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We write to you with an important update on Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) certification in India.

The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (Ministry) had previously notified the “Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirement of Compulsory Registration) Order, 2021” (Order) in March 2021, expanding the scope of electronic products that are subject to compulsory registration with the BIS.

As per the Order, no person shall manufacture or store for sale, import, sell or distribute goods which do not conform to the Indian Standard specified in the Order. Manufacturers of these products are required to apply for registration from BIS after getting their product tested from BIS recognized labs.

In this context, the Ministry has recently on July 1, 2021, issued an amendment (available here) introducing certain key changes to the Order, as follows:

1. **Deferred Application of Order for existing registered manufacturers:** For manufacturers that are already registered under the Order, the application of the Order shall be deferred by six months for goods manufactured at any new location within the territory of India provided certain conditions are met.

2. **Labeling at Custom ports:** A transition period of three months, from the date of coming into effect of the Order for the particular product category, would be available to the representative of the foreign manufacturing unit having liaison office or branch office located in India for affixing Standard Mark at t ports.

3. **Exemption for Highly Specialized Equipment (HSE):** HSE as per the criteria given below shall stand exempted from the application of this Order provided they are manufactured/imported in less than 100 units per model per year
   a. Equipment Powered by three phase power supply or
   b. Equipment Powered by single phase power supply with current rating exceeding 16 Ampere or
   c. Equipment with dimensions exceeding 1.5 m x 0.8 m or
   d. Equipment with weight exceeding 80 Kg

We trust you will find this an interesting read. For any queries or comments on this update, please feel free to contact us at insights@elp-in.com.

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