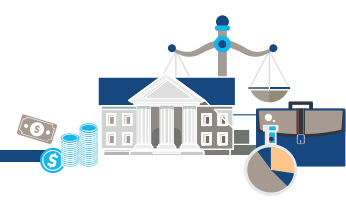


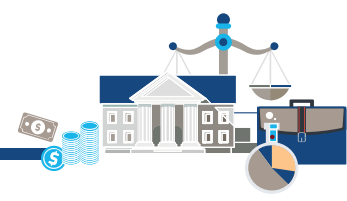
# Applicability and extension of Omnibus Technical Regulation under BIS Laws

This is to apprise you regarding key developments under the Machinery and Electrical Equipment Safety (Omnibus Technical Regulation) Order, 2024 ('OTR'), and Machinery and Electrical Equipment Safety (Omnibus Technical Regulation) Order, 2024, dated June 12, 2025 ('OTR Amendment Order'). The Notification defers implementation timelines and revises the scope of applicability. This update is relevant from a Bureau of Indian Standards ('BIS') compliance perspective.

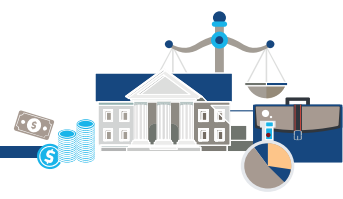
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Background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The OTR was notified on August 28, 2024, with the objective of strengthening safety norms for machinery and electrical equipment in India.</li> <li>It mandates compulsory BIS certification under <b>Scheme X of the BIS (Conformity Assessment) Regulations, 2018</b> for a wide array of products, thereby ensuring standardisation, risk mitigation, and alignment with global conformity protocols.</li> </ul>
Applicability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>OTR was originally applicable from <b>August 28, 2025</b>. The Ministry of Heavy Industry ('MHI') via OTR Amendment Order has extended its applicability for <b>machinery and electrical equipment</b> to <b>September 1, 2026</b>.</li> <li>It will be applicable for <b>assemblies, sub-assemblies, and components</b> of listed machinery and electrical equipment from date to be notified.</li> <li>Effective from <b>September 1, 2026</b>, the following activities pertaining to <i>notified categories</i> of machinery and electrical equipment shall require a valid BIS license: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Manufacture</li> <li>✓ Import</li> <li>✓ Sale or Lease</li> <li>✓ Storage</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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	<div>✓ Exhibition or Display</div> <div><div></div><div>This regulation is applicable to both domestically manufactured and imported products. Consequently, all stakeholders involved in the above activities will need to ensure compliance with the BIS framework before undertaking such transactions.</div></div>												
Products covered	<div><div></div><div>The OTR applies to a broad and expanding list of machinery and equipment categories (including sub-assemblies and critical safety components), which presently includes:</div><div><div>✓ Pumps, compressors, and centrifuges</div><div>✓ Heat treatment equipment</div><div>✓ Textile, weaving, and embroidery machinery</div><div>✓ Plastic and rubber machinery</div><div>✓ Metal cutting, ceramic, and concrete working machines</div><div>✓ Gearboxes, rotary machines, and transformers</div><div>✓ Packaging, sealing, and labelling equipment</div><div>✓ Diesel generators and semiconductor converters</div><div>✓ Cranes, earthmoving, and mining machinery</div><div>✓ Low and high voltage switchgear and control gear</div></div><div>The list is dynamic and subject to updates by way of future notifications.</div></div>												
Key compliance requirements	<div><div></div><div>Only the manufacturer, whether domestic or foreign, is permitted to apply for the BIS license. Importers, brand owners, or sellers cannot obtain a license independently.</div><div><div></div><div>BIS licenses are both factory-specific and product-specific, requiring separate applications for distinct manufacturing locations or models. BIS is empowered to conduct factory inspections, market surveillance, and impose penalties under the BIS Act, 2016.</div></div><div><div></div><div>Certain machinery used exclusively in construction or intended solely for export is exempted from the purview of the OTR.</div></div><div><div></div><div>Manufacturers of listed machinery and electrical equipment are required to pre-register on designated online portal. Following registration, applicants must choose from the following certification options:</div></div><table><tr><th>S. No.</th><th>Certification type</th><th>Scenario</th><th>Permissibility to use Standard Mark</th></tr><tr><td>Option 1</td><td>Certificate of Conformity</td><td>Where manufacturing activity is limited</td><td>✗</td></tr><tr><td>Option 2</td><td>License</td><td>Where manufacturing activity is on a continuous basis</td><td>✓</td></tr></table></div>	S. No.	Certification type	Scenario	Permissibility to use Standard Mark	Option 1	Certificate of Conformity	Where manufacturing activity is limited	✗	Option 2	License	Where manufacturing activity is on a continuous basis	✓
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<b>Dhruva Comments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The extended timeline provides welcome relief for manufacturers and importers, allowing additional time to navigate the certification process. However, the BIS certification process, particularly under Scheme X, can be time-intensive, involving significant documentation, factory audits, and compliance checks.</li> <li>• The overall application process may take up to 6 months for domestic manufacturers and up to 12 months for foreign manufacturers.</li> <li>• Accordingly, it is recommended that stakeholders initiate product classification and technical evaluation promptly and engage with BIS to secure necessary approvals well before the extended deadline.</li> </ul>



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