

one month from the date of his election or appointment to such specified office resign from the specified office in all except one Apex Society and or one Central Society and or one Primary Society as the case may be.

(3) If any person required to resign under sub-section (2), fails to resign within the period specified therein, then at the expiration of such period he shall be deemed to have resigned from the specified office in all except one Apex Society & one Central Society and one Primary Society, as the case may be, in which he was already holding the specified office prior to such subsequent election or appointment to specified office in other Apex or Central or Primary Society.

(4) No person shall be eligible to be elected as President or Chairman or as representative in other society if he is a Member of Parliament or Member of Legislative Assembly or holds any post in District Panchayat, Janpad Panchayat, Urban Local Bodies, Mandi Board or Mandi Committee.

(5) No person shall be eligible to be elected or appointed to any specified office in a society, and shall cease to hold his office as such, if he has, including the period of his Co-option or appointment or both, held specified office in the society for two consecutive terms or for a continuous period of eleven years, whichever is less:

Provided that a person shall not be re-elected or re-appointed to such specified office till a period equal to one full term has expired.

48-AA. Disqualification for membership of Board of Directors and for representation. No person shall be eligible for election as a member of the Board of Directors of a society, and shall cease to hold his office as such, if he suffers from such disqualification as may be prescribed, and no society shall elect any member as its representative to the Board of Directors of any other society or to represent the society in other society, if he suffers from such disqualification as may be prescribed :

Provided that, if a member suffers from any of the disqualifications prescribed under this section,-

(i) it shall be lawful for the Board of Directors of the society to disqualify such member where he is elected as a Director, being a member of that society, after giving him a reasonable opportunity of being heard, within two months from the date of coming to the notice of the society, from holding the post.

(ii) if, the member incurs a disqualification in the higher level society, for his actions as a representative, such higher level society shall take action to disqualify him for holding the post in the higher level society, and if the society fails to take action, the Registrar shall disqualify such member from holding such post by an order in writing, after giving him reasonable opportunity of being heard.

Explanation.-For the purpose of this section, the expression “disqualification” shall not include the disqualification specified in Section 50-A for election as a member of the Board of Directors or a representative of a society.

**48-B. Representatives and delegates.**-(1) Every committee of society shall at the time of election of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, also elect representative who shall represent it in other society and the representative so elected shall not be withdrawn by the Committee till the next election of the committee.

(2)(a) In a society where not less than half of the members belong to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, the representative shall be only from amongst the members belonging to such castes or tribes; and