



#Insights

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Key changes to timelines and process

The Competition Commission of India (Commitment) Amendment Regulations, 2026 recalibrate key timelines, introduce a structured re-filing mechanism for defective applications and align the framework with the CCI General Regulations, 2024.

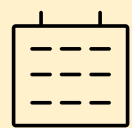


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01 Longer Timelines

Key timelines under the commitment process have been extended.



Time to file a commitment application from receipt of the Commission's investigation order.

Earlier
45 days



Now
60 days



Time for preliminary consideration by the Commission.

Earlier
7 working days



Now
15 working days



Time to conclude commitment proceedings.

Earlier
130 working days



Now
180 working days



Time taken, or any extension availed by the Commitment Applicant or any other party, to furnish requisite information, clarification or response is excluded from the prescribed period.

Clock-stop provision:

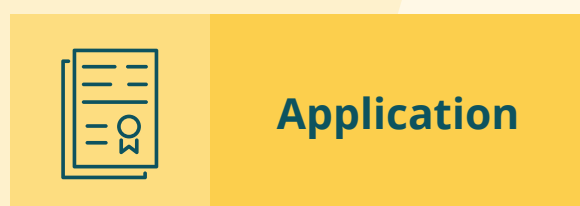
The 180-working-day period is subject to exclusion of time taken or extensions availed by the Commitment Applicant or any other party to furnish requisite information, clarification or response.

Post expiry of the time period:

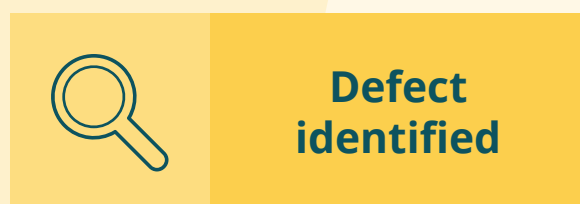
If the commitment proceedings are not concluded within the stipulated period after excluding such time, the inquiry against the Commitment Applicant shall stand resumed.

02 A new route for defective applications

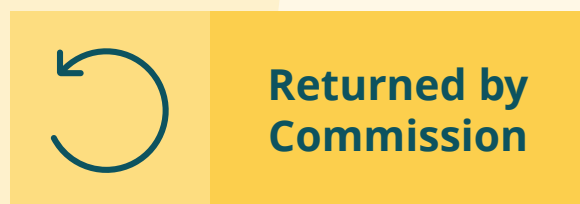
A clear, structured re-filing mechanism brings certainty and fairness.



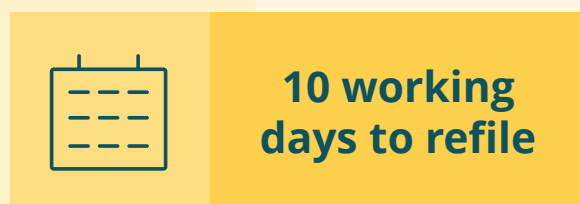
Commitment application filed with the Commission.



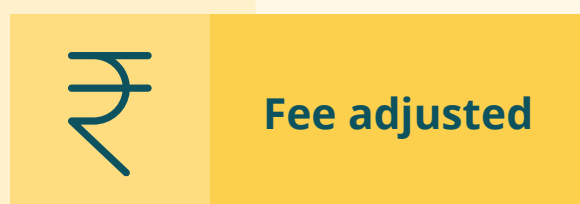
If the application is defective / incomplete, the Commission identifies the deficiencies.



The application is returned with the deficiencies identified.



Applicant must refile within 10 working days after rectifying the defects.



Original fee is adjusted against the re-filing fee.

Important:

If the applicant fails to remove the defects and refile within the prescribed period, the Commitment Application shall be considered invalid.

03 What this means for businesses



More time to decide and prepare

Longer windows to evaluate, prepare and file commitment applications- and more time for the Commission's initial consideration.



A more manageable process

A transparent re-filing route for defective applications ensures a fair opportunity to correct and move forward.



Clear clock-stop protection

Time taken or extensions availed to furnish information or responses are excluded-helping manage the overall timeline more predictably.



Greater procedural clarity

The extended timeline, together with the exclusion of specified period, provides greater clarity on the duration of the commitment process.