

This section gives details of key circulars/notifications which have been issued by various regulators and ministries as mentioned below

Notification/Circular Date	Notification/Circular No.	Title (Link) of Notification/ Circular and Description
22.08.2020	Release ID: 1647854	<p>Power Ministry advises Gencos and Transcos to charge Late Payment Surcharge at a rate not exceeding 12% per annum: the measure aims to ease out financial burden on Discoms in context of COVID-19 spread</p> <p><i>Issued by: Ministry of Power</i></p> <p><i>In order to alleviate the financial stress in the power system due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all Generating Companies and Transmission Companies have been advised by the Ministry of Power to charge late payment surcharge at a rate not exceeding 12% per annum (simple interest) for all payments made under the Liquidity Infusion Scheme of PFC and REC under Atmanirbhar Bharat.</i></p>
21.08.2020	-	<p>Guiding principles and SOP on preventive measures for Media Production to contain the spread of Covid-19</p> <p><i>Issued by: Ministry of Information and Broadcasting</i></p> <p><i>The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has prepared the Guiding Principles and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on preventive measures for Media Production for resuming/conducting their operations. The highlights of the guiding principles include the general principles which have been given by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare including inter alia non-essential activities not allowed in the containment zone in COVID-19, employees with high risk to take extra precautions, as also use of face covers/masks, frequent hand washing, provision of hand sanitizers etc. and respiratory etiquettes specifically with regard to the Media Production.</i></p>
19.08.2020	Release ID: 1646947	<p>Cabinet approves measures to provide liquidity in the Power Sector Dues to the financial stress caused by COVID-19</p> <p><i>Issued by: Ministry of Power</i></p> <p><i>The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, has approved a one-time relaxation to Power Finance Corporation (PFC) and Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) for extending loans to Distribution Companies (DISCOMs) above limits of working capital cap of 25% of last year's revenues under Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana (UDAY).</i></p>
13.08.2020	No.283/18/2020-GRID SOLAR	<p>Timeline extension for Scheduled Commissioning Date of Renewable Energy projects considering disruption due to lockdown due to COVID-19</p> <p><i>Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy</i></p> <p><i>All Renewable Energy ("RE") implementing agencies of the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy ("MNRE") will treat the lockdown due to COVID-19, as Force Majeure and thus, All RE projects under implementation as on the date of lockdown, i.e. 25th March 2020, through RE Implementing Agencies</i></p>

designated by the MNRE or under various schemes of the MNRE, shall be given a time extension of 5 (five) months from March 25, 2020 to August 24, 2020.

Dispensing with physical signature on proposal forms

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

05.08.2020 IRDAI
/Life/Cir/Misc/208/08/2020

IRDAI received feedback from various life insurers that the situation arising in the wake of COVID-19 outbreak has impacted the filling-in of the physical proposal forms, obtaining wet signatures on them and subsequent movement of such physical papers, etc. Thus, life insurers are now allowed to obtain the customer's consent without requiring wet signature on the hard copy of the proposal form, for the business solicited by insurance agents/intermediaries subject to conditions elaborated in the circular.

Issuance of Electronic Policies

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

04.08.2020 IRDAI
/Life/Cir/Misc/207/08/2020

Due to the current Covid pandemic, IRDAI received feedback from Life Insurers expressing difficulties in printing and dispatch of policy documents and the desirability of adopting digital means of doing business in the interests of policyholders and other stakeholders. Thus, exemption is allowed by IRDAI subject to certain guidelines as elaborated in the circular.

Relaxation from Submission of Hard Copy of Regulatory Returns

Issued by: Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications

04.08.2020 IRDAI/Life/Cir/MISC/206/08/2020

In the wake of Covid-19 Global Pandemic and Work from Home situation prevailing, Life Insurers have represented difficulty in filing hard copy of **Quarterly Investment Returns**. Thus, the Competent Authority has allowed Life insurers to upload the Regulatory Returns through BAP module without physical filing and submit a soft copy through email.

Extension of timelines to comply with the Standards and Benchmarks for the Hospitals in the Provider Network

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

24.07.2020 Ref. No:
IRDAI/HLT/REG/CIR/199/07/2020

Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic, the timelines for complying with standards and benchmarks specified at Clause (a) (i) and (ii) of Chapter IV of the Guidelines in Standardization of Health Insurance are extended for a further period of one year for all existing network providers.

“Arogya Sanjeevani” Policy

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

24.07.2020 -

IRDAI stipulated to all general and health insurers to offer standard individual health insurance policy called “Arogya Sanjeevani” Policy to the public from 01.04.2020. Now, IRDAI has also allowed the insurers to offer the



same standard policy also as a group policy under the same name "Arogya Sanjeevani" provided that all the terms and conditions of the standard policy are retained except for the premium which is to be fixed by the insurers. It is clarified that "Arogya Sanjeevani" policy, whether in individual or group form, also covers Covid – 19.

Further relaxation in the terms and conditions for other service providers in the wake of COVID-19 concerns to further facilitate Work From Home

Issued by: Department of Telecommunications, Ministry of Communications

21.07.2020 No. 18-5/2020- CS-I (Pt.)

A notification issued by DoT earlier allowed work from home till July 31, 2020. However, the DoT has further extended the relaxations in the terms and conditions for other service providers upto December 31, 2020 to facilitate work from home in view of the ongoing concerns due to COVID-19.

Filing of "Corona Kavach Policy" as group health insurance product (GUIDELINES)

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

21.07.2020 Ref. No:
IRDAI/HLT/REG/CIR/192/0
7/2020

IRDAI has partially modified its guidelines on COVID Standard health policy allowing Insurers to offer Corona Kavach Policy as group product and the insurers shall determine the price keeping in view the cover proposed to be offered.

Covid-specific standard health indemnity policy "Corona Kavach" (PRESS RELEASE)

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

21.07.2020 -

IRDAI has allowed the insurers to offer standard group policies under the same name "Corona Kavach" provided that all the terms and conditions of the standard policy are retained except for the premium which is to be fixed by the insurers. This standard group policy is expected to be useful to various private and public establishments for covering the Covid-19 related medical needs of their employees.

Guidelines on settlement of claims on treatment at 'makeshift or temporary hospitals' as permitted by Government

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

16.07.2020 IRDAI/ HTL/ MISC/ CIR/
190/07/ 2020

In view of the increase in number of Covid-19 cases, in order to ensure that the cost of treatment is covered as per the terms and conditions of policy contract, a makeshift or temporary hospital permitted by the Government shall be regarded as a hospital or network provider and insurers shall settle the claims for the same keeping in mind the norms elaborated in this circular.

Discount in premium in Corona Kavach Policy to Healthcare Workers



Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

14.07.2020

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In furtherance to the Individual Covid Standard Health Policy called "Corona Kavach", as a gesture of acknowledgment of the contribution of healthcare sector in the nation's fight with Covid-19, the insurance companies will provide a 5% discount in premium of "Corona Kavach" to doctors, nurses and other healthcare workers, in terms of the guidelines issued by IRDAI.

Cashless facility for treatment of Covid-19

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

14.07.2020

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This press release clarifies that the policyholders are entitled to cashless facility at all such hospitals with whom the Insurance company has entered into an agreement in accordance to the norms of SLA. In the event of denial of cashless facility at any such enlisted hospitals the aggrieved policyholders may send a complaint to the concerned insurance company.

Group Credit Life Schemes – Modifications to align the coverage with the moratorium announced by Reserve Bank of India

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

10.07.2020

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This Circular permits Life Insurers to make certain modifications to the Group Credit Life Master Policies issued by them so as to align the cover available under such schemes with the revised loan repayment schedule in respect of members who have availed the facility of moratorium announced by RBI in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Corona Kavach Policy

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

10.07.2020

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In view of the Covid-19 pandemic, IRDAI has designed a standard Covid specific product addressing basic health insurance needs of insuring public with common policy wordings across the industry. The Authority has mandated general and health insurers to offer this indemnity based Individual Covid Standard Health Policy called "Corona Kavach".

COVID-19- Rescheduling of Term Loans

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

07.07.2020

REF: IRDA/ F&I /CIR/
INV/ 181 /07/2020

In view of the extension of lockdown and continuing disruption on account of Covid-19, in Respect of term loans, insurers are permitted to grant a moratorium of three months towards payment of instalments falling due between June 1, 2020 and August 31, 2020. The repayment schedule for



such Loans and also the residual tenor, will be shifted across the board by three months subsequent to the moratorium period.

Extension of time limit applicable to Public Disclosures on websites

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

04.06.2020 IRDA/F&A/CIR/MISC/132 /06/2020 *The time limit for ensuring compliance with the directions regarding public disclosures on websites by insurers for the period ending 31st March 2020 has been extended by 30 days, vide this circular.*

Recent initiatives of Coal Ministry to improve efficiency and promote ease of doing business

Issued by: Ministry of Coal

03.06.2020 Release ID: 1629073 *Ministry of Coal has taken initiatives to re-visit old laws with an aim to improve efficiency, ease of doing business and to open up coal sector which would result in improving domestic coal production and reduce imports.*

Atmanirbhar Bharat Economic Package: Part 5 – Government Reforms and Enablers

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

17.05.2020 - *As a part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan, various government reforms and enablers relating to, inter alia, ease of doing business reforms, corporate law measures, health reforms, public sector enterprise policy, are introduced.*

Union Power Ministry writes to States/UTs extending Rs 90,000 crore package under Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan

Issued by: Ministry of Power

16.05.2020 Release ID: 1624496 *The letter sent to States/UTs mentions that REC and PFC shall immediately extend loans to DISCOMs which have headroom for further borrowing within the working capital limits prescribed under UDAY.*

Atmanirbhar Bharat Economic Package: Part 4 – New Horizons of Growth

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

16.05.2020 - *As a part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan, policy reforms and economic package are introduced for sectors like coal, minerals, defence, aviation, power, space and atomic energy.*

Atmanirbhar Bharat Economic Package: Part 3 - Agriculture

Issued by: Ministry of Finance



15.05.2020 - *As a part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan, economic package for the agricultural sector is introduced vide this presentation.*

Atmanirbhar Bharat Economic Package: Part 2 - Poor, including migrants and farmers

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

14.05.2020 - *As a part of Atmanirbhar Abhiyan, economic package to support farmers, poor people, migrants, urban poor, workers, street vendors etc. is introduced vide this presentation.*

Press release-Reduction in rate of TCS and TDS

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

13.05.2020 - *Press release -Reduction in rate of Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) & Tax Collection at Source (TCS)*

Ministry of Finance-Office Memorandum-Force Majeure

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

13.05.2020 - *Office memorandum on Force Majeure issued by the Department on Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.*

Atmanirbhar Bharat Economic Package: Part 1 – Businesses including MSMEs

Issued by: Ministry of Finance

13.05.2020 - *As a part of Atmanirbhar Abhiyan, economic package to support businesses including MSMEs is introduced vide this presentation. It also enlists other measures and reforms in relation to contractors, real estate developers, direct tax payers etc.*

Additional time allowed for filing Quarterly Return – Q4-2019-20 - Regulatory Returns to all insurance intermediaries

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

13.05.2020 IRDAI/INT/Cir/Misc/
118/05/2020 *Insurance Intermediaries were permitted to avail of additional time of one month to file the quarterly returns for the quarter ending 31.3.2020. In view of the lock-down due to COVID-19 continuing till 17th May, 2020, the Authority hereby allows further time till 31st May, 2020 for the insurance intermediaries to file their quarterly returns.*

Extension of grace period up to 31st May 2020

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India



09.05.2020 IRDAI/Life/CIR/Misc/114/05/2020 *Due to further lockdown, IRDAI extended the grace period, for all life insurance policies where the premium falls due in the month of March 2020, till May 31, 2020.*

Extension of timeline for review and updation of stewardship policy based on the Revised Guidelines on Stewardship Code for insurers in India

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

30.04.2020 IRDA/F&A/CIR/MISC/102/04/2020 *Timeline for insurers to review and update their existing stewardship policy based on the revised guidelines extended upto 31st May, 2020*

Advisory to Policyholders and Insurers Related to Covid-19

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

30.04.2020 --- *IRDAI issued an advisory to policyholders and insurers related to Covid-19*

Prudent management of financial resources of insurers in the context of Covid-19

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

24.04.2020 IRDA/F&A/CIR/MISC/099/04/2020 *IRDAI, through this circular, urged the insurers to take a conscious call to refrain from dividend pay-outs from profits pertaining to the financial year ending 31st March 2020, till further instructions. This position shall be reassessed by IRDAI based on financial results of insurers for the quarter ending 30th September, 2020.*

Union Power Ministry advises States/UTs to allow construction activities in the power projects outside Municipal limits during nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak after observing health protocols

Issued by: Ministry of Power

23.04.2020 Release ID: 1617432 *Ministry of Power has advised the State/UT administrations to allow construction activities in the power projects outside Municipal limits during nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak as per the guidelines issued Union Ministry of Home Affairs on 15.04.2020. These activities may be permitted after observing necessary health protocols to curb COVID-19.*

Norms on collection of Health Insurance Premium during COVID-19 crisis

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

21.04.2020 IRDAI/HLT/REG/CIR/096/04/2020 *IRDAI, through this circular, issued norms on collection of Health Insurance Premium during COVID-19 crisis.*



MNRE Grants Extension for RE Projects considering disruption on account of lockdown due to COVID-19 for a period of 30 Days beyond lockdown

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

21.04.2020	Release ID: 1616670	<p><i>Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has stated that the Renewable Energy implementing agencies may grant extension of time for RE projects, on account of lockdown due to COVID-19, equivalent to the period of lockdown and additional 30 (thirty) days for normalisation after end of such lockdown. The Ministry has also said that all Renewable Energy implementing agencies of the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) will treat lockdown due to COVID-19, as Force Majeure.</i></p>
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MNRE extends effective date for implementation of Approved Lists of Models and Manufacturers of Solar PV Modules and Solar PV Cells by six months to 30.09-2020

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

21.04.2020	Release ID: 1616662	<p><i>Ministry of New & Renewable Energy through this office memorandum has extended the effective dates for implementation of Approved Lists of Models & Manufacturers (ALMM) for Solar PV modules and Solar PV cells to 30.09.2020, which was earlier 31.03.2020, due to COVID-19 pandemic.</i></p>
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Construction activities in the power plants during the nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak

Issued by: Ministry of Power

20.04.2020	No. FU-18/2017-IPC(pt.)	<p><i>In reference to the Ministry of Home Affairs Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 15.04.2020 permitting certain activities during the nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak, additional activities will be operationalized by States/ UTs/ District Administrations based on strict compliance to the existing guidelines on lockdown measures. Construction of all kinds of industrial projects in rural areas, i.e., outside the limits of municipal corporations have been allowed to be carried out with effect from 20.04.2020.</i></p>
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Measures in view of CORONAVIRUS / COVID -19 pandemic

Issued by: Competition Commission of India

20.04.2020	---	<p><i>For all the matters listed for hearings up to May 3, 2020, fresh dates of hearing will be notified in due course and for all other compliances due up to May 3, 2020 in respect of pending cases (Sections 3 & 4) (before the Commission and the DG), fresh dates will also be notified.</i></p>
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Advisory to Businesses in Time of COVID-19

Issued by: Competition Commission of India



19.04.2020

CCI has issued advisory to businesses to deal with the disruptions in supply chains, including those of critical healthcare products and other essential commodities/services, caused due to COVID-19. It has cautioned businesses not to take advantage of COVID-19 to contravene any provisions of the Competition Act, 2002 (Act).

Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 - revised guidelines regarding

Issued by: Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications

19.04.2020

F.No. 1-1/2020-
DGT/1 (2)

Ministry has requested LSA Heads to ensure that all the officers of the rank of Director/Deputy Secretary and above in LSA offices are required to attend office on all working days w.e.f. 20.04.2020 onwards. The Heads of LSAs shall also identify and call required number of officers and staff below the level of Director/Deputy Secretary to attend the office up to a maximum of 33% of strength strictly as per requirement.

Norms on health insurance claims

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

18.04.2020

IRDAI/HLT/MISC/
CIR/95/04/2020

IRDAI, through this circular, issued norms on health insurance claims

Government amends the extant FDI policy for curbing opportunistic takeovers/acquisitions of Indian companies due to the current COVID-19 pandemic

Issued by: Ministry of Commerce and Industry

18.04.2020

Government amends the extant FDI policy for curbing opportunistic takeovers/acquisitions of Indian companies due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and amended FDI policy.

MNRE gives major push towards setting up RE Equipment Manufacturing Parks in India

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

18.04.2020

Release ID: 1615611

The Ministry has initiated action in big way towards setting up new hubs for manufacturing renewable energy equipment in the country to meet both domestic and cater to global demand. Ministry has written to various State Governments and various Port Authorities to identify land parcels of 50-500 acres for setting up such Parks. Further, Ministry is making special efforts to boost export of RE Services like project designing, operations and maintenance.

Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 -revised guidelines regarding

Issued by: Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications



17.04.2020

F.No.16-30/
2020-O&M

In pursuance of the guidelines issued earlier, the Ministry has stated that all the officers of the rank of Deputy Secretary and above in the Department of Telecommunications are required to attend office on all working days w.e.f. 20.04.2020 onwards. Each Wing/Division will also identify and call required number of officers and staff below Deputy Secretary level to attend office, up to a maximum of 33% of strength strictly as per requirement.

Operation and Maintenance of Inter State Transmission Network on 24x7 basis and construction activities being carried out by PGCIL and other private inter-state transmission utilities during the nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak

Issued by: Ministry of Power

17.04.2020

D.O. No. 12/15/2017-
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In relation to Ministry of Home Affairs' Order No. 40-3/2020-DM(I)(A) dated 15.04.2020 some additional activities including laying/erection of transmission lines will be allowed as an additional activity subject to confirming to social distancing in offices, workplaces, factories and establishment as well as other sectoral requirements. Ministry of power through this order requests State/UT Secretaries of Power/Energy to ensure smooth operation and functioning of interstate and intra-state transmission networks in the country.

Government of India Gives 4 Months' Rental Waiver to the IT Companies Operating from Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) Centers

Issued by: Ministry of Electronics and IT

16.04.2020

Government of India Gives 4 months' rental waiver to the IT Companies operating from software technology parks of India (STPI) centers

Premium payment for renewal of Motor Third Party Insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

16.04.2020

IRDAI/NL/CIR/MOT/
090/04/2020

IRDAI, through this circular, extended the date for premium payment for renewal of Motor Third Party Insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 3rd May, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Premium payment for renewal of Health Insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

16.04.2020

IRDAI/HLT/ CIR/
MISC/091/04/2020

IRDAI, through this circular, extended the timeline to pay premium for renewal of Health Insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 3rd May, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Export of diagnostic kits (other than those classified under heading 3002 or 3006) restricted.



16.04.2020 IRDAI/HLT/CIR/MISC/
093/04/2020 *Ministry of Commerce and Industry restricted export of diagnostic kits (other than those classified under heading 3002 or 3006).*

Further relaxation in the terms and conditions for other service providers in the wake of COVID-19 concerns to further facilitate WFH

Issued by: Ministry of Communications, Department of Telecommunications

15.04.2020 No. 18-5/2015
-CS-I (Pt) *The Ministry lists down additional relaxations in the terms and conditions of OSPs to facilitate work from home.*

Measures in view of threat of Corona Virus/Covid-19 pandemic

Issued by: Competition Commission of India

13.04.2020 ---- *CCI announced further measures, inter alia, electronic fillings, pre-filing consultations, electronic control services, in view of threat of corona virus/ Covid-19 pandemic*

CIL to extend Usance LC facility to Power and Non-Power consumers

Issued by: Ministry of Coal

09.04.2020 Release ID: 1612425 *Ministry has declared that the obligation to pay for power within 45 days of the presentation of the bill or as provided in the PPA remains unchanged. Late payment surcharge shall apply at reduced rate for a certain period and obligation to pay for capacity charges as per the PPA shall continue, as does the obligation to pay for transmission charges.*

Clarification to letters dated 27.03.2020 regarding Letter of Credit and 28.03.2020 regarding

Issued by: Ministry of Power

06.04.2020 No. 23/22/2019-
R&R Part-4 *In this notification the Ministry of Power has stated that obligation to pay for power within 45 days of the presentation of the bill or as provided in the PPA remains unchanged. However, late payment surcharge shall apply at reduced rate only for the period between 24.03.2020 to 30.06.2020 and after 30.06.2020 the delayed payment surcharge shall be payable at rates given in the PPA/regulations. The obligation to pay for capacity charges as per the PPA shall continue, as does the obligation to pay for transmission charges.*

Additional time allowed for filing Regulatory Returns

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India



04.04.2020 IRDAI/Life/Cir/Misc/079/04/202 IRDAI, through this circular, allowed additional time to file regulatory returns

'MUST-RUN' for Renewable energy Generating Stations (REGS)

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

04.04.2020 F.No 283/20/2020- GRID SOLAR (ii) The Ministry has Declared that Renewable Energy (RE) Generation Stations have been granted 'must-run' status and this remains unchanged during the period of lockdown.

Implementation of the directions of the Government of India dated 28.03.2020

Issued by: Central Electricity Regulatory Commission

03.04.2020 Suo moto petition no. 6/SM/2020 This matter is in relation to Implementation of the directions of the Government of India dated 28.03.2020 under section 107 of the Electricity Act, 2003 to Central Electricity Regulatory Commission regarding reduction of Late Payment Surcharge.

Premium payment for renewal of motor third party insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 14th April, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

02.04.2020 IRDAI/NL/CIR/MOT/079/04/2020 Premium payment for renewal of motor third party insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 14th April, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Premium payment for renewal of health insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 14th April, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

02.04.2020 IRDAI/HLT/CIR/MISC/078/04/2020 IRDAI, through this circular, extended the timeline to pay premium for renewal of Health Insurance policies falling due during the lockdown period (25th March, 2020 to 14th April, 2020) as a result of COVID 19 situation

Clarification regarding payment to Renewable energy Generating Stations (REGS) during the moratorium provided to DISCOMs by Ministry of Power

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

01.04.2020 F.No 283/20/2020- GRID SOLAR (ii) The Ministry has Declared that Renewable Energy (RE) Generation Stations have been granted 'must-run' status and this remains unchanged during the period of lockdown. The Ministry has also stated that payments to RE Generators be done on a regular basis as was before the lockdown.



Date for implementation of Track and Trace system for export of drug formulations with respect to maintaining the Parent-Child relationship in packaging levels and its uploading on Central Portal extended till October 01, 2020

Issued by: Ministry of Commerce & Industry

30.03.2020	Public Notice No. 66/ 2015-2020 (FTP)	<i>Extension in date of implementation of Track and Trace system for export of drug formulations with respect to maintaining the Parent-Child relationship in packaging levels and its uploading on Central Portal</i>
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Covid-19 instructions to all insurers

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

30.03.2020	IRDAI/INSP/CIR/ MISC/077/03/2020	<i>IRDAI, through this circular, provides for instructions to all insurers</i>
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Measures in view of threat of Corona Virus / COVID -19 pandemic

Issued by: Competition Commission of India

30.03.2020	----	<i>CCI announced certain measures in view of threat of Corona virus / COVID -19 pandemic</i>
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Retrospective Issuance of Certificates of Origin under India's of trading Agreements

Issued by: Ministry of Commerce & Industry

28.03.2020	Trade Notice No.59/ 2019-2020	<i>Certificates of origin under India's trading agreements can be issued retrospectively</i>
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Relaxation of timelines for certain provisions of the IRDAI (Re-insurance) Regulations, 2018

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

28.03.2020	----	<i>IRDAI provides for relaxation of timelines for certain provisions of the IRDAI (Re-insurance) Regulations, 2018.</i>
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Essential operation of power generation utilities and permission for material movement needed by them during the nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak - reg.

Issued by: Ministry of Power

28.03.2020	No. 11/13/2020 Th. II	<i>The Ministry has stated that no restrictions may be imposed on production & movement of critical materials like coal, chemicals, gases etc. and intermediate or finished products to or from such power plants. The List of major Critical items including Chemicals & consumables for Power Plants which require inter-state/ intra-state movement are also listed.</i>
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Power minister approves major relief measures for power sector

Issued by: Ministry of Power

28.03.2020 Release ID: 1608718 *The Ministry of Power declared that during the present emergency there will be no curtailment of supply to any DISCOM. They added that until 30.06.2020 the payment security mechanism to be maintained by the Distribution Companies with the Generating Companies for dispatch of power shall be reduced by fifty percent. Directions have also been issued to the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission to provide a moratorium of three months to Discoms to make payments to generating companies and transmission licensees and not to levy penal rates of late payment surcharge. State Governments are being requested to issue similar directions to State Electricity Regulatory Commissions.*

Essential operation of renewable power generation utilities and permission for material movement needed by them during the nation-wide lockdown for COVID-19 outbreak

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

26.03.2020 D.O No. 283/ 18/
2020- GRID SOLAR *As per this order, power generation is considered as an essential service and there is a need to ensure uninterrupted power generation. Thus the Ministry has listed certain compliances for Renewable Energy Generation Stations and its officers and staff.*

Ensure operational continuity of Print and Electronic Media in view of threat of COVID-19 outbreak

Issued by: Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

23.03.2020 ---- *The Ministry has asked State Governments/ UTs to facilitate operational convenience of TV Channels, News Agencies, Teleport Operators etc and have listed certain exemptions for the same.*

Covid-19 Global pandemic related instructions to Life Insurers

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

23.03.2020 IRDAI/Life/Cir/Misc/072/
03/2020 *IRDAI, through this circular, provided for instructions to Life Insurers, relating to Covid-19 pandemic.*

IRDAI issues Press Release to ensure proper service to policyholders and customers

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

23.03.2020 ---- *IRDAI issues Press Release to ensure proper service to policyholders and customers and provided various relaxations.*



Time Extension in Scheduled Commissioning Date of RE Projects considering disruption of the supply chains due to spread of coronavirus in China or any other country as Force Majeure (FM) event

Issued by: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

20.03.2020	No. 283/18/2020- GRID SOLAR	<i>The Ministry through this memorandum has decided that all Renewable Energy implementing agencies directed to treat delay on account of disruption of the supply chains due to spread of coronavirus as Force Majeure and these agencies may grant suitable extension of time for projects, based on evidences/ documents produced by developers in support of their respective claims of such disruption of the supply chains due to corona virus.</i>
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Relaxation in the T&C for Other Service Provider in the wake of Corona virus COVID-19 concerns

Issued by: Telecom Regulatory Authority of India and Associated Ministries

13.03.2020	18-5/2015-CS-I (Pt.)	<i>Due to the outbreak of Covid-19 and request received from Other Service Providers (OSPs), the Department has provided certain relaxations up to 30.04.2020 for OSPs in relation to work from home.</i>
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Steps taken by Department of Financial Services (DFS) with regard to Disruption on account of Corona Virus.

Issued by: Ministry of Commerce & Industry

12.03.2020	Trade Notice No.55/ 2019-2020 (FTP)	<i>Ministry of Commerce and Industry, through this circular, states the steps taken by the department of Financial Services with regards to disruption on account of corona virus and the instructions provided to the public sector banks and IRDAI.</i>
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Guidelines on handling of claims reported under Corona Virus

Issued by: Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India

04.03.2020	IRDAI/HLT/REG/CIR/ /054/03/2020	<i>IRDAI, through this circular, provided for guidelines on handling of claims reported under corona virus.</i>
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