

MCA paves way for e-adjudication of penalties, extends C-PACE for LLP strike off

E-Adjudication platform [effective from [September 16, 2024](#)]

What is the change?

1. Introduction of E-adjudication platform [insertion of Rule 3A]
2. Proceedings shall now take place in electronic mode *via* the platform
 - Proceedings include issue of notices, filing replies or documents, evidences, holding of hearing, attendance of witnesses, passing of orders and payment of penalty
3. Revision in Form ADJ (form filed for making appeal to RD against order of AO) to introduce the following fields:
 - Order ID number of the adjudication order;
 - Particulars of appellants on behalf of whom the appeal is being filed
4. Mode of sending and preserving notice on e-adjudication platform in case of non-availability of email -address is prescribed.
5. No change in the existing process of adjudication.
6. Ongoing adjudications as on date are outside the purview of e-adjudication.

Rationale and Impact

1. Proposed in [2021](#)
 - To manage the increased volume of adjudication proceedings
 - To facilitate end to end adjudication for the ease of users
2. Impact
 - Will reduce the burden of RoC by streamlining the process
 - Will reducing the physical intervention of stakeholders
 - Power of adjudicating officer to require physical appearance remains in terms of Rule 3(5)

C-Pace for Striking of LLPs

[effective from [August 27, 2024](#)]

What is the change?

Centre for Processing Accelerated Corporate Exit (C-Pace), which was established by MCA to ease the strike off process for the companies on March 17, 2023, has now been empowered to look after the following in the process of voluntary strike off of LLPs-

1. Option to LLPs to file application with C-Pace;
2. Issuing notices to LLPs;
3. Obtaining undertakings w.r.t. availability of funds to discharge the liability

Actionable:

Option to LLPs to file voluntary strike-off application to C-Pace

Rationale:

To streamline and expedite the approval process for voluntary striking off of LLPs

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