

No.RCS/CLC/Directions/2020/89
Government of Puducherry
Cooperative Department (CLC)
V.V.P.Nagar, Thattanchavady Post, Puducherry – 605 009.

Puducherry dated 08.12.2020

PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGISTRAR OF COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES, PUDUCHERRY
[Issued under Section 81(1) of the Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972]

Present: Shri L.Mohamed Mansoor
Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Puducherry.

Sub: Union territory of Puducherry - Registered cooperative societies – Convening of annual General Body Meetings - Direction under sub-section (1) of Section 81 of the Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972 – Issued.

ORDER:

WHEREAS, Section 31 of the Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972 (*for brevity the "Act"*), inter-alia, provides that, the ultimate authority of a registered cooperative society shall vest in the General Body of its members. Section 31(2)(a) of the Act is reproduced hereunder: -

- "A general meeting of a registered society **shall be held once in a year** for the purpose of -
- approval of the budget for the ensuing year with reference to the programme of the activities of the society prepared by the committee;
 - consideration of the audit report and the annual report;
 - disposal of net profits;
 - reviewing the loans given to the members of the committee and their near relatives and directing action for recovery of dues in case of default;
 - consideration of any other matters which may be brought forward in accordance with the provisions of the Act or bye-laws of the society."

2) AND WHEREAS, it has been noticed that, some of the registered cooperative societies didn't convene their General Body Meetings for years together even though it is mandatory as per the provisions of the Act, Rules made there under and their registered bye-laws;

3) AND WHEREAS, in view of the above facts, it is felt necessary to instruct the management of registered cooperative societies to convene their General Body Meetings in accordance with the provisions of the Act, Rules made thereunder and their registered bye-laws.

4) **NOW, THEREFORE**, on the above premises and in order to secure proper management of the business of the registered cooperative societies and in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (1) of Section 81 of the Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972, I **issue the following directions to the management of all the registered cooperative societies, which function in the Union territory of Puducherry:**

- a) Convene their General Body Meetings, at least once in a year, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, Rules made there under and their registered bye-laws to transact the businesses specified under Section 31(2)(a) of the Act.
- b) While convening the General Body Meeting, strictly follow COVID-19 etiquettes.
- c) Submit a copy of the resolutions passed in the General Body Meeting to the administrative branch officer concerned within ten (10) days from the date of General Body Meeting held.

5) The Presidents / Administrators / Special Officers of all the registered cooperative societies, which function in the Union territory of Puducherry, are hereby strictly instructed to follow the above directions, in letter and spirit. It is informed that, in case of non-compliance of these directions, appropriate legal actions will be initiated.

6) The receipt of the proceedings is to be acknowledged.




(L. MOHAMED MANSOOR)
 Registrar of Cooperative Societies

To:

- (1) All the cooperative societies in the Union territory of Puducherry >>> through the Administrative branch officers / Director of Fisheries & Fishermen Welfare

With a request to arrange to serve the proceedings to all the cooperative societies under their administrative control:

- (2) The Director, Directorate of Fisheries & Fishermen Welfare
- (3) The Dairy Development Officer
- (4) The Deputy Registrar (Credit)
- (5) The Deputy Registrar (Housing)
- (6) The Deputy Registrar (Planning)
- (7) The Deputy Registrar (Consumers)
- (8) The Deputy Registrar (Handlooms)

Copy to:

- (1) The PS to Secretary to Govt. (Coop) >>> for the kind information of the Secretary (Cooperation)
- (2) The Joint-Registrar of Cooperative Societies
- (3) The Deputy Registrar (Audit)
- (4) The Deputy Registrar, Karaikal
- (5) The Deputy Registrar, Mahe
- (6) The Cooperative Officer, Yanam
- ✓ (7) Web Editor, Coop. Dept.,
- (8) Stock File, 2020

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