

30. M.P. Act 1 of 2002, w.e.f. 5.1.2002 (Applicable in Madhya Pradesh only);
31. C.G. Act 33 of 2002, w.e.f. 1.3.2002 (Applicable in Chhattisgarh only);
32. C.G. Ordinance 4 of 2003, w.e.f. 1.3.2003 (Applicable in Chhattisgarh only);
33. C.G. Act 20 of 2003, w.e.f. 9.9.2003 (Applicable in Chhattisgarh only); and
34. M.P. Act 34 of 2003, shall come into force on such date as the State Govt. may, by notification, appoint.(Applicable in Madhya Pradesh only).
35. MP. Bill No.10 of 2005 published in the Madhya Pradesh gazette dated 5th May 2005.
36. M.P. Act 23 of 2005 published in the Madhya Pradesh gazette dated 2nd Sept.2005.
37. Madhya Pradesh Ordinance No.6 of 2007 published in MP Gazette on 5th October having been assented by the Governor on 4th October.

**THE MADHYA PRADESH/CHHATTISGARH
CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1960
(No.17 of 1961)**

(Received the assent of the President on 28-4-1961, the assent first published in M.P. Gaz. on 12-5-1961)

(An Act to organize and develop co-operatives as democratic instruments and people's institutions based on self help, and mutual aid, and for curbing exploitation and ensuring socio-economic development of people with particular emphasis on weaker sections of society.)

Be it enacted by the Madhya Pradesh Legislature in the Eleventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

**CHAPTER I
PRELIMINARY**

1. Short title, extent and commencement.-(1) This Act may be called the Madhya Pradesh Co-operative Societies Act, 1960.

(2) It extends to the whole of Madhya Pradesh.

(3) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint.

2. Definitions.-In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,-

(a) "Additional Registrar" means an Additional Registrar of Co-operative Societies appointed under section 3;

(a-i) 'Apex Society' means a society whose principal object is to provide facilities for the operation of other societies affiliated to it and whose area of operation extends to the whole State of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) "Assistant Registrar" means an Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies appointed under section 3;

(b-i) "Area of operation" means the area from which the membership is drawn or as specified in the byelaws of the society;