

Important/Immediate

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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture  
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi  
Dated the 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2013

To

The Registrar of cooperative Societies  
All State Government/Union Territories.

Subject : Submission of names of Officers/employees for deputing as a Returning Officer/Polling Officer to conduct the Election of cooperative Societies/  
Multi-State Cooperative Societies- Regarding –

Sir,

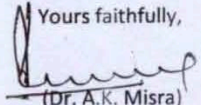
I am desired to invite your attention regarding constitutional (97<sup>th</sup> Amendment) Act, 2011 relating to cooperative Societies which has come into force w.e.f. 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2012. This provides for a maximum period of one year from the date of its commencement to amend the State Laws relating to Cooperative societies including Multi-State Cooperative Societies. The constitutional (97<sup>th</sup> Amendment) Act, 2011 provides that the "*superintendence, direction and control of the preparation of electoral rolls for, and the conduct of, all elections to a cooperative society shall vest in such an authority or body as may be provided by the Legislature of a State by Law*"

2. In accordance with these amendments, this Department is in process to constitute an election authority for conducting the elections of Multi-State Cooperative societies as and when due as per the provisions of Multi-State Cooperative Societies (MSCS) Act, 2002. Returning officers would be required to be appointed for this purpose.

3. It is, therefore, requested that a list of suitable officers (including officers retired within last 5 years) having experience of conducting elections of Cooperative societies may be furnished to this Department for preparing a panel of Returning Officers/Polling Officers etc. for conducting the elections of Multi-State Cooperative Societies immediately. This may also be sent on email address cdcakm.57@gmail.com.

An early action in this regard is highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,



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