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To

1. All the State Governments
2. All State Pharmacy Councils
3. All Approved Institutions -
  - a) u/s 12 of the Pharmacy Act, 1948
  - b) conduct of course

Sub: The Jan Vishwas (Amendment in Provisions) Act, 2023 – reg.

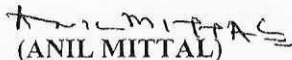
Sir

With reference to the subject cited above, please find attached herewith the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2023 issued by the Ministry of Law and Justice (legislative department) in the Gazette of India (Extraordinary) No. 21, Part-II, Section 1 dt. 11th August, 2023 as Annexure-I.

All the State Governments and State Pharmacy Councils are requested to kindly implement the same.

This is for your strict compliance.

Yours faithfully

  
(ANIL MITTAL)  
Registrar-cum-Secretary

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Separate paging is given to this Part in order that it may be filed as a separate compilation.

## MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 11th August, 2023/Sravana 20, 1945 (Saka)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 11th August, 2023 and is hereby published for general information:—

### THE JAN VISHWAS (AMENDMENT OF PROVISIONS) ACT, 2023

No. 18 of 2023

[11th August, 2023.]

An Act to amend certain enactments for decriminalising and rationalising offences to further enhance trust-based governance for ease of living and doing business.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventy-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

- (1) This Act may be called the *Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2023*. Short title and commencement.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint; and different dates may be appointed for amendments relating to different enactments mentioned in the Schedule.
2. The enactments mentioned in column (4) of the Schedule are hereby amended to the extent and in the manner mentioned in column (5) thereof. Amendment of certain enactments.
3. The fines and penalties provided under various provisions in the enactments mentioned in the Schedule shall be increased by ten per cent. of the minimum amount of fine or penalty, as the case may be, prescribed therefor, after the expiry of every three years from the date of commencement of this Act. Revision of fines and penalties.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
6.	1940	23	The Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940	<p>(A) In section 29, for the words "punishable with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees", the words "liable to penalty which may extend to one lakh rupees" shall be substituted.</p> <p>(B) In section 30, in sub-section (2), for the words "imprisonment which may extend to two years, or with fine which shall not be less than ten thousand rupees, or with both", the words "fine which shall not be less than five lakh rupees" shall be substituted.</p> <p>(C) In section 32B, in sub-section (1), after the words and figures "of section 13," the words, brackets, letters and figures "clause (d) of section 27 and clause (ii) of section 27A," shall be inserted.</p>
7.	1944	18	The Public Debt Act, 1944	Section 27 shall be omitted.
8.	1947	24	The Rubber Act, 1947	<p>(A) In section 11, in sub-section (3), for the words "imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both", the words and figures "penalty which may extend to one lakh rupees or cancellation of licence issued under section 14, or with both" shall be substituted.</p> <p>(B) In section 13, sub-section (3) shall be omitted.</p> <p>(C) In section 25, in sub-section (2), after clause (xxiii), the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:—</p> <p>"(xxiiia) the manner of holding inquiry and imposing penalty under sub-section (1) of section 26B;</p> <p>(xxiiib) the form and manner of preferring appeal under sub-section (2) of section 26B;"</p> <p>(D) In section 26, in sub-section (1), in the long line, for the words "punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to five thousand rupees, or with both", the words "liable to penalty which may extend to fifty thousand rupees" shall be substituted.</p> <p>(E) After section 26A, the following section shall be inserted, namely:</p> <p>"26B. Adjudication of penalties.— (1) For the purposes of adjudging the penalties under sub-section (3) of section 11 and section 26, the Executive Director shall appoint the Secretary to the Board or any other officer authorised by the Central Government, as the case may be, to be an adjudicating officer for holding an inquiry</p>