

9.Co-operative societies to be bodies corporate.- The registration of a society shall render it a body corporate by the name under which it is registered, having perpetual succession and a common seal, and with power to hold property, enter into contracts, institute and defend suits and other legal proceedings and to do all things necessary for the purposes for which it was constituted:

^{19a}[Provided that the Government and the Registrar shall have power to regulate ¹⁹[xxx] the working of a society for the economic and social betterment of its members and the general public.]

²⁰[9A. Publication of name by a co-operative society.- Every co-operative society,-

- (a) shall paint or affix its name, register number and the address of its registered office and keep the same painted or affixed in conspicuous position, in letters easily legible to members in vernacular language and in English language, on the outside of every office or place in which its business is carried on;
- (b) shall have its name engraved in legible characters on its seal with common emblem; and
- (c) shall have its name and address of its registered office, mentioned in legible characters in all its business letters in all its bill heads and letter paper, and in all its notices and other official publications, and also have its name so mentioned in all bills of exchange, hundis, promissory notes, endorsement, cheques and orders for money or goods purporting to be signed

by or on behalf of the co-operative society and in all bills of parcels, invoices, receipts and letters of credit of the co-operative society.]

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19a inserted by [Act 7 of 2010](#)