

Labour Codes 2025: major changes for every employer.

Updates that will impact your people, payroll & compliance.

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Mandatory Appointment Letters

All workers must receive a written appointment letter ensures clarity & reduces disputes.



Universal Social Security

PF, ESIC, insurance & benefits extended to **all** workers, including gig & platform workers.



Minimum Wages + Timely Payment

Statutory minimum wages & strict timelines for wage payments ensuring financial security.

Annual Health Check-up

Free yearly health check-up for all workers aged 40+.

Free medical tests for all workers in hazardous industries.

Women can work night shifts in all categories incl underground mining and heavy machinery

with consent + safety measures.



ESIC PAN-India

voluntary for establishments with <10 workers;</pre>

mandatory even with one worker in hazardous processes

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Simplified processes and reduction in compliance burden

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Gratuity eligibility reduced from 5 years to 1 year.

Applies to Fixed Term Employees. This impacts cost planning.

Gig and platform work defined

Aggregators must contribute **1–2% of turnover** (capped at 5% payouts) for social security.





Canteens, drinking water, rest areas must be provided to all MSME workers.

Overtime must be consentbased & paid at double the normal wage rate.



National Floor Wage

Ensure no worker is paid below the national minimum living wage.





Establishments with 500+ employees must form safety committees

to strengthen workplace oversight, reduce incidents, and increase statutory accountability

Disputes will now go to twomember industrial tribunals with the option to approach the tribunal directly after conciliation.



Faster closure = fewer long-drawn compliance risks.

50% of total employee compensation must be Basic + DA

Impacts changes in PF, gratuity, overtime & cost structures, making restructuring essential.

Big shifts. Real cost & compliance impact.

TalentCo HR Services helps organisations transition smoothly with restructuring, payroll modelling & clear workforce communication.

Share this with an HR leader, founder or business head who needs to prepare for the 2025 transition.