

Regulatory Update

**Companies Compliance
Facilitation Scheme (CCFS)
Validity Extended till 31st
August 2026**



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BACKGROUND:

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs via its General Circular No. 01/2026 dated 24th February 2026 launched a one-time compliance relief initiative, namely the Companies Compliance Facilitation Scheme, 2026 (CCFS-2026), to enable companies to regularize pending statutory filings by 15th July, 2026.

This initiative provides an opportunity for companies to complete pending annual filings with a significantly lower additional fee. The scheme aims to improve overall compliance levels, reduce financial burden on the companies, and promote ease of doing business.

Now MCA vide its General Circular No. 03/2026 dated 08th July, 2026, has extended the validity of the Scheme up to **31st August, 2026**.

APPLICABILITY AND FINANCIAL INCENTIVE OF THE SCHEME:

Service Category	Action Required	CCFS-2026 Benefit
Regularizing Default	Filing pending Annual Returns & Financial Statements	90% Waiver on additional fees (Pay only 10%)

Dormant Status	Obtaining "Dormant Company" status via e-form MSC-1	50% Discount (Pay only half of the normal fee)
Company Closure	Application for Striking Off via e-form STK-2	75% Discount (Pay only 25% of the filing fees)

APPLICABLE FORMS:

Under the Companies Act, 2013:

- MGT-7 and MGT-7A (Annual Returns)
- AOC-4, AOC-4 CFS, AOC-4 NBFC (Ind AS), AOC-4 CFS NBFC (Ind AS) and AOC-4 (XBRL) (Financial Statements)
- ADT-1 (Auditor Appointment)
- FC-3 and FC-4 (Foreign Company forms)

Under the Companies Act, 1956:

- Form 20B, Form 21A, Form 23AC, Form 23ACA, Form 23AC-XBRL, Form 23ACA-XBRL, Form 66 and Form 23BA

CONCLUSION:

The CCFS-2026 is a significant step toward "Ease of Doing Business," providing a clean slate for companies to regularize their records or exit the registry honourably. With the scheme active **till 31st August, 2026**, stakeholders must act upto the extended timeline to avail of the waiver on additional fees and gain immunity from potential penal actions.

For more details, please refer to the below:

MCA General Circular No. 01/2026 dated 24th February, 2026:-

<https://www.mca.gov.in/bin/dms/getdocument?mds=ZojVoJLpnPM35BP6QFpABA%253D%253D&type=open>

MCA General Circular No. 03/2026 dated 8th July, 2026

<https://www.mca.gov.in/bin/dms/getdocument?mds=xwGPm7oa6c44FD0N2foavA%253D%253D&type=open>

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