

## The Andhra Pradesh Single Window Co-Operative Credit Structure at State Level Act, 1994

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AN ACT TO USHER IN THE SINGLE WINDOW CO-OPERATIVE CREDIT SYSTEM AT THE STATE LEVEL AND TO MAKE CONSEQUENTIAL AMEND-MENTS TO THE ANDHRA PRADESH CO-OPERA-TIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1964.

Whereas a team of high level Officers , constituted to study the existing rural , cooperative credit delivery setup recommended

Received the assent of the Governor on the 16th April, 1994. For Statement of objects and Reasons, Please see Andhra Pradesh Gazette, Part IV-A, Extraordinary, dated the 2nd March, 1994 at Page 6. the reorganisation of the Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies and integration of short term and long term credit structures;

And whereas a Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Additional Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture recommended integration of long term and short term credit structures and suggested the integration to be taken at the district level in the first phase;

And whereas the Government of India in consultation with Reserve Bank of India and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development gave clearance in the year 1986 to the State Government for integration of short term and long term cooperative credit structures for implementation at the district level in the first phase;

And whereas the integration of both the structures has accordingly been completed upto district level in all aspects in the year 1987;

And whereas at the State level the Andhra Pradesh State Cooperative Bank and the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Central Agricultural Development Bank are now functioning as Apex level credit structures;

And whereas it is expedient to merge both the said Banks at State level as a logical corollary and to achieve the desired results to the full extent as envisaged, under the Single Window Cooperative Credit System in the State;

And whereas the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development in consultation with the Reserve Bank of India and the Government of India communicated its consent for integration of the apex level credit agencies by merger of the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Central Agricultural Development Bank with the Andhra Pradesh State Cooperative Bank Limited;

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Andhra Pradesh in the Fortyfifth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Andhra Short title Pradesh Single Window Cooperative Credit and commence-Structure at State level Act, 1994. ment.

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

2. (1) With effect on and from the date <u>Abolition</u> of appointed by the Government under sub-sec- Central Agrition (2) of section 1, the Andhra Pradesh <u>cultural</u> Central Cooperative Agricultural Develop- <u>Development</u> ment Bank registered under Andhra Pradesh <u>Bank</u>. Cooperative Societies Act. 1964 (hereinafter Act 7 of 1964. in this section referred to as the 'said Bank') shall stand abolished.

(2) On such abolition of the said Bank under sub-section 1,--

(a) all properties, assets including all balances, rights, privileges, benefits, licences, powers, authorities and interest vested in the said Bank shall devolve upon the Andhra Pradesh State Cooperative Bank Limited (hereinafter in this section referred to as the successor Bank);

(b) all contracts including guarantees, deeds, bonds, debentures, agreements, powers of attorney and other instruments of whatever nature executed by or in favour of the said Bank and having effect immediately before its abolition shall be enforced and effected against or in favour of the Successor Bank and may be acted upon as fully and effectively as if the successor. Bank is a party thereto; (c) any suit, appeal or other legal proceeding of whatever nature by or against the said Bank pending on the date of its abolition shall be prosecuted by or continued against the successor Bank;

(d) all persons who are members of the said Bank on the date: of its abolition shall be deemed to be the members of the successor Bank and shall continue to hold office as such only so long as they would have held office as members of the said Bank had it not been abolished:

Provided that the institutions and corporate bodies, other than the District Cooperative Central Banks who were the nominal members in the said Bank shall continue to be the nominal members of the successor Bank without a right to vote;

(e) the successor Bank shall exercise the powers and discharge the functions of all long term, medium term and short term agricultural credit and allied functions such as the banking functions;

(f) all the employees of the said Bank shall be transferred to and shall be deemed to be the employees of the Successor Bank:

Provided that the staff so transferred shall continue to be governed by the respective service regulations applicable to them immediately before such transfer until new service regulations are framed by the successor Bank with the approval of the Commissioner of Cooperation and Registrar of Cooperative Societies:

Provided further that the service rendered by the staff so transferred in the said Fank upto its abolition shall be deemed to be the service under the successor Bank and they shall be entitled to count that service for all purposes including increments, leave, provident fund and gratuity:

Provided also that their existing terms and conditions of service shall not be varied to their disadvantage.

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(3) The integration of the services of the employees of the said Bank with the employees of the successor Bank shall be effected in accordance with such principles as may be prescribed by rules framed in this behalf by the Government subject to the provisions of clause (f) of sub-section (2).

 (4) The Registrar shall cause all consequential amendments to the Bye-laws
 and regulations of the Successor Bank to be made to carry out the purposes of this section.

3. (1) Throughout the Andhra PradeshAmendment of Cooperative Societies Act, 1964 (herein-Act 7 of 1964, after referred to as the principal Act), for the words "Central Agricultural Development Bank" wherever they occur, the words "The Andhra Pradesh State Cooperative Bank Limited" shall be substituted.

(2) In section 84 of the principal Act, clause (b) shall be omitted.

4. The provisions of this Act shall have Act to overeffect nothwithstanding anything contained ride other .
in the Andhra Pradesh Cooperative Societies Laws.
Act, 1964 or in any other law for the time Act 7 of 1964. being in force.

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