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AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION DEPARTMENT
(COOP-I)

A.P. COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1964 - DELEGATION OF POWERS OF THE REGISTRAR OF COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES TO THE SUBORDINATE OFFICERS OF THE COOPERATION DEPARTMENT - CONSOLIDATION OF DELEGATION BY SUPERSESSION OF EARLIER ORDERS.

[G.O.Ms.No.23, Agriculture & Cooperation (H&S), 30th April, 2026.]

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies Act, 1964 (Act 7 of 1964), and in supersession of all earlier Notifications/ Orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.890, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:29.03.1965, G.O.Ms.No.942, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:07.10.1974, G.O.Ms. No. 1052, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:29.07.1976, G.O.Ms.No.1050, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:29.12.1976, G.O.Ms. No.749, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:26.10.1977, G.O.Ms. No. 375, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:17.07.1985, G.O.Ms.No.34, Food & Agri. (Coop-IV). Dept., dt:16.01.1989, G.O.Ms.No.547, Food & Agri. (Coop-IV). Dept., dt: 11.07.1989, G.O.Ms.No.553, Food & Agri. (Coop-IV). Dept., dt:13.07.1989, G.O. Ms.No.82, Food & Agri. Dept., dt:18.01.1992, G.O.Ms.No. 19, Agri. & Coop (Coop-IV). Dept., dt:01.02.1995, G.O.Ms.No.185, Agri. & Coop (Coop-IV). Dept., dt:03.08.2000, G.O.Ms.No.251, Agri. & Coop (Coop-IV). Dept., dt:07.10.2009, and G.O.Ms.No.51, Agri. & Coop. (Coop-II) Dept., dt:06.07.2022, the Governor

of Andhra Pradesh hereby appoints the Authorities mentioned in Column (2) of the Schedule hereto and confers on them, in respect of the societies mentioned in Column (3) thereof, the powers of the Registrar under the said Act specified in the corresponding entry in Column (4) of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE

Sl. No.	Authority	Types of Cooperative Societies	Extent of Powers Conferred
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	Additional Registrars in Head Office.	All Cooperative Societies except those under the administrative control of the Functional Registrars.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act and Rules except Sections: 4(2), 9-A and their corresponding Rules.
2.	District Collector of the district where the headquarters of the society is situated.	(i) District Cooperative Central Banks.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except Sections: 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 31, 32(7), 34, 50, 64(1), 77, 78, 86, sub-sections (4), (14), (15), (16)(a) & (22) of Section 115-D and their corresponding Rules.
		(ii) District Cooperative Marketing Societies; other District Level societies; and societies whose area of operation extends to more than one district with headquarters situated in the district but is not an apex society and other than societies under the administrative control of the Functional Registrars.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except Sections 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 31, 50, 77, 78, 86, 116-C and their corresponding Rules.
		(iii) All Primary Societies.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 15-A, 31, 83(3), 115-D(16) in respect of Cooperative Credit Societies covered under the revival package and 116-C(1) of the Act and their corresponding Rules.

3.	District Cooperative Officer of the district where the headquarters of the society is situated.	(i) District Cooperative Central Banks.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except those under Sections: 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 31, 32(7), 34, 50, 64, 65, 77, 78, 83(3), 86, 115, sub-sections (4), (12), (14), (15), (19) & (22) of Section 115-D and their corresponding Rules.
		(ii) District Cooperative Marketing Society, Other District Level Societies, and Other societies not being an Apex society with area of operation extending to more than one district having its headquarters situated in the district.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except those under Sections: 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 31, 50, 77, 78, 83(3), 115, 116-C and their corresponding Rules.
		(iii) All Primary Societies other than the societies under the administrative control of Functional Registrars.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except those under Sections: 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 50, 77, 78, 83(3), 115, sub-sections (4), (10), (12), (14), (18), (19) & (22) of Section 115-D, 116-C and their corresponding Rules.
4.	(i) Deputy Registrar of Cooperative Societies In-Charge of Divisions where headquarters of the society is situated.	(i) Apex Societies with Head Quarters situated in the Division; District Cooperative Central Banks; District Cooperative Marketing Societies with Head Quarters situated in the Division; other District level societies; and societies whose area of operation extends to more than one District with Head Quarters situated in the Division and is other than a society under the administrative control of the Functional Registrars.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 6, 8, 16, 61, 62, 70, 71, 73 & 74 and their corresponding Rules.

		(ii) Urban Banks coming under the Banking Regulation Act.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except Sections 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, second proviso to sub-section (1)(a) of Section 31, 32(7), 34, 50, 51, 52, 64, 77, 78, 83(3), 86, 115, 116, 116-C and their corresponding Rules.
		(iii) Societies specified in Rule 12-A of the APCS Rules, 1964 and all other Primary Societies and societies whose area of operation extends beyond the division and whose headquarters is situated in the division except societies under the administrative control of Functional Registrars.	Powers of the Registrar under the Act except Sections: 4(2), 9-A, 17, 18, 19(2-B), [second proviso to sub-section (1)(a) of Section 31 in so far as District and State level societies are concerned], 50, 51, 52, 53, 77, 78, 83(3), 86, 115, 115-D(10), (18), 116-C and their corresponding Rules.
	(ii) Assistant Registrar / Senior Inspector working under the control of Deputy Registrar in-charge of division.	All employees, Credit Societies, Urban Banks, Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies / Farmer Service Cooperative Societies that are financed by other than DCCBs and whose headquarters are situated in the division.	Powers of the Registrar under Section 71 of the Act and its corresponding Rules.
5.	(i) Officers of Department of Cooperation working on Special Duty in the Apex Bank i.e., APCOB and DCCBs.	APCOB, District Cooperative Central Banks and members / Cooperative Societies financed by them.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 61(1) & (2), 62 (only to the extent for recovery of dues of the institution), 70, 71, 73 and their corresponding Rules.
	(ii) Assistant Registrars / Senior Inspectors working under Officers on Special Duty in District Cooperative Central Banks.	District Cooperative Central Banks and members / Cooperative Societies financed by them.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 61 & 62 (only to the extent for recovery of dues of the institutions), 70, 71, 73 and their corresponding Rules.

6.	(i) Officers of Department of Cooperation working on Special Duty in Cooperative Urban Banks or called otherwise in other Cooperative Societies working under F.R. 127 terms for recovery of dues of the institution.	Members / Cooperative Societies financed by the Cooperative Urban Banks and other Cooperative Institutions.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 61(1) & (2), 62 (only to the extent for recovery of dues of the hired institutions), 70, 71, 73 and their corresponding Rules.
	(ii) Assistant Registrars / Senior Inspectors working in Cooperative Urban Banks and other Cooperative Institutions under F.R. 127 terms.	Members / Cooperative Societies financed by the Cooperative Urban Banks and other Cooperative Institutions.	Powers of the Registrar under Section 71 and their corresponding Rules.
7.	(i) Vice-Chairman & Managing Director of the Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam.	All Primary Societies affiliated to Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 51 and 52 of the Act and their corresponding Rules.
	(ii) Audit Officer of Department of Cooperation working in Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd.	Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam and member societies.	Powers of the Registrar under Section 55-A of the Act and their corresponding Rules.
	(iii) Officers of Department of Cooperation working on F.R. 127 terms in the Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam.	Girijana Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Visakhapatnam and member societies.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 61, 62, 70, 71 in respect of Sale Officers, 73 and 74 of the Act and their corresponding Rules.
8.	(i) Chief Auditor.	All Societies.	Powers of the Registrar under Sections 55-A and 115-D(22) of the Act and their corresponding Rules.

(ii) District Cooperative Audit Officer.	All Societies other than Apex societies in the District.	Powers of the Registrar under Section 55-A of the Act and their corresponding Rules.
(iii) Joint Registrar, Special Cadre Deputy Registrar and Deputy Registrar working as Audit Officer in the institutions under F.R. 127 terms.	Societies in which they are working.	Powers of the Registrar under Section 55-A of the Act and their corresponding Rules.

EXPLANATIONS:

- a. The above delegation of the powers of the Registrar to the various Officers shall not denude the powers of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies conferred on him under the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies Act, 1964 and the Rules made there under and the Registrar shall continue to exercise all such powers concurrently, including the powers excepted in Column (4) of the Schedule.
 - b. Functional Registrars are those appointed as Registrar under Section 3(1) of the APCS Act, 1964 with respect to Cooperative Societies functioning under the administrative control of Departments other than Department of Cooperation and upon whom the powers of Registrar under the Act have been conferred by the Government with respect to particular societies mentioned therein. Except for orders 1 to 14 read above to have been suppressed, all other conferment/ delegation orders issued till date to Functional Registrars working in departments other than Co-operation stand intact and continue in force.
 - c. For the purposes of this Notification, the expression "district where the headquarters of the society is situated" shall be construed with reference to the districts as re-organised vide G.O.Ms. No. 188 & others (Revenue Department), dt:02.04.2022, G.O.Ms. No. 517, Revenue (Lands-IV) Dept., and G.O.Ms.No.524, Revenue (Lands-IV) Dept., dt:30.12.2025, and any subsequent related orders issued from time to time.
 - d. The recovery of Government dues shall not be covered by the delegations made at Sl. Nos. 5 and 6 of the Schedule and shall continue to be dealt with by the Officers of Cooperation Department.
 - e. Anything done or any action taken under the Notifications hereby superseded shall, in so far as it is not inconsistent with this Notification, be deemed to have been done or taken under this Notification.
8. This Notification shall come into force with effect from the date of its publication in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

B. RAJSEKHAR,

Ex-Officio Special Chief Secretary to Government.