

(xii) Industrial Society.

Provided that a society formed with the object of facilitating the operations of any particular class of societies shall be classified as a society of that class.

(1-a) The Registrar may further classify the societies falling under any of the heads specified in sub-section (1) under the following heads, namely:

- (a) Apex Society;
- (b) Central Society;
- (c) Primary Society.

(2) The Registrar for reasons to be recorded in writing may alter the classification of any society from one head to another.

(3) The decision of the Registrar in respect of classification of societies shall be final.

11. Amendment of bye-laws of society.-(1) No amendment of the bye-laws of a society shall be valid until the same has been registered under this Act, for which purpose four copies of the proposed amendment shall be forwarded in the prescribed manner to the Registrar.

(2) If the Registrar is satisfied that the proposed amendment is not contrary to this Act or the rules and is not against the aims and objects of the Society or any of its existing bye-laws he may register the amendment within thirty days of receipt of the proposed amendment.

(3) The Registrar shall not refuse to register an amendment of the byelaws without giving an opportunity to the applicant society, for being heard. If he decides to refuse to register an amendment, he shall communicate the order of refusal together with reasons therefor to the society within thirty days from the date of receipt of the proposal:

Provided that, where there is a failure on the part of the Registrar to dispose of such application within the period aforesaid, the Registrar shall, within a period of fifteen days from the date of expiration of that period, refer the application to the next higher officer and where the Registrar himself is the registering officer, to the State Government, who or which, as the case may be, shall dispose of the application within two months from the date of its receipt and on the failure of such higher officer or the State Government, as the case may be, to dispose of the application within that period, the amendment of the byelaws shall be deemed to have been registered:

Provided further that in the case of co-operative credit structure the provisions of the aforesaid proviso shall not be applicable.

12. Power to direct amendment of bye-laws.-(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, or the rules or byelaws, on the request of more than fifty per cent of the members of the society or if the Registrar considers that an amendment of the byelaws of society is necessary or desirable in the interest of such society, he may, by an order in writing to be served on the society in the prescribed manner, require the society to make the amendment within sixty days.

(2) If the society fails to make the amendment within the time specified by the Registrar, the Registrar may after giving the society an opportunity of being heard and after soliciting the opinion of such Apex