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Government of India
Ministry of Cooperation
Office of Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies

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Nauroji Nagar, New Delhi -110029
Dated: 5th August, 2026

To

The Registrar of Cooperative Societies (RCS),
2nd Floor, New Central Building,
Ambedkar Wellesley Road,
Pune, Maharashtra 411001.

Subject: Statutory intervention regarding election in the Shirpur Shetkari Sahkari Sahkar Karkhana Ltd., a Multi-State Cooperative Society, Shivaji Nagar, Dahiwad, Tal. – Shirpur, Distt. – Dhule, Maharashtra - 425405 – regarding.

Ref.: CEA letter No. CEA – 12011/491/2025 dated 25.05.2026

Sir,

A request to hold election was received in the office of Cooperative Election Authority (CEA) from Shirpur Shetkari Sahkari Sahkar Karkhana Ltd., Shivaji Nagar, Dahiwad, Tal. – Shirpur, Distt. – Dhule, Maharashtra - 425405, a Multi-State Cooperative Society bearing registration number MSCS/CR/58/1995.

2. In this regard, it is relevant to mention that the matter was under litigation before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature Bombay at Aurangabad vide WP No. 13633 of 2025. Hon'ble High Court vide its order dated 10th Dec, 2025, *inter-alia*, directed as under: -

"The members of the sugar factory will submit a fresh application with the request for holding elections of the board of directors for the sugar factory for the subsequent term, to respondent No. 2 (CRCS) within a period of one week from today. If such application is filled by the petitioners, then respondent No. 2 to decide the same on its merits within a further period of two months from the date of receipt of such application."

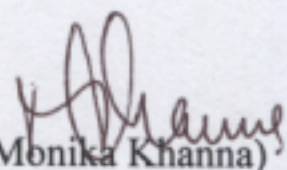
2.1 The Representative of the society interacted with the Cooperative Election Authority and they were informed about necessity of aligning the Bye-Laws in terms of amendments made in 2023 to the MSCS Act, 2002. Further, they were asked to prepare certain basic information such as list of members eligible to vote etc.

2.2 However, to take action as in para 2.1 above, it is observed that there is no subsisting board in the society. In such conditions, as per Section 39(2) of MSCS Act, CRCS is competent to appoint a person authorized to convene AGM with the purpose of conducting election under the supervision of Cooperative Election Authority and also send a proposal for alignment of Bye-Laws.

3. Therefore, Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Maharashtra is requested to nominate an officer of adequate seniority (Deputy Registrar or above rank) from to convene the General Body Meeting with, *inter-alia*, following agenda: -

- i. Passing resolution for Amendment in bye-laws of the society aligning with MSCS Amendment Act-2023 and submit to the O/o CRCS for approval
 - ii. Preparation of Election Roll (as per report dated 06.05.2025 copy attached).
 - iii. For Conduct of Election by CEA following the procedure as explained in CEA's letter dated 25.05.2026 (Copy enclosed).
4. The entire exercise of convening meeting and passing of resolution as at (i) &(ii) above should be completed within 60 days, after appointment of the officer for the purpose. After completion of AGM and submission of report along-with electoral rolls by the designated officer, election schedule will be issued by CEA.
5. In order to have continuity in implementation of decision of AGM and to conduct of elections, the same officer will act as Assistant Returning Officer (ARO) for the election of the Society, to assist the Returning officer (*District Magistrate/Collector of the district where Head Office of the Society is located*).
6. The designated officer would also perform the following duties & responsibilities in addition to Para 3 & 4 above:
- a) Get the meeting notice issued through Chief Executive of the Society for the AGM at the principal place of the Society as per Rule 13(1) and Rule 15(3) of MSCS Rules.
 - b) Direct Chief Executive to submit Fact Sheet and countersign it. (copy of Fact Sheet, as prescribed by CEA to capture information required for conduct of election, is enclosed).
 - c) Submit a detailed report to CEA along with copy of resolution passed in AGM. Report shall contain details of:
 - i. Date, time and venue of the meeting.
 - ii. Number of members attended the meeting.
 - iii. Total membership as on 31.03.2025.
 - iv. Details of quorum
7. The designated officer shall be entitled for Rs 10,000/- or 3 days of basic pay, whichever is less, as honorarium for convening of Special AGM and the expenses shall be met by the Society.
8. This issues with the approval of the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies.

Encl : As stated above.


(Monika Khanna)

Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies

Copy to for information:

1. The Chief Executive Officer / Managing Director, Shirpur Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd, Shivajinagar, Dahiwad, Tal – Shirpur, Distt.- Dhule, Maharashtra - 425405. (E – Mail : hr.sssskl@gmail.com).
2. PS to Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies, New Delhi.
3. Cooperative Election Authority for information.

By Speed/Regd. Post/E-mail

No. CEA-12011/491/2025
 Government of India
 Ministry of Cooperation
 Cooperative Election Authority

9th Floor, Tower-E, World Trade Centre,
 Nauroji Nagar, New Delhi – 110 029.

Dated:25.05.2026

To,

Shirpur Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd.,
 Shivajinagar, Dahiwad, Tal-Shirpur,
 Dist. Dhule - 425405, (Maharashtra).
 Email: hr.sssskl@gmail.com

Subject: Conduct of election of Shirpur Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the order dated 10.02.2025 of Hon'ble High Court in Writ Petition No. 13633 of 2025 relating to conduct of election of Shirpur Shetkari Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd. Accordingly, petitioners of the Writ Petition were requested to be present in the Authority on 23rd March, 2026 at 12.00 PM. However, the petitioners did not attend the meeting. Subsequently, former Chairman and Vice-Chairman requested a meeting in Authority to submit their point of view and accordingly Shri Madhavrao Anandrao Patil, former Chairman and Shri Dileep Dagado Patel, former Vice-Chairman were present on 27th April, 2026 at 3.00 PM.

2. Background of the case:

Earlier the Society was registered under Cooperative Societies Act, Maharashtra and it was converted into a Multi-State Cooperative Society. It was informed that the Society has approximately 17,000 members. Last election of the Board was held in 2016 for a period of five years. Though the Society requested CRCS to appoint Returning Officer in 2021, no election could be conducted for the Board of Directors and the Office Bearers. The Society is not functioning. There are other issues relating to its finance where considerable amount of loan has been taken from District Cooperative Bank and other financial institutions. There is no Chief Executive in the Society and in absence of elected Board of Directors, it may be difficult to appoint a regular Chief Executive as Board of Director is appointing authority. It was informed during the meeting that the Society is yet to amend their bye-laws as per MSCS (Amendment) Act, 2023.

The representatives are aware of the procedural requirement for conduct of election and are requesting time of six months to complete the procedural requirement including condonation of non-conduct of election in 2021 and convening of AGM under Section 39(2).

3. Accordingly, the person who attended the meeting were requested to provide the following:

- Copies of the proceeding of election conducted in 2016;
- Breakup of members as on 31.03.2026 state-wise, district-wise;
- Last audited balance sheet;
- A copy of Bye-Laws duly amended by CRCS with stamp and seal. The Society was apprised that for conduct of election of the Society, the CEA would require a request letter along with copies of bye-laws amended as per MSCS Act, 2002.

