ANDHRA PRADESH ACTS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS Etc.,

The following Act of the Andhra Pradesh Legislature received the assent of the Governor on the 14th April, 2022 and the said assent is hereby first published on the 20th April, 2022 in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette for general information:

ACT No. 5 of 2022.

AN ACT FURTHER TO AMEND THE ANDHRA PRADESH MUTUALLY AIDED CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1995.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Andhra Pradesh in the seventy-third year of the Republic of India as follows,

1. (1) This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh Mutually Aided Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2022.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint.

2. In the Andhra Pradesh Mutually Aided Co-operative Societies Act, 1995, (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), in section 2 for clause (d) the following shall be substituted, namely,

“(d) "Co-operative Society" means a Mutually Aided Co-operative Society registered under Section 4 of this Act or a Co-operative Society registered under the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964, and converted itself into a Co-operative Society under this Act.”
In section 4 of the principal Act,-

(i) proviso under sub-section (1) shall be omitted.

(ii) sub-section (1A) shall be omitted.

(iii) after sub-section (6), the following shall be added, namely,-

"(7). (I) A Co-operative society registered under this Act under Section 4 (1) intending to convert itself into a cooperative society under Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964 may do so following the procedure given below:-

(i) It shall frame bye-laws in accordance with the provisions of Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964.

(ii) An application for registration shall be submitted to the Registrar by hand or registered post.

(ii) Every such application shall be accompanied by:-

(i) The original and one copy of the bye-laws of the proposed Co-operative society as adopted by the General Body of the Co-operative Society registered under this Act, which intends to convert itself into a Co-operative society under Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964.

(ii) A true copy of the minutes of the General Body Meeting at which the proposed bye-laws were adopted, attested by a majority of the members of the committee of the Co-operative society concerned; and

(iii) Registration fee amounting to Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees one thousand only).

(iii) The Registrar, shall, if he is satisfied that;- 

(i) The application in conformity with the requirements of the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964;

(ii) The proposed bye-laws are not contrary to the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1964; and

(iii) The name of the proposed Co-operative society is not the same as that of a Co-operative society already registered under the Act, register the Co-operative society and also its bye-laws and communicate by registered post a certificate
of registration and the original of the registered bye-laws
signed and sealed by him within a period of thirty days from
the date of receipt of application from the applicant society.

(iv) Upon such registration, the registration made under this Act,
shall stand cancelled.

4. In section 27, after sub-section (1), the following proviso shall be
inserted, namely,-

"Provided that the accounts audited by the Chartered Accountant/Auditor
shall be accompanied by a certificate to the effect that the society has
duly and fully collected the profession tax from the employees liable to
pay tax under the Andhra Pradesh Tax on Professions, Trades, Callings
and Employments Act, 1987 (Act No.22 of 1987) and has duly remitted
the said monies as prescribed under said Act No.22 of 1987."

5. In section 34 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), after clause
(f), the following clause shall be added, namely,-

"(g) proof of deduction of profession tax from the
employees of the Society and its remittance as prescribed
under Andhra Pradesh Tax on Professions, Trades,
Callings and Employments Act, 1987 (Act No.22 of 1987)."

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