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NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, as part of the Government's steadfast commitment to fostering a more conducive environment for investment and economic activity, and in alignment with the "Ease of Doing Business" initiative through compliance reduction and de-regulation, and the primary mandate of the UT Level Steering Committee to undertake a comprehensive review of various Acts and Regulations within the Union Territory's regulatory framework.

AND WHEREAS, following thorough deliberations and detailed analysis of each Act, and with the invaluable assistance of a legal team, a set of suggestive amendments to their respective provisions was prepared. The overarching objectives guiding these proposed amendments were:

- a) Decriminalization of Minor Offences
- b) Introduction of Civil Penalties
- c) Removal of Obsolete and Redundant Provisions

AND WHEREAS, after careful consideration, deliberation, and unanimous agreement among the Chairperson and all members of the UT Level Steering Committee, a final list of 19 provisions has been identified and proposed for amendment, specifically focusing on decriminalization, introduction of civil penalties, and removal of obsolete provisions. These Acts are deemed critical for immediate action to further enhance the ease of doing business and reduce the regulatory burden within the Union Territory.

NOW THEREFORE, a copy of draft regulation "The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Regulation, 2025 is published herewith for inviting comments from all stakeholders/. If there is any comment / view / suggestion, the same may be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary (Law), Department of Law and Justice, Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu, Secretariat, Vidyut Bhawan, Kachigam, Nani Daman within 30 days of issue of this notification.

Sd/-(Jayant M. Panchal) Law Secretary

DRAFT REGULATION

THE DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU JAN VISHWAS (AMENDMENT OF PROVISIONS) REGULATION, 2025 No. of 2025 To be Promulgated by the President in the Seventy-Sixth Year of the Republic of India A Regulation to amend certain enactments for decriminalising and rationalising offences to further enhance trust-based governance for ease of living and doing business. 1. (1) This Regulation may be called the Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman Short title, extent. and Diu Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Regulation, 2025. commence and application (2) It shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette of the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (3) It shall apply only to the Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu 2. The enactments mentioned in column (4) of the Schedule are hereby amended Amendment of certain to the extent and in the manner mentioned in column (5) thereof. enactments 3. The amendment or repeal by this Regulation of any enactment shall not Savings affect any other enactment in which the amended or repealed enactment has been applied, incorporated or referred to; and this Regulation shall not affect the validity, invalidity, effect or consequences of anything already done or suffered, or any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired, accrued or incurred or any remedy or proceeding in respect thereof, or any release or discharge of, or from any debt, penalty, obligation, liability, claim or demand, or any indemnity already granted, or the proof of any past act or thing; nor shall this Regulation affect any principle or rule of law, or established jurisdiction, form or course of pleading, practice or procedure, or existing

now existing or in force.

usage, custom, privilege, restriction, exemption, office or appointment, notwithstanding that the same respectively may have been in any manner affirmed, or recognised or derived by, in or from any enactment hereby amended or repealed; nor shall the amendment or repeal by this Regulation of any enactment revive or restore any jurisdiction, office, custom, liability, right, title, privilege, restriction, exemption, usage, practice, procedure or other matter or thing not

THE SCHEDULE (See section 2)

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Sl. No.	Year	No.	Short Title	Amendments
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	1986	7	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	(A) In Section 10, for the word "fine" the word "penalty" shall be substituted.
			Electricity Duty Act, 1986	(B) In Sec 11, for the words "an offence" the words "any violation" shall be substituted.
2.	1984	7	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Motor Vehicles (Taxation on Passengers and Goods) Act, 1974	(A) In section 16, in sub section (1), for the words and figures "shall, on conviction, be punished with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees" the words and figures "shall be imposed with a penalty which may extend to 1,00,000/- rupees" shall be substituted.
3.	1982	10	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu Registration of Tourist Trade Act, 1982	(A) In Section 19, for the word "fine" the word "penalty" shall be substituted.
				(B) In Section 22, in sub section (1), for the words and figures "punishable by the prescribed authority with fine which may extend to 1,00,000/-" the words and figures "penalised by the prescribed authority with penalty which may extend to 5,00,000/-rupees" shall be substituted.
				(C) In Section 22, in sub section (2), for the words "where the person on whom the penalty of fine is imposed under sub-section (1) does not within thirty days from the date of the order imposing such penalty, pay the fine imposed, then such person shall be liable to pay, by the way of penal interest" the words "Where the person
				on whom the penalty is imposed under sub-section (1) does not within thirty days from the date of the order imposing such penalty, pay the penalty imposed, then such person shall be liable to pay, by the way of

penal interest" shall be substituted.

- (D) In Section 22, in sub section (2), in clause (a), for the words and figures "Rs.100/- for each day for the first 30 days from the date of the expiry of the period of 30 days as aforesaid" the words and figures "1,000/- rupees for each day for the first 30 days from the date of the expiry of the period of 30 days as aforesaid" shall be substituted.
- (E) In Section 22, in sub section (2), in cluse (b) for the words and figures "Rs. 200/- for each day thereafter for a period of 15 days" the words and figures "2,000/- rupees for each day thereafter for a period of 15 days" shall be substituted.
- (F) In Section 22, in sub section (3), for the word "fine" the word "penalty" be substituted.
- (G) In Section 22, in sub section (4), for the word "fine" the word "penalty" be substituted.
- (H) In Section 22, in sub section (5) for the words and figures "Any person erecting beach shack and/or carrying on activities therein without proper registration as required under section 13 A (5), shall be punishable with fine of Rs. 1,000/- which may extend to Rs. 5,000/-." the words and figures "Any person erecting beach shack and/or carrying on activities therein without proper registration as required under section 13 A (5), shall be penalised with penalty of 10,000/- rupees which may extend to 50,000/- rupees" shall be substituted.
- (I) In Section 23, for the word "fine" the word "penalty" shall be substituted.
- (J) In Section 24, for the word "fine" the word "penalty" be substituted.
- (K) In Section 25, in sub section (2), for the words and figures "Any person who refuses on demand to show his

certificate or document, or allow it to be read by any of the persons authorised to demand it, shall be punishable by the prescribed authority with fine not exceeding Rs. 5000/-." the words and figures "Any person who refuses on demand to show his certificate or document, or allow it to be read by any of the persons authorised to demand it, shall be penalised by the prescribed authority with penalty not exceeding 50,000/-rupees" shall be substituted.

- (L) In Section 25A, for the word "fine" the word "penalty" be substituted. Also for the figure "Rs. 25,000/-" the figure "Rs. 1,00,000/-" shall be substituted.
- (M)In Section 26, for the words and figures "If any dealer, hotel-keeper, travel agent or any other person to whom this Act may be made applicable, commits a malpractice or contravenes any other provisions of this Act or the Rules made thereunder in a tourist area for which no specific penalty has been provided, he shall be liable for punishment with 3 months imprisonment or with minimum fine of Rs. 2000/- which may extend to Rs. 5,000/-. The offence under this section shall be cognizable, bailable and triable in summary manner" the words and figures "If any dealer, hotelkeeper, travel agent or any other person to whom this Act may be made applicable, commits a malpractice or contravenes any other provisions of this Act or the Rules made thereunder in a tourist area for which no specific penalty has been provided, he shall be penalised with a minimum penalty of 20,000/- rupees which may extend to 50,000/- rupees" shall be substituted.
- (N) In Section 28, in sub section (1), for the words and figures "Any person committing a breach of any of the provisions of the Act or the Rules

made thereunder for which he has been once punished with fine by the prescribed authority under any of the provisions of this Chapter, shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months or with minimum fine of Rs. 1,000/- which may extend to Rs.20.000/- or with both. The offence under this section shall be cognizable, bailable and triable in summary manner" the words and figures "Any person committing a breach of any of the provisions of the Act or the Rules made thereunder for which he has been once punished with penalty by the prescribed authority under any of the provisions of this Chapter, shall be penalised with a minimum penalty of 10,000/- rupees which may extend to 2,00,000/rupees" shall be substituted.

4. 1987 4 The Dadra and
Nagar Haveli and
Daman and Diu
Labour Welfare
Fund Act. 1986

(A) In Section 26, for the words and figures "Any person who wilfully fails to produce any document required by the Board or to furnish any information called for by the Board or wilfully fails to comply with any directions issued by the Board under section 25, shall, on conviction be punished— (a) for the first offence, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months, or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees, or with both; and (b) for a second or subsequent offence, with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to ten thousand rupees, or with both: Provided that in the absence of special and adequate reasons to the contrary to be mentioned in the judgement of the court, in any case where the offender is sentenced to fine only, the amount of fine shall not be less than thousand rupees." the words and figures "Any person who fails to produce any document required by the Board or to furnish any information called for by the Board or fails to comply with any directions issued by the Board under

Section 25, shall be imposed – (a) for the first contravention, with a penalty not exceeding 50,000/- rupees: and (b) for the second or subsequent contravention, with a penalty of 50,000/- rupees which may be extended to 2,00,000/- rupees." Shall be substituted

5. 1996 27 The Building and Other
Construction
Workers
(Regulation of Employment and Conditions of

Service) Act, 1996

(A) In Section 48, for the words and figures "Penalty for failure to give notice of the commencement of the building or other construction work:-Where employer fails to give notice of the commencement of the building or other construction work under section 46, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months, or with fine which may extend to two thousand rupees, or with both." the words and figures "Penalty for failure to give notice commencement of the building or other construction work:-"Where employer fails to give notice of the commencement of the building or other construction work under section 46, he shall be imposed with Penalty of 50,000/- rupees which may be extended up to 5,00,000/- rupees" shall be substituted.
