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In this edition, we summarise the key regulatory pillars of the Law on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and highlight the practical implications for organisations and individuals involved in the provision, deployment, or use of AI systems in Vietnam.

Besides, we provide other news and regulations that might interest you.



THE 2025 LAW ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: FROM ENABLING INNOVATION TO RISK-BASED GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL LIABILITY

Vietnam has taken a major step towards regulating artificial intelligence with the adoption of the Law on Artificial Intelligence No. 134/2025/QH15 (AI Law), effective from 1 March 2026. As the country's first comprehensive AI legislation, the AI Law introduces a risk-based regulatory framework, establishes core governance principles, and sets out liability for damage arising from AI activities.

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LAWS & REGULATIONS

Decree No. 54/2026/ND-CP

Decree No. 54/2026/ND-CP, adopted on **9 February 2026** and effective from the same date, amends and supplements existing regulations on housing and real estate business to ensure consistency with new legislation, address practical issues, and enhance regulatory effectiveness.

Decision No. 225/QD-TTg

Decision No. 225/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister, issued and effective from **3 February 2026**, promulgates the Plan for implementation of the Law on High Technology, outlining key tasks, timelines, and coordination arrangements among ministries and local authorities to ensure effective and consistent enforcement of the Law nationwide.

Decision No. 224/QD-TTg

Decision No. 224/QD-TTg of the Prime Minister, adopted and effective on **3 February 2026**, promulgates the Implementation Plan for the Law Amending and Supplementing a Number of Articles of the Law on Intellectual Property, setting out assigned tasks, timelines, and responsibilities for ministries and authorities to ensure effective enforcement of the amended IP Law.

Circular No. 08/2026/TT-BTC

Circular No. 08/2026/TT-BTC of the Ministry of Finance, adopted and effective on **3 February 2026**, amends regulations on information disclosure, securities trading, and the operation of securities companies, refining compliance requirements for participants in the securities market.

OTHER NEWS



New tax incentives to benefit startups and SMEs

Newly-issued Decree 20 introduces a package of tax exemptions and reductions, creating a more favourable legal and financial environment for startups and small and medium-sized businesses. ([VIR](#))

Green logistics—the vital link in the global energy transition

As the global energy transition is accelerating, green logistics plays an increasingly important role in the energy value chain. Do



Hoang Phuong, chairman of Precious Prestige Trading and Logistics (PPL), spoke with VIR's Thanh Van about the company's vision and strategy, as well as how the Vietnamese logistics enterprise can contribute to supporting the national and global energy transition. ([VIR](#))



Vietnam fast-tracks 2026 economic census for new development goals

The goal is to complete and announce the census results by June 30, 2026, at the latest—seven months ahead of the initial plan. ([VnEconomy](#))



Steel industry development strategy approved

Under the strategy, annual steel output is expected to increase to 25-26 million tons by 2030, 33-36 million tons by 2035, and 75-80 million by 2050. ([VnEconomy](#))



Pilot 2026 GHG emission quotas to be allocated

The approved pilot quotas will be allocated to 110 key facilities, including 34 thermal power plants, 25 steel production facilities, and 51 cement production plants. ([VnEconomy](#))



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