & Audited Annual Accounts for the financial year ended on March 31, 2025.
- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) on December 31, 2025, issued the Companies (Removal of Names of Companies from the Register of Companies) Amendment Rules, 2025, to further amend the Companies (Removal of Names of Companies from the Register of Companies) Rules, 2016.
- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) on December 30, 2025, issued a notification to amend notification no. S.O. 4849 (E), dated October 23, 2025 related to the Establishment of ROCs under the LLP Act, 2008.
- The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MOCA), on December 31, 2025, issued a Consultation Note on Filling up of Data in SPICE+ Part B E-Form and Linked E-Forms.
- The National Commodity Clearing Limited (NCCL), on December 31, 2025, notified regarding the final Settlement Price of contracts expired on December 31, 2025

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3 COMMERCIAL

There were 12 legal updates in this category

- The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), on December 31, 2025, issued a notification extending the validity of the Minimum Export Price (MEP) condition on the export of Natural Honey under ITC(HS) Code 04090000, in exercise of powers under the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 and the Foreign Trade Policy, 2023.
- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoCI) on December 24, 2025, notified regarding the Next-Generation Quality Reforms to Strengthen India's Quality Ecosystem.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) on December 24, 2025, notified the date of establishment and withdrawal of the Indian Standards related to Polymer-Coated Steel Chain Link Fence Fabric.

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4 INDUSTRY SPECIFIC

There were 102 legal updates in this category

- The Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) on December 31, 2025, issued draft notice on Implementation of SOLAS Regulation II-1/3-13 - Lifting Appliances and Anchor Handling Winches on Board Indian-Flag Vessels.
- The Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), on December 31, 2025, notified regarding the Standards for Medical Devices under Medical Devices Rules, 2017 (as amended) issued by CDSCO.
- The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA), on December 24, 2025, notified the International Financial Services Centres Authority (Global In-House Centres) Regulations, 2025, establishing a dedicated regulatory framework for setting up and operating Global In-House Centres (GICs) in IFSCs.
- The Ministry of Textiles, on January 02, 2025, issued a notification regarding the extension of the deadline for the PLI Scheme for Textiles.
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (MoAFW), on December 31, 2025, issued a notification amending an earlier notification relating to notified seed varieties under the Seeds Act, 1966..

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5 ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

There were 15 legal updates in this category

- The Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) on December 22, 2025, issued Safety Guide on Radiation Protection Aspects in Design of Nuclear Power Plants.
- The Commission for Air Quality Management in the National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas (CAQM) on December 23, 2025, notified regarding the amendment to its older direction stating the Fast-tracking of cleaner mobility in services provided by Motor Vehicle Aggregators, Delivery Service Providers, E-Commerce Entities, etc.
- The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) on December 22, 2025, issued a notice of 38th AQC Exercise for Deposit of AQC Fee.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) on December 24, 2025, notified regarding the revocation of GRAP IV as AQI improves to 271.

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6 LABOUR

There were 37 legal updates in this category

- The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), through an Office Memorandum issued on January 1, 2026, has clarified the distribution of responsibilities relating to cleanliness, maintenance, and security functions in ESIC hospitals, medical institutions, and field units. The clarification follows increasing concerns over the effectiveness of these functions and a detailed examination of the existing role of Caretakers in ESIC institutions.
- The authority Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour & Employment (LB), on December 19, 2025, released the All-India Consumer Price Index (CPI) Numbers for Agricultural Labourers (AL) and Rural Labourers (RL) with base year 2019 = 100, compiled from price data collected across 787 sample villages in 34 States/UTs.
- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) on December 31, 2025, issued a notification regarding the introduction of Policy Reforms to Promote Sustainable Growth of NPS.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE), on December 30, 2025, notified the Draft Industrial Relations (Central) Rules, 2025 following the enforcement of all provisions of the Industrial Relations Code, 2020. The draft rules are proposed under section 99 of the Code, in supersession of the Industrial Disputes (Central) Rules, 1957 and the Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Central Rules, 1946, except for actions already taken under the earlier rules.
- The Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE), on December 30, 2025, issued FAQs on Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSH) Code, 2020.

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