

2018 Statistical Yearbook of Labor Relations Commission



National Labor Relations Commission



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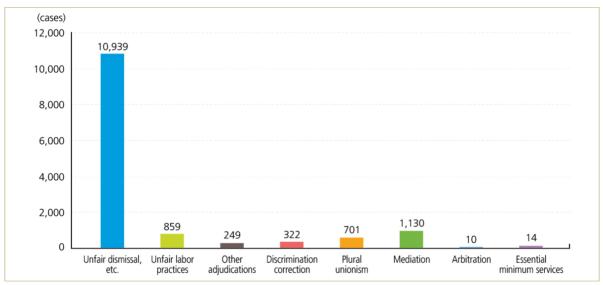
- 1. The yearly statistics listed in this statistical yearbook are based on aggregate figures as of the end of December of the corresponding year.
- 2. The technical terms used in this yearbook are as follows:
  - (1) Case of mediation of labor disputes (or mediation case): A case in which a request for mediation is filed with the Labor Relations Commission when a labor dispute arose from a disagreement on allegations regarding the determination of working conditions between the parties to labor-management relations.
  - (2) Case of arbitration of labor disputes (or arbitration case): A case in which a request for arbitration is filed with the Labor Relations Commission when a labor dispute arose from disagreement on allegations regarding the determination of working conditions between the parties to labor-management relations.
  - (3) Case of essential minimum services: A case in which a party to labor relations in an essential public service requests the Labor Relations Commission to decide on the minimum levels of maintenance and operation, target jobs, required personnel, etc. of essential minimum services.
  - (4) Union pluralism case: All the cases involving plural unionism such as bargaining requests, bargaining representatives, bargaining units, fair representation cases, etc.
  - (5) Bargaining demands case: A case in which a labor union that raises an objection to the contents of the notification of the fact that bargaining has been requested in relation to plural unionism, etc. files a remedy request with the Labor Relations Commission.
  - (6) Bargaining representative case: A case in which, concerning union pluralism, a labor union requests the Labor Relations Commission's decision on the composition of a joint bargaining delegation, etc. or files an objection with the Labor Relations Commission in relation to a majority union.
  - (7) **Bargaining unit case**: A case in which, concerning plural unionism, a party to labor-management relations requests the Labor Relations Commission to decide on the division of a bargaining unit when there is a need to divide the bargaining unit due to significant differences in working conditions in a company (workplace).

- (8) Fair representation case: A case in which, concerning plural unionism, when a representative bargaining union or an employer has discriminated against labor unions or their union members without a justifiable reason in violation of the duty of fair representation, the labor union which has sustained discrimination files a remedy request with the Labor Relations Commission.
- (9) Unfair dismissal, etc. case: A case in which a worker who has been subject to an unfair dismissal, etc. (dismissal, forced leave of absence, suspension from work, job transfer, wage cut, and other penalties) files a remedy request with the Labor Relations Commission against such an unfair dismissal, etc.
- (10) Unfair labor practice case: A case in which a worker or labor union whose rights have been infringed upon by an employers' unfair labor practices files a remedy request with the Labor Relations Commission against such unfair labor practices.
- (11) Other adjudication cases: All the cases involving approval of an exception to suspension of work compensation, approval of an exception to disability compensation, interpretation of collective agreements, resolution on the violation of laws and regulations by collective agreements, resolution on the violation of laws and regulations by labor union constitutions and dispositions, appointment of a person authorized to convene a labor union meeting, resolution on the dissolution of a labor union, etc.
- (12) Discrimination correction case (or discrimination case): A case in which fixed-term, part-time, and dispatched workers who have suffered from discriminatory treatment file a correction request with the Labor Relations Commission against the discriminatory treatment or the Minister of Employment and Labor notifies the Labor Relations Commission of the discriminatory treatment.
- 3. Cases of unfair dismissal, unfair labor practices and plural unionism are all handled by the Adjudication Committee. In the statistical tables of the yearbook, cases of unfair dismissal and unfair labor practices and other adjudication cases filed by workers or labor unions against their employers are counted as adjudication cases, and plural unionism cases involving opinion differences among labor unions are separately counted from adjudication cases.
- 4. When a complainant filed a case for unfair dismissal, unfair labor practices, etc. respectively and the Labor Relations Commission merged those into one case, the case is counted for every type of case.

1 Overview

# **Overall Cases Handled**

- In 2018, the National Labor Relations Commission (NLRC) and the Regional Labor Relations Commissions (RLRCs) handled a total of 14,224 cases, of which the NLRC handled 1,866 cases and the RLRCs 12,358 cases.
- When the 14,224 cases are analyzed according to the types of the cases, 1,130 cases involved mediation of labor disputes, 10 cases arbitration, 14 cases essential minimum services, 701 cases plural unionism, 859 cases unfair labor practices, 249 cases other adjudications, 322 cases discrimination correction, and 10,939 cases were related to unfair dismissal, etc.



#### Statistics on cases handled in 2018

#### **Statistics on cases handled by the NLRC and RLRCs**

		Adjustn	nent of labor	disputes	<b>D1</b> 1			<b>D</b>		
Classification	Total	Mediation	Arbitration	Essential minimum services	Plural unionism	Subtotal	Unfair dismissal, etc.	Unfair labor practices	Other adjudications	Discrimina- tion
Total (%)	14,224 (100.0)	1,130 (7.9)	10 (0.1)	14 (0.1)	701 (4.9)	12,047 (84.7)	10,939 (76.9)	859 (6.0)	249 (1.8)	322 (2.3)
NLRC (%)	1,866 (100.0)	131 (7.0)	(0.2) (0.2)	(0.2)	159 (8.5)	1,523 (81.6)	1,322 (70.8)	180 (9.6)	21 (1.1)	47 (2.5)
RLRCs (%)	12,358 (100.0)	999 (8.1)	7 (0.1)	11 (0.1)	542 (4.4)	10,524 (85.1)	9,617 (77.8)	679 (5.5)	228 (1.8)	275 (2.2)

Notes) 1. The number of cases handled by the Regional Labor Relations Commissions (RLRCs) regarding cases in relation to unfair dismissal, etc., unfair labor practices, discrimination correction, plural unionism, and essential minimum services are the cases for first adjudications and the cases handled by the National Labor Relations Commission (NLRC) are cases for review

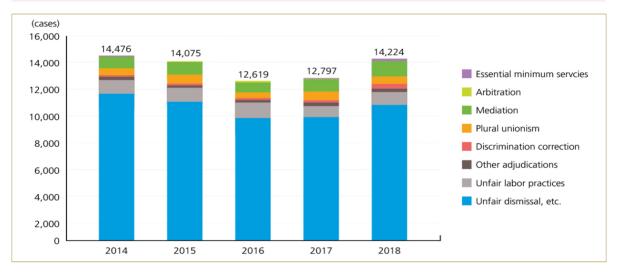
2. Adjustment of a labor dispute by the RLRCs applies to the cases that occur in the jurisdiction of the corresponding RLRC, and adjustment of a labor dispute by the NLRC applies for the cases under the competing jurisdiction of the two or more RLRCs

(Unit: cases, %)

## Overall Cases Handled by Year

#### Statistics on cases handled by year

- The total number of cases handled in 2018 was 14,224, a 11.2% increase from 12,797 cases in the previous year.
- In 2018, cases of adjustments of labor disputes increased by 291 cases (34.7%), those of union pluralism decreased by 93 cases (11.7%), and those of discrimination correction increased by 167 cases (107.7%).
- In 2018, handling of adjudication cases (unfair dismissal, etc., unfair labor practices, and other adjudications) increased by 1,052 cases (9.6%) compared to the previous year, cases of unfair dismissal, etc. decreased by 1,156 cases (11.8%) from the previous year, and those of unfair labor practices decreased by 69 cases (7.4%).

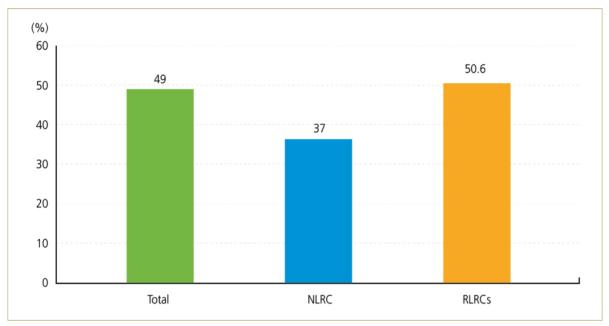


#### Statistics on cases handled by year and NLRC/RLRCs

										(	Unit: cases)
			Adjustme	ent of labor	disputes						
Classi	fication	Total	Mediation	Arbitration	Essential minimum services	Plural unionism	Subtotal	Unfair dismissal, etc.	Unfair labor practices	Other adjudica- tions	Discrimina- tion
	Total	14,476	864	10	15	508	12,918	11,678	1,046	194	161
2014	NLRC	1,728	103	0	3	85	1,526	1,309	206	11	11
	RLRCs	12,748	761	10	12	423	11,392	10,369	840	183	150
	Total	14,075	858	3	72	684	12,320	11,131	1,024	165	138
2015	NLRC	1,852	116	1	1	131	1,570	1,305	257	8	33
	RLRCs	12,223	742	2	71	553	10,750	9,826	767	157	105
	Total	12,619	796	9	11	441	11,247	9,932	1,129	186	115
2016	NLRC	1,952	110	3	4	97	1,706	1,429	264	13	32
	RLRCs	10,667	686	6	7	344	9,541	8,503	865	173	83
	Total	12,797	839	3	11	794	10,995	9,783	928	284	155
2017	NLRC	1,814	97	1	3	71	1,605	1,355	238	12	37
	RLRCs	10,983	742	2	8	723	9,390	8,428	690	272	118
	Total	14,224	1,130	10	14	701	12,047	10,939	859	249	322
2018	NLRC	1,866	131	3	3	159	1,523	1,322	180	21	47
	RLRCs	12,358	999	7	11	542	10,524	9,617	679	228	275

## Mediation Success Rate

- In 2018, the mediation success rate was 49.0%: the mediation success rate by the NLRC marked 37.0%, and that of the RLRCs stood at 50.6%.
- The mediation success rate in 2018 was down by 9.6%p from 58.6% in 2017: that of the NLRC decreased by 9.0%p from 46.0% year-on-year, and that of the RLRCs also was down by 9.6%p from 60.2% in 2017.
  - \* Medication success rate decreased as the mediation of 81 cases out of 86 cases related to Korea Parcel Service Workers Union (The Taekbae Union) was stopped.



#### Mediation success rate in 2018

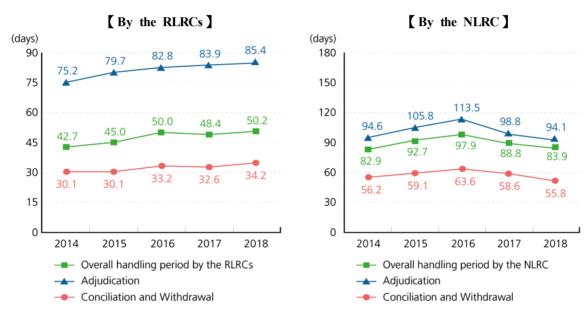


### Statistics on mediation success rate by year

# Average Period for Handling Adjudication and Discrimination Correction Cases

#### Average Period for Handling Cases in 2018

- In 2018, the average period for handling adjudication and discrimination correction cases in the first instance (the RLRCs) was 50.2 days, up 1.8 days from 48.4 days in the previous year, and that in the review (the NLRC) recorded 83.9 days, down 4.9 days from 88.8 days year-on-year.
  - The average period for handling adjudication and discrimination correction cases of the LRC in 2018 is 54.5 days, taking a shorter amount of time than litigation.



#### Average period for handling cases by the RLRCs and the NLRC

#### Average period for handling adjudication and discrimination correction cases by year

(Unit: days)

						(Unit: days)		
	]	First instance (RLRCs		Review (NLRC)				
Year	Total	Adjudication	Conciliation / withdrawal	Total	Adjudication	Conciliation / withdrawal		
2014	42.7	75.2	30.1	82.9	94.6	56.2		
2015	45.0 79.7		30.1	92.7	105.8	59.1		
2016	50.0	82.8	33.2	97.9	113.5	63.6		
2017	7 48.4 83.9		32.6	88.8	98.8	58.6		
2018	50.2	85.4	34.2	83.9	94.1	64.5		

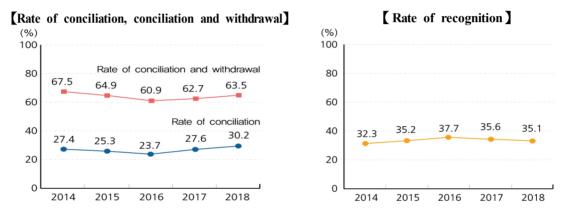
Notes) 1. The average period for handling adjudication cases is the days that are taken from the date when the complaint is filed until when the adjudication statement is issued. For conciliation and withdrawal cases, it is the days that are taken from the date when the complaint is received until when the case is closed with conciliation and withdrawal.

2. The average period taken for review is longer than that for first instance because many of review cases are proceeded to adjudication while the rate of conciliation and withdrawal by an agreement between the parties is high in first instance.

## **Conciliation Rate and Recognition Rate**

- Among 12,369 adjudication and discrimination correction cases that were handled by the Labor Relations Commission in 2018, 3,730 cases (30.2%) were conciliated and 4,126 cases (33.4%) were withdrawn following an agreement between the parties, etc. The rate of conciliation and withdrawal was 63.5%.
  - In 2018, the conciliation rate increased by 2.6%p year-on-year and the rate of conciliation and withdrawal increased by 0.8%p from the previous year.
- Out of the 4,513 cases that reached adjudication in 2018, remedy requests were recognized in 1,585 cases and the recognition rate was 35.1%, down by 0.5% p from the previous year (35.6%).

**Rate of conciliation, conciliation and withdrawal, and recognition in adjudication and discrimination correction cases** 



Statistics on adjudication and discrimination correction cases by year

				(	Cases handle	d						
	Classifica-			Adjudi	cation				Rate of	Rate of conciliation	Rate of	
Year	tion	Total	Subtotal	Recognized		Dismissed without deliberation		Withdrawal	conciliation	and withdrawal	recognition	
	Total	13,079	4,255	1,374	2,131	750	3,581	5,243	27.4	67.5	32.3	
2014	NLRC	1,537	1,061	369	568	124	114	362	7.4	31.0	34.8	
	RLRCs	11,542	3,194	1,005	1,563	626	3,467	4,881	30.0	72.3	31.5	
	Total	12,458	4,370	1,540	1,996	834	3,153	4,935	25.3	64.9	35.2	
2015	NLRC	1,603	1,147	438	528	181	100	356	6.2	28.4	38.2	
	RLRCs	10,855	3,223	1,102	1,468	653	3,053	4,579	28.1	70.3	34.2	
	Total	11,362	4,438	1,674	1,969	795	2,693	4,231	23.7	60.9	37.7	
2016	NLRC	1,738	1,196	508	509	179	137	405	7.9	31.2	42.5	
	RLRCs	9,624	3,242	1,166	1,460	616	2,556	3,826	26.6	66.3	36.0	
	Total	11,150	4,157	1,479	1,913	765	3,072	3,921	27.6	62.7	35.6	
2017	NLRC	1,642	1,234	451	591	192	134	274	8.2	24.8	36.5	
	RLRCs	9,508	2,923	1,028	1,322	573	2,938	3,647	30.9	69.3	35.2	
	Total	12,369	4,513	1,585	2,111	817	3,730	4,126	30.2	63.5	35.1	
2018	NLRC	1,570	1,149	376	587	186	158	263	10.1	26.8	32.7	
	RLRCs	10,799	3,364	1,209	1,524	631	3,572	3,863	33.1	68.8	35.9	

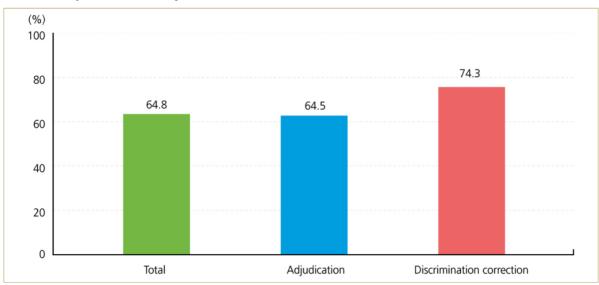
Notes) 1. Conciliation rate = No. of cases conciliated / No. of cases handled

2. Rate of conciliation and withdrawal = (No. of cases conciliated + No. of cases withdrawn) / No. of cases handled

3. Recognition rate = No. of cases recognized / No. of cases adjudicated

## **Remedy Rate for Workers' Rights**

- The overall remedy rate\* of adjudication and discrimination correction cases in 2018 was 64.8%. The remedy rate of adjudication cases was 64.5% and that of discrimination correction cases was 74.3%.
  - \* The remedy rate is calculated only from adjudication cases, including unfair labor practices cases, unfair dismissal, etc., and discrimination correction cases (except for other adjudication cases) for addressing workers' rights.



#### **E** Remedy rate for adjudication and discrimination correction cases in 2018

#### Remedy rate by NLRC/RLRCs in 2018

(Unit: cases, %) Remedy Classification 12,120 4,372 1,523 3,725 4,023 5,248 Total 2,849 64.8 Total NLRC 1.549 375 1,130 755 158 261 533 41.4 **RLRCs** 10,571 3,242 1,148 2,094 3,567 3,762 4,715 69.2 Total 11,798 4,280 1.489 2.791 3,591 3,927 5,080 64.5 Adjudication NLRC 1,502 1,096 362 734 157 249 519 41.4 10,296 3,434 **RLRCs** 3,184 1,127 2,057 3,678 4.561 68.9 Total 322 92 34 58 134 96 168 74.3 Discrimination NLRC 47 13 21 1 34 12 14 40.0 **RLRCs** 275 58 21 37 133 84 154 80.6

Notes) 1. Remedy rate = No. of cases remedied / (No. of cases handled - No. of cases withdrawn)

2. No. of cases remedied = No. of cases recognized + No. of cases conciliated

3. No. of cases recognized are those in which the Labor Relations Commission issued a disposition such as a remedy order, etc. after adjudication, recognizing a remedy request from workers and labor unions

4. Other adjudication cases including those requesting 'approval of an exception to disability compensation' filed by an employer, etc. are excluded

Remedy rate for adjudication and discrimination correction cases by year

• The remedy rate for adjudication cases grew by 1.8%p and that for discrimination correction cases reduced by 1.8%p year-on-year.



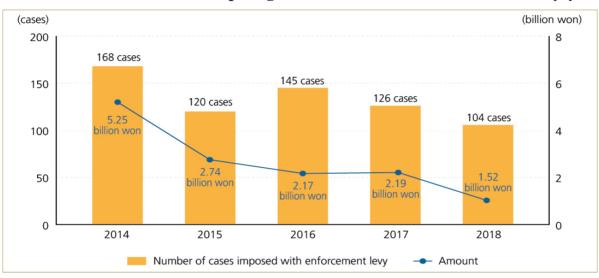
#### Remedy rate of the NLRC/RLRCs by year

• The remedy rate for the overall cases of adjudication and discrimination correction in 2018 increased by 1.9% to 64.8% from 62.9% year-on-year.

				(Unit: %)
Class	sification	Total	Adjudication Cases	Discrimination Correction Cases
	Overall	63.4	63.7	28.3
2014	NLRC	41.4	41.2	60.0
	RLRCs	67.3	67.7	22.0
	Overall	62.4	62.4	65.5
2015	NLRC	43.1	42.1	88.5
	RLRCs	66.3	66.4	55.2
	Overall	61.3	61.3	63.5
2016	NLRC	48.5	48.0	67.9
	RLRCs	64.3	64.3	60.9
	Overall	62.9	62.7	76.1
2017	NLRC	42.9	41.9	80.6
	RLRCs	67.7	67.6	74.0
	Overall	64.8	64.5	74.3
2018	NLRC	41.4	41.4	40.0
	RLRCs	69.2	68.9	80.6

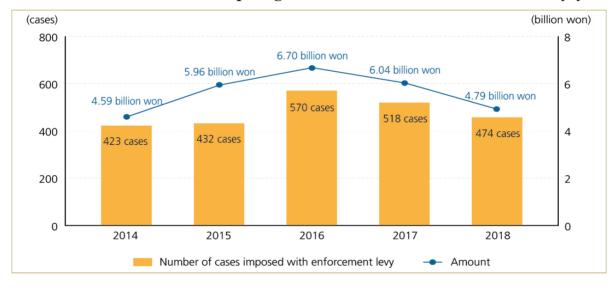
## **Enforcement Levy**

- The LRC imposed enforcement levies on employers who did not comply with the remedy order for unfair dismissal, etc. In 2018, a total of 6.32 billion won was imposed for 578 cases.
  - The NLRC imposed 1.52 billion won for 104 cases and the RLRCs imposed 4.79 billion won for 474 cases.



**E** Statistics on the NLRC's imposing enforcement levies and the amount by year

#### Statistics on the RLRCs' imposing enforcement levies and the amount by year



#### Cases of enforcement levies and the amount imposed by the NLRC/RLRCs by year

					(Unit: c	cases, billion won)	
Classification	То	tal	NL	RC	RLRCs		
Classification	Numbers of cases	Amount	Numbers of cases	Amount	Numbers of cases	Amount	
2014	591	9.84	168	5.25	423	4.59	
2015	552	8.70	120	2.74	432	5.96	
2016	715	8.87	145	2.17	570	6.70	
2017	644	8.23	126	2.19	518	6.04	
2018	2018 578		104	1.52	474	4.79	

## Legal Agents for Employees' Remedy Requests

• The LRC provides free legal agents for employees in the vulnerable groups for their discrimination correction requests or remedy requests for unfair dismissal, etc. The number of the cases where free legal agents were provided in 2018 totaled 2,051 cases, up 495 (31.8%) from 1,556 in the previous year.



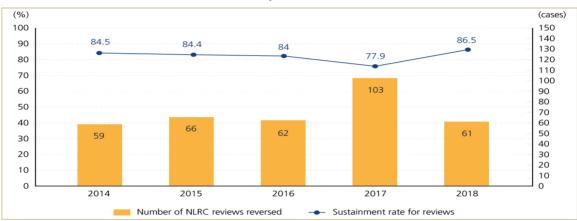
**I** Statistics on free legal agent assistance by year

Procedures for providing free legal agents for employees' remedy requests



# Sustainment Rate of Review Adjudications by NLRC in Litigation

- The administrative litigations against the NLRC reviews in 2018 show that the sustainment rate of review adjudications by NLRC in litigation increased by 8.6% to 86.5% year-on-year.
- The administrative litigations against the NLRC reviews in 2018 show that 391 cases (86.5%) out of 452, which were finalized by the court, sustained the NLRC review adjudications, and 61 cases (13.5%) found the NLRC review adjudications reversed.



#### Sustainment rate for review by the NLRC in 2018

#### Sustainment rate for reviews by the NLRC by year

	ment rate		by the ru	Little by ye	ui	(Unit: cases, %)
Year	Litigations closed	N Total	LRC reviews sustain Litigations won by	Litigations	NLRC reviews reversed	Sustainment rate of the NLRC
2014	291		the NLRC	withdrawn		reviews
$\frac{2014}{2015}$	<u>381</u> 423	<u>322</u> 357	246 285	70	<u>59</u> 66	84.5
2016	387	325	241	84	62	84.0
2017	466	363	297	66	103	77.9
2018	452	391	312	79	61	86.5

Note) 1. Sustainment rate for reviews by the NLRC = Number of NLRC reviews sustained (litigations won by the NLRC + litigations withdrawn) / number of cases closed

#### Sustainment rate for the first adjudications by the RLRCs by year

			Rate of		The	e number of case	es handled b	y NLRC for a	review		
						Adjudi			RLRC		
Year	RLRC adjudication	Filing for NLRC review	filing for NLRC review (%)	Total	Total	Dismissal and dismissal without deliberation of cases filed for NLRC review	RLRC adjudication reversed	RLRC adjudication reversed rate (%)	Conciliation	Withdrawal	adjudication sustainment rate (%)
2014	3,194	1,598	50.0	1,537	1,061	945	116	10.9	114	362	92.5
2015	3,223	1,668	51.8	1,603	1,147	974	173	15.1	100	356	89.2
2016	3,242	1,695	52.3	1,738	1,196	1,009	187	15.6	137	405	89.2
2017	2,923	1,555	53.2	1,642	1,234	1,077	157	12.7	134	274	90.4
2018	3,367	1,716	51.0	1,570	1,149	1,023	124	10.8	158	263	92.1

Note) 1. Rate of filing for NLRC review = The number of cases filed for NLRC review / Number of RLRC adjudication cases
2. RLRC adjudication sustainment rate = The number of RLRC adjudication sustained cases / The number of cases handled by NLRC for review = (Dismissal and dismissal without deliberation of cases filed for NLRC review + Conciliation cases + Withdrawal cases) / Number of cases handled by NLRC for review

3. RLRC adjudication reversed rate = The number of RLRC adjudication reversed cases / The number of adjudication cases by NLRC

4. The gap between yearly cases filed for NLRC review and the number of cases handled by NLRC for review is attributable to the cases passed over from the previous year.

## Dispute Settlement Rate

- In 2018, out of the total 12,358 cases handled by the RLRCs, only 4.3% (488 cases) of the 11,359 cases (999 cases are excluded as they are mediation cases) were filed to the court for administrative litigation. The rest 10,871 cases were closed at the LRC phase as their disputes were resolved, showing 95.7% of the dispute settlement rate by the LRC\*.
  - \* It indicates the rate of the cases that were closed by the LRC by means of conciliation, withdrawal in agreement, or acceptance of adjudication, not proceeding to the court.
- The cases that were closed at the RLRC phase were 9,624, taking up 84.7% of the 11,359 cases handled in the first trial, and 1,247 cases were closed at the NLRC phase, accounting for 11% of the cases handled by the RLRCs.



#### **Statistics on dispute settlements in 2018 in each phase**

#### Dispute settlement rate of the NLRC/RLRCs by year

(Unit: cases, %) Handled by RLRCs (A) filed NLRC Conciliation (C)Total Adjudication Total Adjudication withdrawal withdrawal (D=A-C)(A-B)(B-C)3,477 1,137 2014 11,987 8,510 1,625 488 384 11,603 10,362 1,241 96.8 (1,852)(753)1,269 3.611 2015 11,481 7,870 1.736 467 415 11,066 9,745 1.321 96.4 (1,875)(854)3.442 1.277 2016 9.981 6.539 1,842 565 457 9,524 8,139 1.385 95.4 (1,600)(820)3.089 1.291 2017 10,241 7,152 1,717 426 449 9,792 8,524 1,268 95.6 (842) (1,372)3,702 1,296 439 2018 11,359 7,657 1,735 488 10,871 9,624 1.247 95.7 (1,967)(808)

Notes) 1. Dispute settlement rate = Cases closed by LRC / The number of cases handled in the first trial = (Cases handled by the RLRCs - the number of litigations filed) / Cases handled by the RLRCs

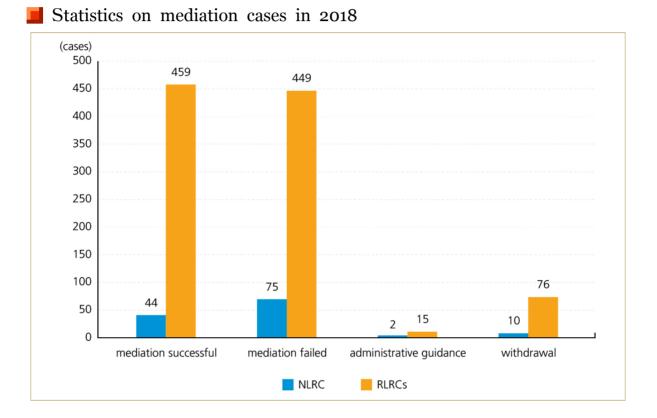
2. The number of adjudication acceptance of the RLRCs is the RLRC adjudication cases excluding those filed for NLRC review disagreeing with the RLRC adjudication, and that of the NLRC is the NLRC adjudication cases excluding cases filed for administrative litigation disagreeing with the NLRC adjudication

3. Cases handled by the RLRCs and the NLRC and the number of litigations filed include all of the adjudication cases (unfair dismissal, etc., unfair labor practices, and other adjudication cases), discrimination correction cases, as well as union pluralism related cases, arbitration cases, and essential minimum services related cases, which are subject to administrative litigation. Mediation cases, which are not subject to administrative litigation, are excluded.

4. The number of cases handled by RLRCs, the number of adjudication cases by NLRC, and the number of litigations filed are data of one year. There is a gap between litigation filed rate and dispute settlement rate because of the cases passed over from the previous year (a litigation for an adjudication case from the end of last year is filed in the early next year).

# 2 Mediation of Labor Disputes

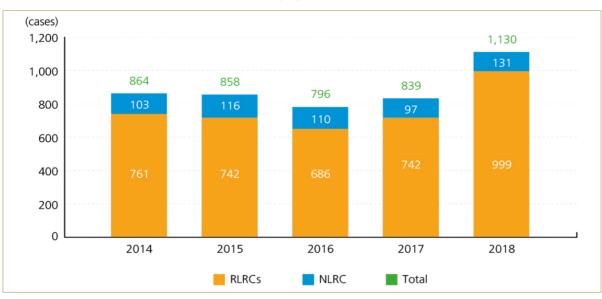
- In 2018, the overall cases handled by NLRC and RLRCs were 1,130 (131 by the NLRC and 999 by the RLRCs).
- In 2018, the number of mediation successful cases (mediation proposals accepted, withdrawn in agreement) was 503 and mediation failed cases (medication proposals refused, mediation stopped) 524, administrative guidance cases 17, and cases withdrawn 86.



#### **Statistics on mediation cases handled in 2018**

										(Unit	: cases, %)
	Cases handled		M	ediation suc							
Classification			Mediation successful			Mediation failed			Administrative guidance	e Cases withdrawn	Successful mediation rate
			Subtotal	Mediation proposals accepted	Withdrawn in agreement	Subtotal	Mediation proposals rejected	Mediation halted	Survey		(%)
Total	1,130	1,027	503	209	294	524	37	487	17	86	49.0
NLRC	131	119	44	16	28	75	6	69	2	10	37.0
RLRCs	999	908	459	193	266	449	31	418	15	76	50.6

- In 2018, the number of overall mediation cases was 1,130 (131 by NLRC, up 35.1% from 97 cases in the previous year, 999 by RLRCs, up 34.6% from 742 cases), up 34.7% from 839 in the previous year.
  - \* The 86 mediation cases filed by Korea Parcel Service Workers Union (The Taekbae Union) are included.



#### Statistics on mediation cases by year

				Med	iation succ	essful + N	Aediation	failed				Successful
		Cases		Medi	ation succ	essful	Me	ediation fai	iled	Admini-	Cases	Successful mediation
Cla	ssification	handled	Total	Subtotal	Mediation proposal accepted	Withdrawn in agree- ment	Subtotal	Mediation proposal rejected	Mediation halted	strative guidance	withdrawn	rate (%)
	Total	864	728	401	169	232	327	43	284	45	91	55.1
2014	NLRC	103	89	27	8	19	62	10	52	3	11	30.3
	RLRCs	761	639	374	161	213	265	33	232	42	80	58.5
	Total	858	710	382	148	234	328	51	277	42	106	53.8
2015	NLRC	116	94	41	14	27	53	10	43	5	17	43.6
	RLRCs	742	616	341	134	207	275	41	234	37	89	55.4
	Total	796	703	410	161	249	293	32	261	14	79	58.3
2016	NLRC	110	102	35	17	18	67	10	57	3	5	34.3
	RLRCs	686	601	375	144	231	226	22	204	11	74	62.4
	Total	839	756	443	188	255	313	47	266	16	67	58.6
2017	NLRC	97	87	40	18	22	47	8	39	3	7	46.0
	RLRCs	742	669	403	170	233	266	39	227	13	60	60.2
	Total (year-on-year)	1,130 (291)	1,027 (271)	503 (60)	209 (21)	294 (39)	524 (211)	37 (△10)	487 (221)	17 (1)	86 (19)	49.0 (△9.6)
2018	NLRC (year-on-year)	131 (34)	119 (32)	44 (4)	16 (△2)	28 (6)	75 (28)	6 (△2)	69 (30)	2 (△1)	10 (3)	37.0 (△9.0)
	RLRCs (year-on-year)	999 (257)	908 (239)	459 (56)	193 (23)	266 (33)	449 (183)	31 (△8)	418 (191)	15 (2)	76 (16)	50.6 (△9.6)

#### **Statistics on mediation cases by year**

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# Essential Minimum Services Determination

- Since the determination of essential minimum services has been included in the responsibilities of the LRC in 2008, a total of 251 cases have been filed and handled. In 2008 when it was first introduced, a significant number of cases were filed. However, since then, cases have been filed sporadically.
- Out of the 251 cases, the LRC has determined the scope of the essential minimum services and the necessary numbers of staff for 102 cases including 41 electricity supply services and 34 hospitals. The rest 149 cases have been withdrawn.

Statistic		yeur	(Unit: cases)				
Voor	Cases	handled	Cases	decided	Cases withdrawn		
Year	Number of cases	Accumulated sums	Number of cases	Accumulated sums	Number of cases	Accumulated sums	
2008	96	96	46	46	50	50	
2009	20	116	14	60	6	56	
2010	12	128	10	70	2	58	
2011	5	133	3	73	2	60	
2012	1	134	1	74	0	60	
2013	8	142	6	80	2	62	
2014	12	154	2	82	10	72	
2015	71	225	6	88	65	137	
2016	7	232	4	92	3	140	
2017	2017 8		4	96	4	144	
2018	11	251	6	102	5	149	

#### **Statistics** on essential minimum services cases by year

Notes) 1. These statistics are based on the numbers of the cases handled by the RLRCs.

2. In 2015, the telecommunications industry (mostly subcontracting companies) filed for a decision on the essential minimum services in a large number but all of them were withdrawn.

#### **Determination** of the essential minimum services by industry

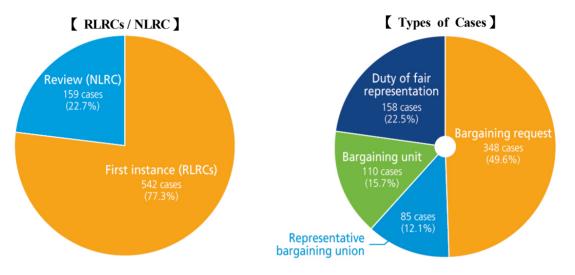
							(Unit: cases)
Total	Electricity supply	Hospitals	Air transportation	Gas supply	Railway and Metropolitan railway	Blood supply	Telecommunications
102	41	34	9	8	8	1	1

Note) These statistics are based on the numbers of the cases decided by the RLRCs.

# 4 Union Pluralism

• In 2018, union pluralism cases totaled 701 (542 by the RLRCs and 159 by the NLRC), down 93 cases from 794 (723 by the RLRCs and 71 by the NLRC) in the previous year. Among them, bargaining request cases (348 cases, 49.6%) and duty of fair representation cases (158 cases, 22.5%) had higher proportions.

#### **Statistics on union pluralism cases in 2018**



a	Classification		Bargaining request			ve bargaining ion	Bargain	ing unit	Duty of fair representation		
Classification		Overall cases handled	Cases handled	Proportion (%)	Cases handled	Proportion (%)	Cases handled	Proportion (%)	Cases handled	Proportion (%)	
	Overall	508	154	30.3	68	13.4	136	26.8	150	29.5	
2014	NLRC	85	5	5.9	22	25.6	22	25.9	36	42.4	
	RLRCs	423	149	35.2	46	10.9	114	27.0	114	27.0	
	Overall	684	265	38.7	66	9.6	184	26.9	169	24.7	
2015	NLRC	131	15	11.5	17	13.0	33	25.2	66	50.4	
	RLRCs	553	250	45.2	49	8.9	151	27.3	103	18.6	
	Overall	441	126	28.6	54	12.2	127	28.8	134	30.4	
2016	NLRC	97	22	22.7	8	8.2	25	25.8	42	43.3	
	RLRCs	344	104	30.2	46	13.4	102	29.7	92	26.7	
	Overall	794	352	44.3	244	30.7	89	11.2	109	13.7	
2017	NLRC	71	12	16.9	17	23.9	11	15.5	31	43.7	
	RLRCs	723	340	47.0	227	31.4	78	10.8	78	10.8	
	Overall	701	348	49.6	85	12.1	110	15.7	158	22.5	
2018	NLRC	159	62	39.0	27	17.0	18	11.3	52	32.7	
	RLRCs	542	286	52.8	58	10.7	92	17.0	106	19.6	

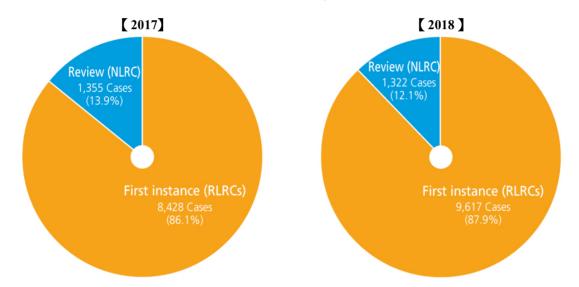
#### **Statistics** on union pluralism cases by year

(Unit: cases, %)

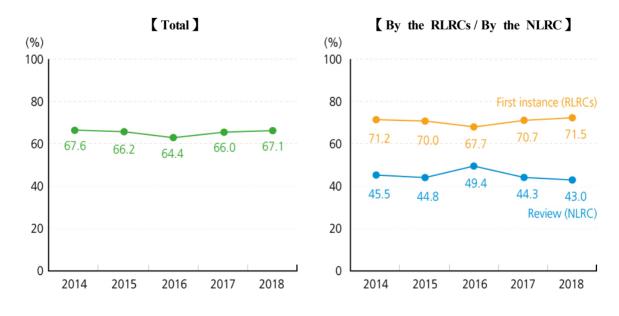
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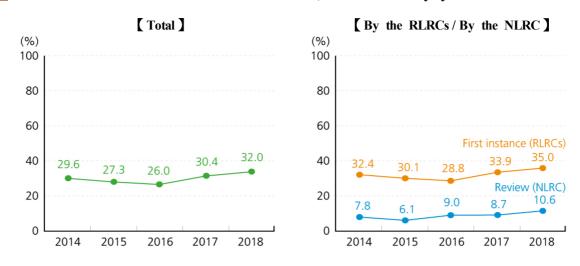
- In 2018, the unfair dismissal, etc. cases handled by the LRC numbered 10,939 (9,617 by the RLRCs and 1,322 by the NLRC), up 1,156 from 9,783 (8,428 by the RLRCs and 1,355 by the NLRC) in the previous year.
- The remedy rate for unfair dismissal, etc. cases in 2018 marked 67.1% (71.5% handled by the RLRCs and 43.0% handled by the NLRC), up 1.1%p from 66.0% (70.7% by RLRCs and 44.3% by NLRC) year-on-year.
  - The conciliation rate for unfair dismissal, etc. cases in 2018 marked 32.0% (35.0% handled by the RLRCs and 10.6% handled by the NLRC), up 1.6% from 30.4% (33.9% handled by the RLRCs and 8.7% handled by the NLRC) in the previous year.

Unfair dismissal, etc. cases handled by the RLRCs and the NLRC

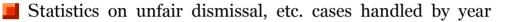


Remedy rate for unfair dismissal, etc. cases by year





#### Conciliation rate for unfair dismissal, etc. cases by year



(Unit: cases, %)

				C	ases adjudic	ated			Conciliation		Domodry
Year	Classification	Cases handled	Total	Cases recognized	Cases dismissed	Dismissed without deliberation	Recognition rate (%)	Cases conciliated	rate	Cases withdrawn	Remedy rate (%)
	Overall	11,678	3,503	1,244	1,566	693	35.5	3,460	29.6	4,715	67.6
2014	NLRC	1,309	893	351	423	119	39.3	102	7.8	314	45.5
	RLRCs	10,369	2,610	893	1,143	574	34.2	3,358	32.4	4,401	71.2
	Overall	11,131	3,563	1,329	1,464	770	37.3	3,042	27.3	4,526	66.2
2015	NLRC	1,305	925	370	387	168	40.0	80	6.1	300	44.8
	RLRCs	9,826	2,638	959	1,077	602	36.4	2,962	30.1	4,226	70.0
	Overall	9,932	3,605	1,404	1,442	759	38.9	2,581	26.0	3,746	64.4
2016	NLRC	1,429	978	418	386	174	42.7	128	9.0	323	49.4
	RLRCs	8,503	2,627	986	1,056	585	37.5	2,453	28.8	3,423	67.7
	Overall	9,783	3,383	1,223	1,461	699	36.2	2,972	30.4	3,428	66.0
2017	NLRC	1,355	1,007	380	453	174	37.7	118	8.7	230	44.3
	RLRCs	8,428	2,376	843	1,008	525	35.5	2,854	33.9	3,198	70.7
	Overall	10,939	3,767	1,378	1,629	760	36.6	3,504	32.0	3,668	67.1
2018	NLRC	1,322	961	333	457	171	34.7	140	10.6	221	43.0
	RLRCs	9,617	2,806	1,045	1,172	589	37.2	3,364	35.0	3,447	71.5

Notes) 1. Recognition rate = Cases recognized / Total cases adjudicated

2. Cases recognized are cases for which the LRC orders a remedy, acknowledging the remedy request by an employee or a labor union

3. Conciliation rate = Cases conciliated / Overall cases handled

- 4. Remedy rate = Cases remedied / (Overall cases handled Cases withdrawn)
- 5. Cases remedied = Cases recognized + Cases conciliated

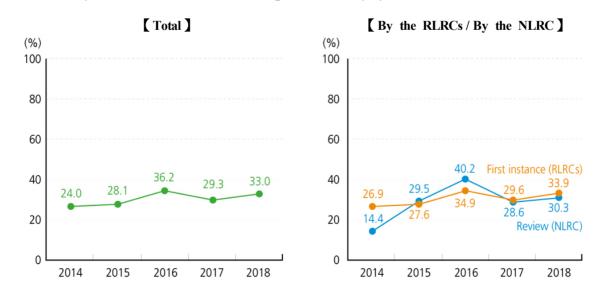
# **6** Unfair Labor Practices

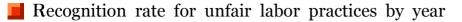
- In 2018, the overall unfair labor practices handled by the LRC totaled 859 (679 by the RLRCs and 180 by the NLRC), down 69 cases from 928 (690 by the RLRCs and 238 by the NLRC) in the previous year.
- The remedy rate for unfair labor practices in 2018 was 33.0% (33.9% by the RLRCs and 30.3% by the NLRC), up 3.7%p from 29.3% (29.6% by the RLRCs and 28.6% by the NLRC) year-on-year.
  - In 2018, among the adjudication cases for unfair labor practices, 21.6% of the cases were recognized (21.7% by the RLRCs and 21.5% by the NLRC), up 2.7%p from 18.9% (16.7% by the RLRCs and 23.2% by the NLRC) in the previous year.

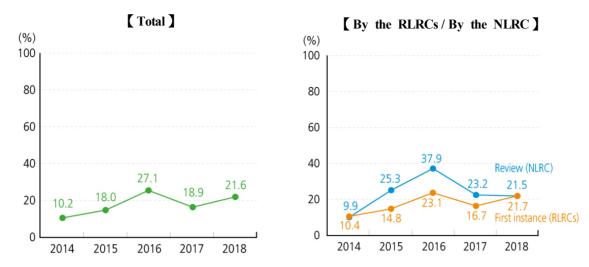
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#### Unfair labor practices handled by the NLRC/RLRCs

Remedy rate for unfair labor practices by year









(Unit: cases, %)

				Ca	ases adjudic	ated			Conciliation		Remedy rate (%)
Year	Classification	Cases handled	Total	Cases recognized	Cases dismissed	Dismissed without deliberation	Recognition rate (%)	Cases conciliated	rate (%)	Cases withdrawn	
	Total	1,046	576	59	502	15	10.2	104	9.9	366	24.0
2014년	NLRC	206	152	15	133	4	9.9	8	3.9	46	14.4
	RLRCs	840	424	44	369	11	10.4	96	11.4	320	26.9
	Total	1,024	645	116	482	47	18.0	91	8.9	288	28.1
2015년	NLRC	257	198	50	136	12	25.3	12	4.7	47	29.5
	RLRCs	767	447	66	346	35	14.8	79	10.3	241	27.6
	Total	1,129	675	183	476	16	27.1	96	8.5	358	36.2
2016년	NLRC	264	182	69	112	1	37.9	7	2.7	75	40.2
	RLRCs	865	493	114	364	15	23.1	89	10.3	283	34.9
	Total	928	545	103	408	34	18.9	80	8.6	303	29.3
2017년	NLRC	238	185	43	129	13	23.2	14	5.9	39	28.6
	RLRCs	690	360	60	279	21	16.7	66	9.6	264	29.6
	Total	859	513	111	383	19	21.6	87	10.1	259	33.0
2018년	NLRC	180	135	29	101	5	21.5	17	9.4	28	30.3
	RLRCs	679	378	82	282	14	21.7	70	10.3	231	33.9

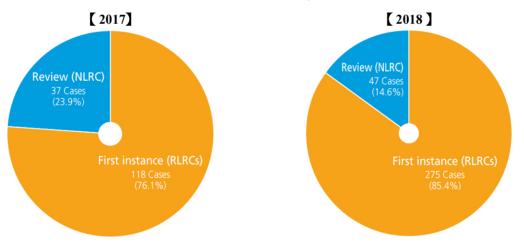
Note) The remedy rate for unfair labor practices is lower than that for unfair dismissal, etc. because, in the case of unfair labor practices, the rate of conciliation between the concerned parties is quite low (around 10%). Also, in the cases of unfair labor practices and unfair dismissal combined, if disciplinary measures (e.g. dismissal, etc.) are recognized as legitimate acts, the aspect of unfair labor practices is not recognized in many cases.

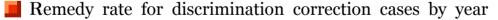
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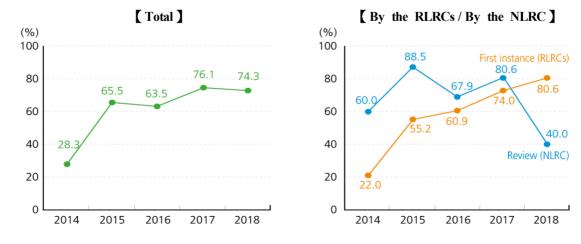
# Discrimination Correction for Non-regular Workers

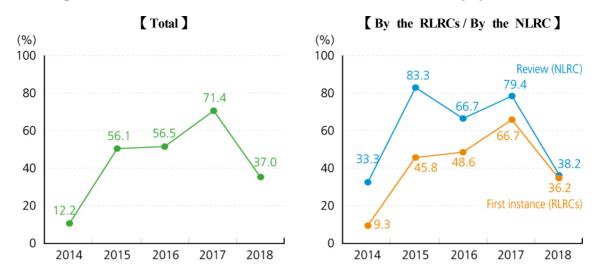
- In 2018, the total number of discrimination correction cases handled was 322 (275 by the RLRCs and 47 by the NLRC), up 167 cases from 155 (118 by the RLRCs and 37 by the NLRC) in the previous year.
  - \* The figure includes 153 cases filed by fixed-term workers at Jeju Special Self-Governing Provincial Office
- The remedy rate for discrimination correction cases in 2018 marked 74.3% (80.6% by the RLRCs and 40.0% by the NLRC), down 1.8%p from 76.1% (74.0% by the RLRCs and 80.6% by the NLRC) year-on-year.
  - In 2018, 37.0% of the adjudication cases for discrimination correction were recognized (36.2% by the RLRCs and 38.2% by the NLRC), down 34.4%p from 71.4% (66.7% by the RLRCs and 79.4% by the NLRC) in the previous year.
    - \* Many (24 cases, 66.7%) of the cases filed by fixed-term workers at the Ministry of Patriots and Veterans Affairs (36 cases) were dismissed because workers to compare them with did not exist.

Statistics on discrimination correction by the RLRCs and the NLRC

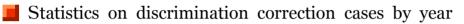








#### **Recognition** rate for discrimination correction cases by year

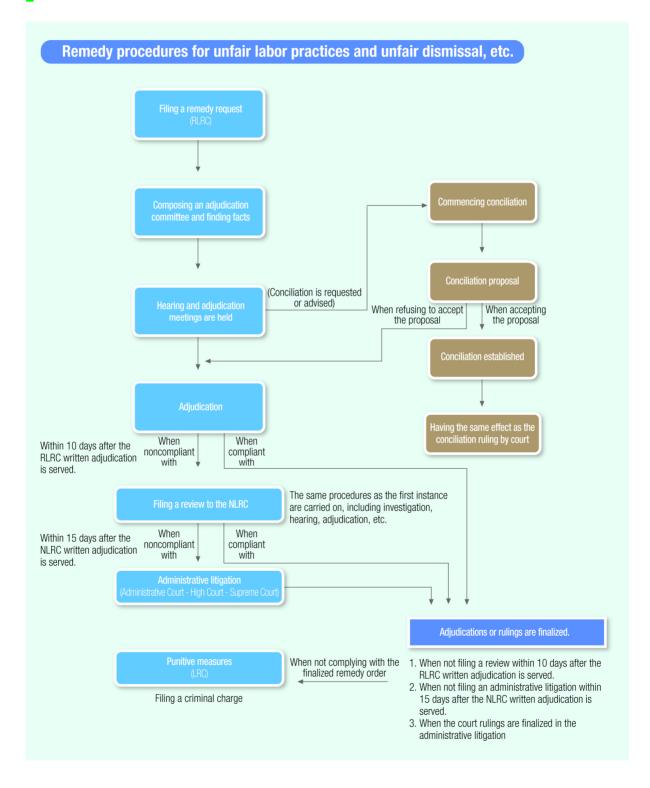


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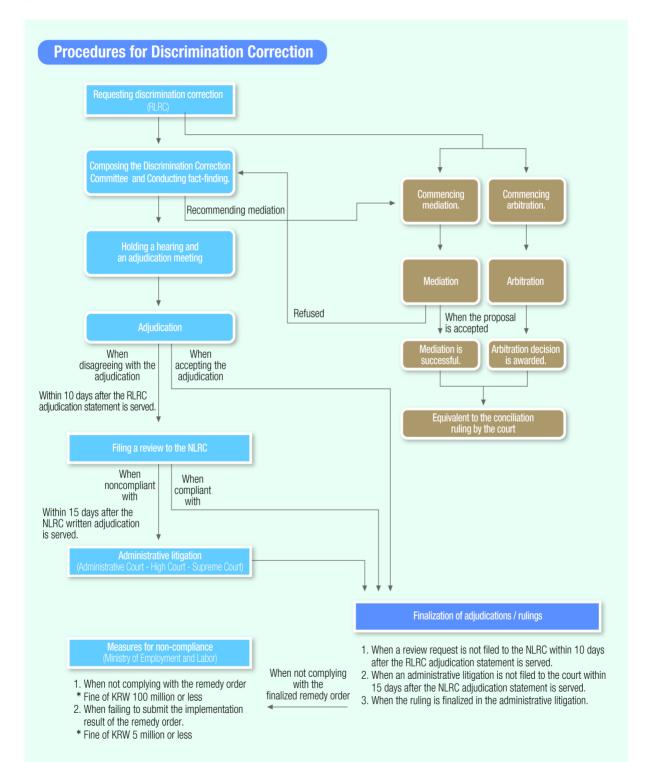
				C	ases adjudic	ated			Conciliation		Remedy
Year	Classification	Cases handled	Total	Cases recognized	Cases dismissed	Dismissed without deliberation	Recognition rate (%)	Cases conciliated	rata	Cases withdrawn	rate (%)
	Total	161	49	6	33	10	12.2	11	6.8	101	28.3
2014	NLRC	11	6	2	4	0	33.3	4	36.4	1	60.0
	RLRCs	150	43	4	29	10	9.3	7	4.7	100	22.0
	Total	138	66	37	26	3	56.1	18	13.0	54	65.5
2015	NLRC	33	18	15	3	0	83.3	8	24.2	7	88.5
	RLRCs	105	48	22	23	3	45.8	10	9.5	47	55.2
	Total	115	62	35	17	10	56.5	12	10.4	41	63.5
2016	NLRC	32	27	18	6	3	66.7	1	3.1	4	67.9
	RLRCs	83	35	17	11	7	48.6	11	13.3	37	60.9
	Total	155	91	65	13	13	71.4	18	11.6	46	76.1
2017	NLRC	37	34	27	5	2	79.4	2	5.4	1	80.6
	RLRCs	118	57	38	8	11	66.7	16	13.6	45	74.0
	Total	322	92	34	46	12	37.0	134	41.6	96	74.3
2018	NLRC	47	34	13	16	5	38.2	1	2.1	12	40.0
	RLRCs	275	58	21	30	7	36.2	133	48.4	84	80.6

# 8 Procedures for Major Tasks

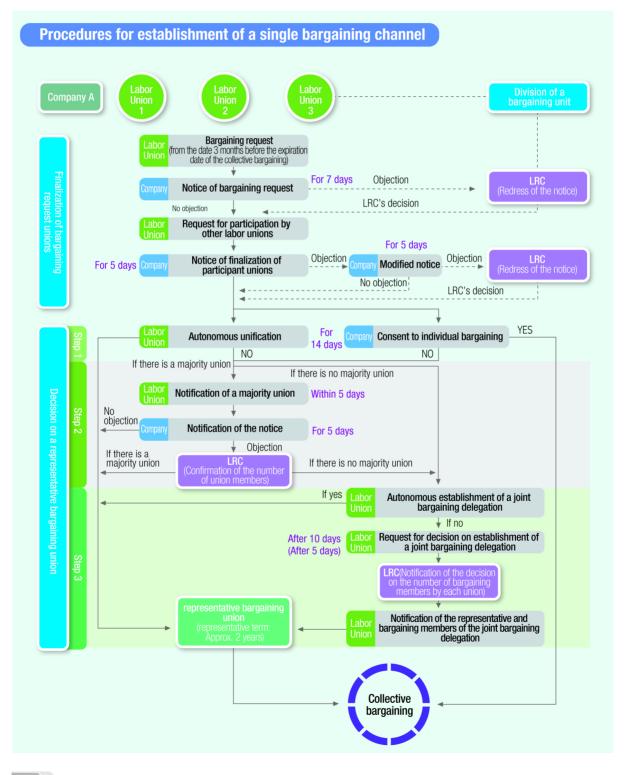
## Remedy Procedures for Unfair Labor Practices and Unfair Dismissal, etc.



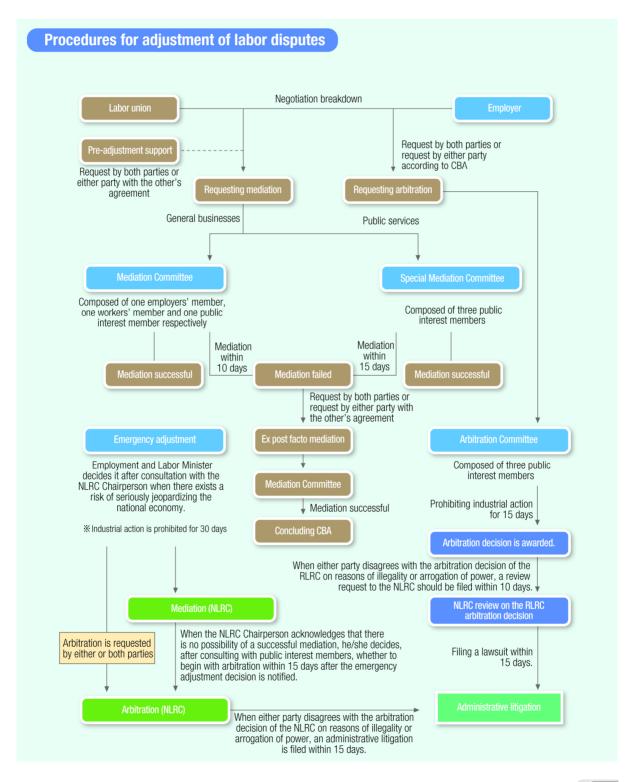
# **Procedures for Discrimination Correction**



## Procedures for Establishment of a Single Bargaining Channel in the Case of Multiple Unions



# Procedures for Adjustment of Labor Disputes



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