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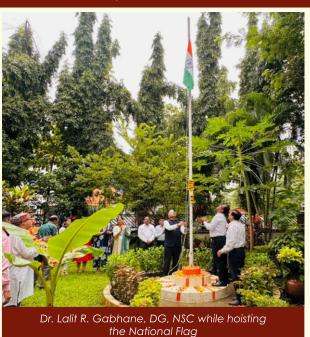
## NSC Celebrates India's 79th Independence Day

(15<sup>th</sup> August 2025, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai)

NSC celebrated the 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of India on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2025 with immense patriotism and enthusiasm at its Headquarters in Navi Mumbai. The celebrations commenced with the ceremonial hoisting of the National Flag by **Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane**, Director General followed by the National Anthem. The atmosphere was filled with patriotic zeal as the tricolour fluttered proudly at morning in the sky. Senior officers and staff members of the Council gathered in unity to participate in the solemn yet celebratory event.

In his Independence Day address, **Dr. Gabhane** extended heartfelt wishes to the entire NSC fraternity. He reflected on the historical significance of the day and underscored the importance of remembering and honouring the sacrifices made by the countless freedom fighters who laid down their lives for India's independence.





**Dr. Gabhane** called upon all employees to reaffirm their commitment to the values of integrity, dedication and excellence in their respective roles. Stressing the vital contribution of NSC in promoting occupational safety and health across the nation, he urged everyone to strive towards the continued progress of the Council and to support the vision of a safer and developed India.

The event concluded with a renewed sense of purpose and unity, reinforcing NSC's enduring commitment to national development and safety excellence.

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# DG, NSC as Chief Guest at 63rd Convocation ceremony at IIT Bombay

(23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025, Mumbai)

On the invitation of the Environmental Science and Engineering Department (ESED) of IIT Bombay, Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane, DG, NSC graced the 63<sup>rd</sup> Convocation and Degree Award Function of the department as the Chief Guest. The event was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025 at the IIT Bombay campus.

Dr. Gabhane addressed the gathering and hand over certificates to the graduated students of ESED.



Dr. Gabhane, DG, NSC addressing the gathering



Certificate being awarded to one of the students by Dr. Gabhane (extreme right). Prof. Munish Chandel, Head, ESED, IIT Bombay looks on

# Training on Team Bonding to NSC Employees (12th July 2025 at Panvel, Maharashtra)

Combining an office picnic with teambonding training is an excellent way to balance enjoyment with professional growth. On 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025, NSC held an outdoor training session at a resort near Navi Mumbai. The event allowed employees to relax while taking part in activities designed to strengthen teamwork, communication, and collaboration. The informal setting of the picnic also encouraged social



A view of group exercise performed by NSC Employees



A Group photo with trainers

interaction, reinforcing the lessons learnt during the training in a fun and relaxed environment.

The program included a variety of interactive exercises such as:

- Group challenges
- Problem solving tasks
- Trust building activities

These activities are designed to improve communication, enhance relationships, and boost morale. As a result, they help

create a more cohesive team, leading to greater productivity and a more positive work atmosphere.















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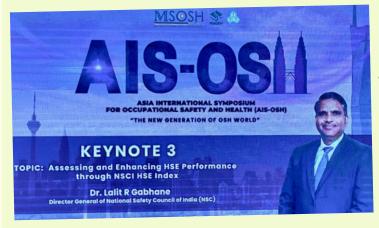
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### **Asia International Symposium of OSH 2025**

(20-21<sup>st</sup> August 2025 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

On the invitation of the Malaysian Society for Occupational Safety and Health (MSOSH), Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane, Director General of the National Safety Council (NSC), India, delivered a compelling keynote address at the Asia International Symposium for Occupational Safety and Health (AIS-OSH) 2025. The event was held from 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Dr. Gabhane's keynote, titled "Assessing and Enhancing HSE Performance through NSCI HSE Index," highlighted the importance of structured evaluation frameworks in driving continuous improvement in Health, Safety, and Environment (HSE) standards across industries. His insights drew attention to the NSCI HSE Index as a transformative tool for benchmarking and elevating safety performance.





Dr. Gabhane, DG, NSC delivers key note address at the symposium

The symposium, themed "The New Generation of OSH World," brought together leaders, practitioners, and policymakers to exchange knowledge, address emerging challenges, and explore innovative solutions for workplace safety. With over 300 participants across Malaysia and beyond, AIS-OSH 2025 served as a vibrant platform for collaboration and advancement in occupational safety and health.

MSOSH expressed sincere appreciation for Dr. Gabhane's insightful keynote, acknowledging its significant contribution to advancing occupational safety standards

# Annual Award Function and 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Joint Committee on SHE in Steel Industry (JCSSI)

(25 – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025, Ranchi Chhattisgarh)

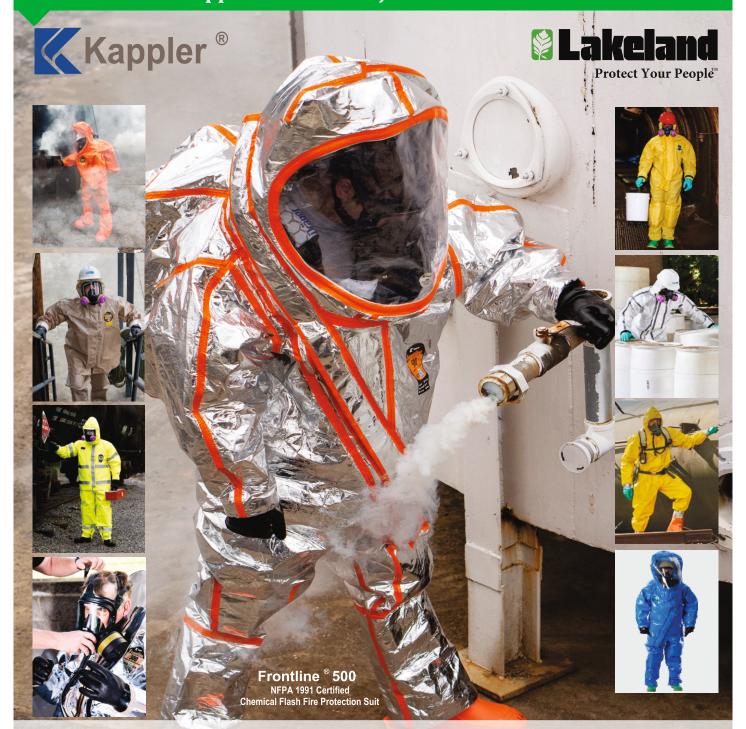
The Annual Award Function and the  $75^{\text{th}}$  Meeting of the Joint Committee of Safety, Health & Environment in the Steel Industries (JCSSI) were organized by SAIL's Safety Organization (SSO) at Management Institute, Ranchi on  $25^{\text{th}}$  – $26^{\text{th}}$  July 2025.

During the JCSSI meeting, various steel manufacturing organizations made presentations highlighting their initiatives in Safety, Health & Environment (SHE), showcasing best practices and innovative measures undertaken for continual improvement in workplace safety.



Inaugurated by Anup Kumar (5<sup>th</sup> from Right), Executive Director, SSO. Among the dignitaries present were R. R. Deoghare (centre), Director, NSC; Shashi Vashishta (5<sup>th</sup> from left), CGM (Safety), SSO, Gautam Bhatia (4<sup>th</sup> from right), CGM (EMD) along with senior representatives from unions and associations.

### **Kappler & Lakeland join forces in India!**



#### Kappler and Lakeland join forces in India to expand high-level hazmat protection

Kappler and Lakeland, two leading protective clothing companies that compete in the U.S., have joined forces to expand chemical worker protection in India. The strategy will combine Kappler's advanced suit technology with Lakeland's position as an established PPE supplier in India. The companies specialize in different sectors of the protective apparel business. Lakeland focuses on coveralls and other apparel for non-life-threatening hazards, while Kappler is the long-time leader in total-encapsulating hazmat suits for fire brigades and other emergency response units.

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### TRAINING PROGRAMMES

### Occupational Health & Hygiene at Workplace

(3 - 4 July 2025, NSC HQs., Navi Mumbai)

Vikas More, Sr. Asst Director, NSC (yellow shirt) coordinated programme to his left Pratik Jadhav, Member, NSC Experts Panel with participants



### **NSCI Certified Scaffold Supervisor**

(24 - 25 July, 2025, NSC Hqs. Navi Mumbai)



Vikas More, Sr. Asst Director, NSC (yellow shirt in Tie) coordinated programme to his right Prashant Manurker (white shirt in Tie), Member, NSC Experts Panel with participants

### Workshop on Effective Accident Reporting, Investigation and Analysis

(4-5 August 2025, Mumbai)

Sandeep Dhamone (6<sup>th</sup> from left), Deputy Director, NSC delivered session to his left Pramod Sane, Technical Officer, NSC coordinated programme with participants



# 3-Day NSCI Certified Internal Auditor Course for SHE Statutory Compliance (19-21 August 2025, MDP Centre, New Delhi)

NBCC (India) Ltd., a Navratna CPSE under Govt. of India, with its HQ at New Delhi, is engaged in PMC, EPC, and Real Estate Development. To build the capability of its officers as Internal Safety Auditors for effective site safety audits, NBCC requested National Safety Council of India (NSCI) to organize a 3-day "NSCI Certified Internal Auditor Course for SHE Statutory Compliance" at its MDP Centre, New Delhi. Accordingly, NSCI organised a 3-day course on 19-21<sup>st</sup> August 2025. The course helps participants' knowledge enhancement and auditing skills in SHE statutory compliance.



1<sup>st</sup> Row from right: V. V. More, Sr. Asst. Director, NSC; Md. Ilyas, GM (Engg.) and R.R. Deoghare, Director, NSC with participants



## NSC's Special Training Course on Competence Building in Safety, Health & Environment Management for Oil & Gas Industry

(Nine Weeks starting from 11th August 2025 to 15th October 2025)

NSCI is reinforcing its commitment to Safety, Health, and Environment Management (SHEM) by organizing a unique nine-week training course on "Competence Building in SHEM" from 11<sup>th</sup> August to 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at Navi Mumbai. The programme aims to enhance the understanding of HSE risks and mitigation strategies among Oil & Gas industry executives and young engineers.



Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane, Director General, NSC addressing the candidates at the opening of Course. Seen from R: Sheshadhri, Oil & Gas Industry Expert;
R. V. Deshmukh, Technical Advisor; R. R. Deoghare, Director and Vikas More, Sr. Asst Director, NSC.

The pedagogy of this 9-week training course includes four one-day classroom sessions, 40 online sessions, project work and its evaluation. Upon completion of the course, a physical examination will be conducted and certificates will be awarded to the successful candidates. A total of 23 candidates are participating in the course.



A view of group photo with participants

# 2-day Training Programme on Chemicals and Petrochemicals Industrial Safety

(31<sup>st</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025, Taloja, Navi Mumbai)

Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, Govt. of India has taken the initiative to impart training on "Safe handling of hazardous chemicals at workplaces and reducing risk associated with hazardous chemicals" to workforce of Major Accident Hazard (MAH) Units across the Country. In this regard, Department has engaged Central Institute of Petrochemical Engineering & Technology (CIPET) to execute these training programmes. CIPET is an autonomous body under Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals is actively involved in offering academic programmes and providing technical support services to the industries. CIPET has organized a 2-day training programme at Taloja MIDC on 31st July – 1st August



A.K. Rao (extreme left), Director & Head, CIPET presented a memento and certificate to K. D. Patil, Dy. Director, NSC. Kirankumar Koli (extreme right), Technical Officer, CIPET looks on

2025, which was attended by around 120 persons from different MAH organizations in Maharashtra. Shri Kishor D. Patil, Deputy Director, NSC had delivered lecture on "Regulatory Compliance & Standards for Chemicals & Petrochemicals" in the training programme.

### Techniques of Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment in Industries

(21-22 August 2025, Mumbai)



Pramod Sane, Technical Officer, NSC (with Tie) coordinated programme to his right R. Khemani, Member, NSC Experts Panel delivered session with participants

## DG, NSC participates at NSC TN Chapter – Award Presentation Ceremony

(5<sup>th</sup> August 2025 in Chennai, Tamil Nadu)

On the invitation of NSC Tamil Nadu Chapter, Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane, DG, NSC attended the Chapter's Award presentation Ceremony organised in collaboration with Directorate of Industrial Safety & Health, Tamil Nadu on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at the Hotel Hyatt Regency, Chennai.

Thiru C. V. Ganesan, Hon'ble Minister for Labour Welfare & Skill Development, Govt. of T.N was



A view of the audiance



On the Dias: Thiru C V Ganesan (centre), Hon'ble Minister for Labour Welfare & Skill Development, Govt. of T.N.; Dr. Lalit Gabhane (2nd from R), DG, NSC and Thiru S. Ananth (2<sup>nd</sup> from L), Director, DISH, Govt. of T.N. & Chairman, NSC TN chapter; T. Baskaran (extreme left), Vice-Chairman and Dr. Rajmohan Palanivelu (extreme right), Secretary, TN Chapter

the Chief Guest for the function and the awards were presented by his hand to the winners.

The function was attended by Industry representatives and invitees.

## NSCI Collaborative workshop with NSC Telangana Chapter

NSCI Collaborative Workshop on Behaviour Based Safety Management and Safety Culture (7-8" July 2025 at FTCCI, Hyderabad)



Dr. Lalit R. Gabhane (centre),
Director General, NSCI and to
his right B. Raja Gopala Rao,
Director of Factories, Govt. of
Telangana and left Vijay Kumar,
NSC Board Member. V V Sasi
Kumar (extreme right),
Secretary, NSC-Telangana
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# UPCOMING NSCI TRAINING PROGRAMMES SCHEDULED FROM SEPTEMBER TO OCTOBER 2025

Sr. No.	Programme Title	Date	Duration	Venue	Fees Per participants (Rs.) plus 18% GST
1	Code of Practice: Permit to Work IS 17893:2023	25 <sup>th</sup> Sept.2025	4 hrs.	Virtual	• 4,000/-
2	The Occupational Safety, Health, and Working Condition Code 2020 – An Overview	1 <sup>st</sup> Oct., 2025	4-hrs	Virtual	• 4,000/-
3	NSCI Certified Internal Auditor Course for SHE Statutory Compliance	06-08 Oct. 2025	3 days	Visakhapat- nam	• NSC Member: 24,200/- • Non- member: 26,400/-
4	The Role of Trade Unions and Associations in Cultivating HSE Practices	13-15 Oct. 2025	3 days	Goa	• NSC Member: 17,600/- • Non- member: 19,800/-
5	NSCI Lifting & Rigging Supervisor	30-31 <sup>st</sup> Oct. 2025	2 days	Mumbai	• NSC Member: 14,300/- • Non- member: 16,500/-

For online registration visit https://nsc.org.in. Also new programmes will be posted at NSC's website from time to time

# Dr. Krishna Nirmalya Sen presents a paper in the Toxic Metals Symposium at Munich, Germany

(4-5 July 2025)

The Toxic Metals Symposium was held on 4-5<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich, Germany in collaboration with Collegium Ramazzini and funded by the German Research Foundation. Around 300 global participants from academia, industry, and healthcare attended in hybrid mode. The symposium focused on policy efforts and scientific discussions to mitigate the health impacts of toxic metal exposure.



Dr. Krishna Nirmalya Sen is presenting a paper in the Symposium

Dr. Krishna Nirmalya Sen, Head EHS, Minerals & Metals IC, L&T Construction and Member, Board of Governors of NSC made presentation on a paper titled "Strategies for protecting people from OSH hazards during brown field expansion of industrial plants in mineral & metals sectors" during the first day of the symposium. This paper is authored by Dr. Sen and Mr. G Muralidhar of L&T Minerals & Metals IC.

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### **CONSULTANCY SERVICES**

NSC is engaged in a variety of consultancy services, including Conducting Safety Audits, Fire & Electrical Safety Audits, Construction Safety Audits, NSCI Safety Ratings, developing Onsite Emergency Plans, organizing Emergency Mock Drills, etc.

### Safety Audit at Proec Energy Pvt Ltd

(16-17 July 2025, Abu Road, Rajasthan)



Audit Team: Sanket Shitole (7<sup>th</sup> from left), Technical Officer, NSC to his left Prem Kumar Sharma, Member, NSC Experts Panel Sharma (6<sup>th</sup> from left), Plant In-charge along with Proec Energy team members.

### Safety Rating of Birla Niyaara, Birla Estates Pvt. Ltd.

(6 – 7<sup>™</sup> August 2025, Mumbai)



Conducted 2<sup>nd</sup> Field visit for NSCI 5 Golden Star Rating. Team: Akshay V. Hotkar (10<sup>th</sup> from right), Deputy Director, NSC and Sanjay K. Patil (9<sup>th</sup> from right), Sr. AD, NSC along with officials of Birla Estates Pvt. Ltd.

### Safety Rating of GMR Kamalanga Energy Pvt. Ltd

(20 – 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025, Kamalanga, Odisha)



Conducted 1<sup>st</sup> Field visit for NSCI 5 Golden Star Rating. Team: Akshay V. Hotkar (1<sup>st</sup> Row; 5<sup>th</sup> from right), Deputy Director, NSC and Wilfred Mathias (4<sup>th</sup> from right), Member, NSC Experts Panel along with officials of GMR Kamalanga Energy Pvt. Ltd.

# **CONSULTANCY SERVICES (contd..)**

### Safety Audit at WBPDCL's Sagardighi (1600MW) Thermal Power Plant

(5th - 9th Aug 2025, Murshidabad, West Bengal)



Audit Team: Amol Nikam (10<sup>th</sup> from left), Assistant Director, NSC; Pabitra Konar (6<sup>th</sup> from left); Ashok Panchbhai (5<sup>th</sup> from left); Sunil Bajpai (4<sup>th</sup> from left), Members, NSC Experts Panel. Alok Kumar Maiti (8<sup>th</sup> from left), GM-PS, Plant Head; Animesh Maiti (11<sup>th</sup> from left), AGM E&S; Subrato Nath (2<sup>th</sup> from right), Sr. Safety Officer along with other officials of Sagardighi TPP, WB

# Safety Rating of My Home Group Grava Construction Project (Tower 10 and 20 of Commercial Project)

(22 – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025, Hyderabad



Conducted 2<sup>nd</sup> Field visit for NSCI 5 Golden Star Rating. Team: Akshay V. Hotkar (2<sup>nd</sup> from right), Deputy Director, NSC and A.T. Rodrigues (3<sup>nd</sup> from right), Member, NSC Experts Panel along with officials of Grava Project

#### Safety Audit at HPCL, HP Green R&D Centre,

(19-21<sup>st</sup> August 2025, Bengaluru)



Audit Team: Kishor D. Patil (Centre), Deputy Director, NSC to his left K. N. Govindankutty & G. Kulkarni, Members, NSC Experts Panel along with V. K. Maheshwari (8<sup>th</sup> from left in jacket), Executive Director – R&D, Ms. Nazish Ahmad (in green helmet), Assistant Manager – Process Safety & Design along with other team members of HPCL, HP Green R&D Centre, Bengaluru

### **LEGAL UPDATES:**



### EHS Legal Updates (July - August 2025)

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Govt. of India has amended and notified the following Rules during the last two months period as follows:

# 1) The Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Amendment Rules, 2025

Notified on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025 to further amend the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 with insertion of new chapter i.e. Chapter-VIII as "Extended Producer Responsibility for Scrap of Non-Ferrous Metals" has been inserted. The new chapter have 21 Rules i.e. 41 to 64 with 4 schedules i.e. X to XIII.

This amendment will be effective from 1 April 2026 vide Notification No G.S.R.438(E) dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025.

### 2) The Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986

These Rules are amended four times during the month of July 2025 and two times from January 2025 to June 2025. The amendment highlights during July 2025 are provided below:

### i) The Environment (Protection) Third Amendment Rules, 2025

On 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025, notified the Environment (Protection) Third Amendment Rules 2025, to further amend the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 as follows:

In Schedule - I, against serial number 5A, in column 4, after item II, the following provision has been inserted, namely: -

"Provided that the Ministry may, in consultation with the Central Electricity Authority and the Central Pollution Control Board, for reasons to be recorded in writing by an order grant exemption to thermal power plants from installation of Cooling Towers".

This has been come into force from 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 vide Notification No G.S.R. 446(E) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025.

### ii) The Environment (Protection) Fourth Amendment Rules, 2025

On 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025, notified Environment (Protection) Fourth Amendment Rules 2025, further, to amend the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986. The following has been stated:-

- ♦ In Schedule-I, in serial number 25 the clause has been substituted namely CPCB will form a task force to categorize thermal power plants (TPPs) into three categories (A, B, C) based on their location for emission compliance.
- ◆ In table II, Different timelines are prescribed category wise TPPs compliance with emission standards (except SO□) for non-retiring and retiring unites from 31<sup>st</sup> Dec., 22 to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 24 and 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 22 to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 25 respectively.
- ◆ SO☐ emission standards have separate timelines: mandatory for Category A by 2027, optional for Category B (case-by-case), and not applicable to Category C (only stack height compliance by 2029).
- ♦ TPPs claiming exemption must submit undertakings and may face environmental compensation if continued operation violates compliance dates.
- ◆ Environment compensation levied shall be applicable on the non-retiring and non-compliance TTPs for non-0compilant operation beyond time in the range from ₹0.20 to ₹0.40 per unit of electricity generated.

This amendment has been come into force from July 11, 2025 vide notification No G.S.R. 465(E).

### **LEGAL UPDATES (contd.)**

### iii) The Environment (Protection) Fifth Amendment Rules, 2025

On July 21, 2025, issued the Environment (Protection) Fifth Amendment Rules, 2025, to further amend the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 with the following amendments:-

◆ At serial number 36 in the Schedule 1, specifying emission standards for aluminium plants have been substituted by new ones separately for Alumina refinery; Aluminium Smelter and Forage Fluoride.

The amendments shall come into force on expiry of two years from 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 (Notification No G.S.R. 482(E) dated 22 July 2025).

### iv) The Environment (Protection) Sixth Amendment Rules, 2025

On 22<sup>nd</sup> July 22 2025, notified the Environment (Protection) Sixth Amendment Rules, 2025. The new rules, primarily focus on substituting the existing Serial Number 40 in Schedule-I, which is related to pesticides effluent standards of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986.

This has been come into force from 22nd July 22 2025 vide Notification No G.S.R. 487(E).

### 3) The Environment Protection (Management of Contaminated Sites) Rules, 2025

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 issued a set of new rules titled as "The Environment Protection (Management of Contaminated Sites) Rules, 2025" under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. The key highlights are as follows:-

- The Rules are not applicable to a contaminated site affected by:
  - ♦ Radioactive waste as defined under clause (xxii) of rule 2 of the Atomic Energy (Safe Disposal of Radioactive Wastes) Rules, 1987
  - ◆ Mining operations as defined under clause (d) of section 3 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (67 of 1957)
  - ◆ Pollution of the sea by oil or oily substance as governed by the Merchant Shipping Act of 1958 and the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil) Rules, 1974
  - ◆ Solid waste from dump site as defined under clause 20 of sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.
- Undre Rule 3, various definitions are provided viz. contaminant, contaminated site, environmental relief fund, land use, local body, etc.
- The local body or District Administration on receipt of a complaint from public shall identify contaminated site (Rule 4)
- The State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) is responsible for remediation of the contaminated site (Rule 5).
- Verification of remediation (Rule 6) SPCB will submit the remediation report to Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) then they may appoint reference organisation to verify the completion of remediation activities. Other procedures by committee, SPCB completion order, etc are provided in the Rule.
- CPCB to publish the list of empanelled reference organisation in its website as per procedure laid down in the Rule 7.
- Rule 8 provides the financial mechanism for assessment and remediation of contaminated sites/.
- Rules 9 to 13, the Centralised online portal, Remediation committee, function of CPCB; Voluntary remediation and environmental compensation covered.

The Rules have been come into force from 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 vide Notification No. S.O. 3401 (E)

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### **LEGAL UPDATES (contd.)**

### 4) The Environment Audit Rules, 2025

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) on August 29, 2025 issued a new set of Rules as the Environment Audit Rules, 2025 under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, which create a formal framework for environmental auditing across the country. These rules establish a two-tiered system of auditors and set up a dedicated agency to transparently oversee the process. These rules are designed to supplement the existing monitoring and inspection framework of the government, not to replace it. The key highlights as follows: -

- In rule 2, the definitions have been mentioned namely, Act, Administrator, Certified Environment Auditor, designated agency, environment audit, Environment Audit Designated Agency, green approvals, guidelines, National Certification Examination and Registered Environment Auditor.
- In rule 3, Roles and responsibilities of Registered Environment Auditors have been provided.
- In rule 4, Site visit and sampling The Registered Environment have the authority to enter the premises, collect samples, obtain audit evidence, and access such other information or documents for the purpose of proper discharge of their assigned responsibilities.
- In rule 5, Roles and responsibilities of the Environment Audit Designated Agency have been mentioned.
- In rule 6, Notification of Environment Audit Designated Agency, which be notified by the central government with terms and conditions.
- Rules 7 to 13 are on Mechanism for Certification, Mechanism for registration of Certified Environment Auditors, Period of validity of registration of Certified Environment Auditor, Operational Autonomy of Environment Audit Designated Agency and Registered Environment Auditor, Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, Assignment of Registered Environment Auditor to Projects for Environment Audit
- Rules 14 to 19 are on Fee, Steering Committee, Power to give direction, Power to remove difficulty, power to issue guidelines and saving.
  - The Rules are in force from August 29,2025 vide Notification No S.O.

### The Gas Cylinders (Third Amendment) Rules, 2025

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I), on July 28, 2025, issued the Gas Cylinders (Third Amendment) Rules, 2025, to further amend the Gas Cylinder Rules, 2016. The following provisions have been stated under the amendment -

- In rule 4, sub-rule (1), clause (viii), after the word "container", the words, letters, and figures "conforming to IS 18608 or ISO 21011" inserted.
- In rule 4, sub-rule (1), clause (ix), after the words "conforming to", the letters, figures, and word "CGA V-1 or" has inserted.
- In rule 19, after sub-rule (4), a new sub-rule has been inserted, namely: "(5) the materials used for manufacturing gas cylinders, valves and LPG regulators must conforming to IS/ISO 11114-1 and IS/ISO 11114-2 standards and cylinders, valves and regulators used for all other gases must have suitable metallic and non-metallic materials, with approval of Chief Controller.".
- In rule 21, after sub-rule (7), a new sub-rule has been inserted, namely:- "(8) the roof of the hydrogen storage system must conform to CGAPS-46 standard.".
- In rule 35, after sub-rule (4), a new sub-rule has been inserted, namely:- "(5) the cylinder used for hydrogen services must be tested accordance to ISO 17081, ISO 10587, ISO 16573, ISO 15330.
- In schedule V, in form H, in conditions, after serial number 11 new serial "11 a" related to fuel system for hydrogen vehicle must be conform to ISO 21266-1 or ISO 21266-2, has been inserted.

The amendment has been come into force 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025 vide Notification No G.S.R. 501 (E)

# The Central Government issued Disaster Management National Crisis Management Committee (Procedure) Rules, 2025

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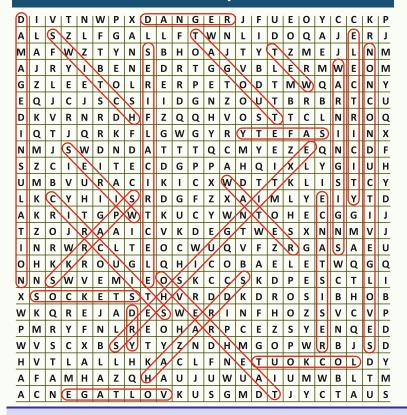
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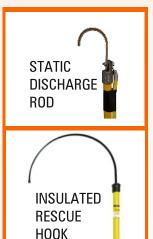


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