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Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers' Welfare
(Office of Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated 15th January, 2021

To,

All Multi-State Cooperative Societies (including banks),
All Registrar of Cooperative Societies,
All Stakeholders.

Subject: Extension in time-period for holding Elections -reg.

Sir/ Madam,

1. This office has received various references/ requests by Multi-state cooperative societies including banks (hereinafter referred to as 'societies' for the sake of brevity) for not able to conduct elections on time. The issue arises on account of recent pandemic, COVID-19, due to which the elections could not be conducted in the conventional way and the societies have sought guidance of this authority for giving them the extension on time period for conducting elections.
2. Earlier, this office had issued circular dated 14.09.2020 (copy enclosed) on the same issue and this authority had permitted all the societies to conduct elections by 31.12.2020. However, due to imposition of restrictions on movement by the concerned State Government on account of outbreak of COVID-19, many of the societies have still not been able to conduct elections in conventional way within the said time period.
3. In view of the above, it has been decided that in continuation to our circular dated 14.09.2020, the time period for conducting the election by the societies is extended till 15.02.2021. However, Societies/ Banks are advised in their own interest to conduct the election at the earliest depending upon the circumstances in their region.

This issues with the approval of Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies.

Yours sincerely



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Director (Cooperation)