

The Societies Registration Act

Section 4 - Insertion of new section 3 k -AAer section 3 of the principal Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely

" 3 k Prohibition against registration of societies with undesirable names.- No society shall be registered by a name which, in the opinion of the Inspector-General, is undesirable, being a name which is identical with, or which in the opinion of the Inspector-General so nearly resembles the name by which any other existing society has been previously registered as to be likely to deceive the public or members of either society, or which is being used without the previous permission of the Government concerned, and which suggests or is calculated to suggest the patronage of any Government or Government or local authority, or which may, subject to any rules made in this behalf, be deemed to be undesirable by the Inspector-General. Provided that no order shall be passed under section 3A unless the party against whom such order is proposed to be passed is heard on the matter." 1 ["3B. Renewal of certificate of registration.- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), a certificate of registration issued under section 3 shall remain in force for a period of five years from the date of issue: Provided that a certificate of registration issued before the commencement of the Societies Registration (Goa Second Amendment) Act, 1998 (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "said Act"), shall remain in force for a period of one year from the date of such commencement. (2) A society registered under section 3, whether before or after commencement of the said Act, shall, on application made to the Inspector-General on expiration of the period referred to in sub-section (1) and on payment of fees specified in subsection b (3), be entitled to have its certificate of registration renewed for five years, at a time: Provided that in the case of a society registered before the commencement of the said Act, the Inspector-General shall refuse to renew the certificate of registration, if, after giving it an opportunity of showing cause against such refusal, he is satisfied that any of the grounds mentioned in section 4A exist in respect thereof. (3) There shall be paid to the Inspector-General with every application for renewal of certificate of registration- (a) a fee equal to the registration fee payable under section 3 or Rs. 100/-, whichever is less, if such application is filed within the period specified under sub-section (2); (b) an additional fee of Rs. 50/-, if such application is filed within one month of the date of expiration of the period specified under sub-section (2); (c) an additional fee at the rate of Rs. 50/- per month or part thereof, if such application is filed beyond one month of the expiration of the period specified under sub-section (2). 1 inserted new sections 3B and 3C by the Goa Amendment No. 1 of 1999 (4) Every application for renewal of certificate of registration shall be accompanied by the list of members of the managing body or governing body, as the case may be, elected after the registration of society or after renewal of certificate of registration and also the certificate sought to be renewed, unless dispensed with by the Inspector-General on the ground of its loss or destruction or any other sufficient cause. (5) A society which fails to get the certificate of registration renewed in accordance with this section within one year from the expiration of the period for which the certificate was operative, shall become an unregistered society: Provided that the Inspector-General may, for sufficient cause, allow the application for renewal for more than one year after the expiration of the period for which the certificate was operative, on payment of fees of Rs. 500/-. (6) Where a certificate of registration is renewed in accordance with subsection (2) or sub-section (4), such renewal shall operate from the date of expiration of the period for which the certificate was operative