

**MONTHLY REPORT OF THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH DIVISION FOR  
DECEMBER 2022**

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Enforcement Section (North)</b>  | <b>No.</b> |
|           | Inspections   | 15         |
|           | Follow-up visits  | 1          |
|           | Complaint investigations  | 6          |
|           | Enquiries   | -          |
|           | Court attendance  | 3          |
|           | <b>Total</b>  | <b>25</b>  |
|           | Certificates of Registration of a Factory issued                            | 163        |
| <b>2.</b> | <b>Enforcement Section (South)</b>  |            |
|           | Inspections   | 45         |
|           | Follow-up visits  | 9          |
|           | Complaint investigations  | 5          |
|           | Enquiries   | 1          |
|           | Court attendance  | 3          |
|           | <b>Total</b>  | <b>63</b>  |
|           | Certificates of Registration of a Factory issued                            | 75         |
| <b>3.</b> | <b>Employees' Lodging Accommodation Section</b>                             |            |
|           | Inspections   | 70         |
|           | Follow-up visits  | 17         |
|           | Complaint investigations  | 2          |
|           | Enquiries   | 2          |
|           | Court attendance  | -          |
|           | <b>Total</b>  | <b>91</b>  |
|           | Lodging Accommodation Permits issued  | 85         |
|           | Employees' Lodging Accommodations with a valid Lodging Accommodation Permit | 1,880      |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>Specialist Support Services Unit</b>                                     |            |
|           | Inspections   | 7          |
|           | Follow-up visits  | 5          |
|           | Complaint investigations  | -          |
|           | Investigations into accidents and dangerous occurrences                     | 2          |
|           | Court attendance  | 1          |
|           | <b>Total</b>  | <b>15</b>  |

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| <b>5.</b>  | <b>Construction Section</b>  | <b>No.</b> |
|            | Inspections  | 35         |
|            | Follow-up visits   | 5          |
|            | Complaint investigations   | 2          |
|            | Enquiries  | 6          |
|            | Court attendance   | 3          |
|            | <b>Total</b>   | <b>51</b>  |
|            | Scaffold Contractor's Permit issued                                      | 2          |
|            | Prohibition orders issued  | -          |
| <b>6.</b>  | <b>Accident and Prosecution Section</b>                                  |            |
| <b>(a)</b> | <b>Accident Unit (Provisional figures for accidents)</b>                 |            |
|            | Notifiable fatal accidents   | 1          |
|            | Notifiable non-fatal accidents   | 19         |
|            | Non-notifiable accidents   | 14         |
|            | <b>Total</b>   | <b>34</b>  |
|            | Dangerous occurrences  | -          |
|            | Field visits in relation to accident investigation/dangerous occurrences | 28         |
|            | Court attendance   | 3          |
|            | <b>Total work outside office</b>   | <b>31</b>  |
| <b>(b)</b> | <b>Prosecution Unit</b>  |            |
|            | Cases lodged in Court  | 14         |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 19         |
|            | Cases taken proforma   | 19         |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 27         |
|            | Cases taken for trial  | 6          |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 6          |
|            | Cases in which judgement delivered (details at annex)                    | 7          |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 13         |
|            | <b>Total No. of Counts</b>   | <b>65</b>  |
|            | Information drafted  | 17         |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 22         |
|            | Case file prepared for trial/hearing                                     | 23         |
|            | <i>Counts</i>  | 29         |
|            | <b>Total No. of Counts</b>   | <b>51</b>  |

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| <b>7.</b> | <b>Occupational Safety and Health Training and Information Centre (OSHTIC)</b> |  |                            |       |
|           | <i>Training sessions</i>   | <b>No.</b>                               | <b>No. of participants</b> |       |
|           | At the OSHTIC  | 8  | 213                        |       |
|           | On site  | 3  | 131                        |       |
|           | <b>Total</b>   | <b>11</b>                                | <b>344</b>                 |       |
|           | Certificates of Registration of Safety and Health Officer issued               | <b>14</b>                                |                            |       |
| <b>8.</b> | <b>Registry Section</b>  |  | <b>No.</b>                 |       |
|           | Applications received for the renewal of:                                      |  |                            |       |
|           | (i)  | Certificate of Registration of a Factory | 281                        |       |
|           | (ii)   | Lodging Accommodation Permit             | 49                         |       |
|           | New applications received for:   |  |                            |       |
|           | (i)  | Registration of a factory                | 9                          |       |
|           | (ii)   | Lodging Accommodation Permit             | 49                         |       |
|           | (iii)  | Scaffold Contractor's Permit             | 3                          |       |
|           | Factories closed   |  |                            | -     |
|           | Registered factories as at 31 December 2022                                    |  |                            | 3,651 |
|           | Registration of steam boilers issued   |  |                            | -     |

**1<sup>st</sup> Case: Central Electricity Board**

Date case filed: **25 October 2017**

Count I: Failing to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of its employees. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs20,000/- and cost of Rs200/-.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Case: DLB Construction Ltd**

Date case filed: **14 October 2020**

Count I: Failing to cause the open sides of building from which persons are liable to fall to be adequately fenced. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/-.

Count II: Failing to ensure that a scaffold is effectively braced by means of longitudinal and transverse bracing systems which extend from the base to the top of the scaffold. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,500/- and cost of Rs200/- for both counts.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Case: DLB Construction Ltd**

Date case filed: **14 October 2020**

Count I: Failing to ensure that stairs or ladders are provided to enable persons to gain access from one level of a scaffold to another level. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,500/-.

Count II: Failing to ensure that any work platform provided does not have any opening except to allow access to that work platform. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/-.

Count III: Failing to ensure that every side of a work platform from which a person is liable to fall more than 2 metres is provided with toe-boards and 2 or more guardrails. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/- and cost of Rs200/- for the three counts.

**4<sup>th</sup> Case: Coreline Construction Engineering Co Ltd**

Date case filed: **26 August 2021**

Count I: Failing to cause a scaffold, except an excluded scaffold, to be constructed without holding a permit or enlisting the services of a scaffold contractor. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,500/-.

Count II: Failing to ensure that the scaffold has at least one designated access point from which a person may gain access onto the scaffold. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/-.

Count III: Failing to ensure that any work platform does not have any opening except to allow access to that work platform. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/- and cost of Rs200/- for the three counts.

**5<sup>th</sup> Case: Coreline Construction Engineering Co Ltd**

Date case filed: **26 August 2021**

Count I: Failing to ensure that a work platform is securely fastened in place by cleats or such other means of fastening so as to prevent movement. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/-.

Count II: Failing to ensure that every side of a work platform from which a person is liable to fall more than 2 metres is provided with toe-boards and 2 or more guardrails. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs3,000/-.

Count III: Failing to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of its employees. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs12,000/- and cost of Rs200/- for the three counts.

**6<sup>th</sup> Case: Aluminium Glass Industries Co Ltd**

Date case filed: **07 March 2017**

Count I: Failing to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of its employees. Was sentenced to a fine of Rs12,000/- and cost of Rs200/-.

**7<sup>th</sup> Case: Deep River Beau Champs Milling Co Ltd**

Date case filed: **29 January 2017**

Count I: Failing to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the safety, health and welfare at work of its employees. The case was dismissed on ground that "The Learned Magistrate was unable to find the case for the Prosecution has been proved beyond reasonable doubt."