

BIHAR CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1935

14. Registered societies to have a managing committee etc– (1) Every registered society shall have an address, registered in accordance with rules, to which all notices and communications may be sent, and shall send notice, in writing to the Registrar and to the financing bank, if any, of which it is a share holder and to the Co-operative Federation, if any, of which it is member, of any change in the said address within fifteen days of such change,

(2) The management of registered Society shall be vested in managing committee constituted in accordance with the provisions of this Act and rule/byelaws of the society made under this Act.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in any provision of this Act of Rules Byelaws of the Society the maximum number of members including office bearer or office bearers in a managing committee of society shall be seventeen in Apex and State level society, fifteen in Central Co-operative Society and thirteen in Primary Society:

Provided that in the Managing Committee of such Societies or of class of societies and in such areas as the State Government may by general or special order direct at least two seats shall be reserved for members belonging to the scheduled castes or scheduled tribes, two seats for the ladies and one seat each for backward and other backward caste. The seats so reserved shall be filled up from amongst the members of scheduled castes or scheduled tribes, ladies and backward and other backward castes members either by election or/and by co-option. This provision shall apply to all Societies from the Primary Society and up to the Apex Society.

(9) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Rules or the Bye Laws of any Registered Society, the term of the members and office bearers of the managing committee of a registered society shall not exceed five years from the date of election.

(10) If for any reason elections are not held within the said period after expiry of the term of the managing committee the committee shall be deemed to have been superseded with effect from the said date and the Registrar Co-operative Societies shall appoint any government servant as Administrator for a period not exceeding six months for constitution of managing committee in accordance with law:

Provided that if for certain special circumstances the election of the members and office bearer of the managing committee is not held within the stipulated period of six months, the Registrar after obtaining explanation from the Administrator and after recording reasons in writing may extend the period of supersession for a period not exceeding three months.