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9th Floor, Tower-E, World Trade Center, Nauroji Nagar, Delhi-110029 Dated: May, 2024

To,

The Registrar of Cooperative Societies, All State Governments/ Union Territories

Sub.: Conducting election of Multi State Cooperative Societies-reg.

Sir/Ma'am,

The Multi State Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2023 has been notified vide gazette notification dated 03.08.2023 and the MSCS Amendment Rules, 2023 have been notified vide gazette notification dated 04.08.2023

2. As per Section 45(1) of the MSCS (Amendment) Act 2023, the Central Government, by notification has established Cooperative Election Authority (CEA) to conduct election of Board of Directors and Office Bearers of MSCS in free, fair & transparent manner.

3. As per Section 45-I of MSCS (Amendment) Act 2023, the Authority is discharging the following functions, namely: —

(i) conduct the elections of the multi-State co-operative society;
(ii) supervise, direct and control the matters relating to preparation of electoral rolls; and
(iii) such other functions as may be prescribed.

4. It has been noticed that few MSCSs have themselves appointed officials of State RCS as Returning Officer to conduct their board election which is not as per the provision of MSCS (Amendment) Act & Rules 2023. The appointment order of Returning Officer (RO) and election program of MSCSs should be issued only by the CEA, Ministry of Cooperation, New Delhi. CEA normally appoint District Collector / District Magistrate as RO.

5. It is therefore requested to kindly intimate all officials including field staff of RCS office not to accept proposals from MSCSs directly on their appointment as RO/ARO.



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6. Secondly, society registered under State Act may be sent their delegate for participation in election of federal cooperatives registered under MSCS Act. Due care and vigilance may be ensured by the field functionaries / State RCS in this regard.

7. It is also requested to provide list of MSCSs whose election have been conducted by official of RCS after 03.08.2023 within 15 days.

This issue with the approval of Competent Authority.

Your faithfully,

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