



Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election Commission

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To  
The State Election Officers.

RC. No.1420/2014/CE1 Dated: 12.08.2014

Sir,

**Sub: Co-operative Elections – Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election Commission – Reporting of Casual Vacancies of Board of Directors – Instructions – Issued.**

Ref : Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election  
Commission's letter Rc.No.4023/2013/CE1, Dated :  
22.7.2013.

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As per the instructions issued in the letter cited, the State Election Officers are reporting about Casual Vacancies of Board of Directors and Office bearers in Co-operative Societies in the proforma communicated therein and on receipt of such reports, the Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election Commission is drawing up and communicating the election programme for conduct of election to fill up such casual vacancies. It is needless to say that casual vacancies mean, number of vacancies that have arisen after the constitution of a Board in a Co-operative Society for the reason stated in the letter cited. But recent analysis of reports received from some State Election Officers shows that even the full vacancies of a Board of a Co-operative Society has been shown as casual vacancies which is not correct. Full vacancy in a Board of a Co-operative Society may arise under the following circumstances:-

- 1) If No Nomination is received during the conduct of Election;-
  - 2) If the entire Board of Directors have resigned;
  - 3) If the Board of a Co-operative Society is superseded under section 88 of Tamil Nadu Co-operative Societies Act 1983;
  - 4) If an election to the Board of Directors of a Co-operative Society is set aside by a quasi-judicial or Judicial order.

2) In all such instances cited above, the vacancies that arise are not casual vacancies but full vacancies for the formatting of a new board and hence

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such full vacancies should not be clubbed with casual vacancies while reporting the vacancy position to the Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election Commission and should be reported separately.

3) In the circumstances explained above, the State Election Officers are requested to report about full vacancies of Board of Directors for the constitution of a new board with the reason for such vacancies separately without clubbing and including in the report of the casual vacancies. The casual vacancy position may be continued to be reported as instructed in the reference cited and in the proforma communicated therein as in being reported by the State Election Officers.

(Sd./-)  
**Commissioner**