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#### GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

# Co-operation (B) Department ORDER

G O. (P) No. 73/2011/Co-op.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 6th May, 2011.

S. R. O. No. 290/2011.—WHEREAS, under sub-section (1) of section 28 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969), the term of the committee of a society, constituted by the general body shall not exceed five years;

AND WHEREAS, in the context of holding election to the Legislative Assembly Constituencies in the State on 13th April, 2011 Government as per G.O. (P) No. 62/2011/Co-op. dated 21st March, 2011 postponed the process of election in Co-operative Societies falling due during the period of election for a period of one month from the date of publication of the said order on condition that in respect of those societies where the election process has already started, all further steps shall be postponed forthwith at the stage which it now stands and that wherever there is specific direction of Honourable High Court to conduct election, the matter may be brought to the notice of the Honourable High Court;

AND WHEREAS, the Government are now convinced that due to Legislative Assembly Election and the prevalence of model code of conduct election to the governing body of some of the Co-operative Societies are now pending and consequently comes under Administrative Control;

AND WHEREAS, the Government are satisfied that for administrative convenience and in the public interest it is necessary to extent the term of the governing body of the Co-operative Societies for a further period of two months in view of the election to the Assembly Constituencies and prevalence of the model code of conduct in respect of the Co-operative Societies in which election to the governing body are not completed within the expiry of its term;

Now, Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 101 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 (21 of 1969), the Government of Kerala hereby direct that the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 28 of the said Act, shall apply to those Co-operative Societies, where election to form new committees are not complete within the expiry of the term and election process has already been started but not completed, the term of the such societies are extended up to two months from the 21st day of April, 2011 subject to the notification of substituting the words five years and three months for the words "five years".

By order of the Governor,

K. Usha Devi, Additional Secretary to Government.

## **Explanatory Note**

(This does not form part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

It is the duty of the officers of the Co-operation Department under rules 35 and 35A of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Rules, 1969 to arrange for the free and fair elections to the Co-operative Societies. In the context of elections to Legislative Assembly during April, 2011 the officers of the Co-operation Department were engaged as the officers for conducting election to the Legislative Assembly. So they were not able to complete the election process of some of the Co-operative Societies in the State. The Government, therefore, are of the view that it is necessary, in public interest, to extent the term of the Co-operative Societies for a period of 2 months from 21st April, 2011 in respect of those societies where the election to the Governing Body are not completed, within the expiry of the term due to the prevalence of model code of conduct in connection with Assembly Election and the term of the Governing Body expires in the meantime. This is for avoiding administrative vacuum in the said Co-operative Societies.

The order is intended to achieve the above object.