

**THE ORISSA CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES  
(AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1979**

*Promulgated by the Governor on the 24th January 1979, published  
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AN  
ORDINANCE

TO AMEND THE ORISSA CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES ACT, 1962

WHEREAS the Legislature of the State of Orissa is not in session;

AND WHEREAS the Governor is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action to amend the Orissa Co-operative Societies Act, 1962;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Article 213 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Orissa is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance in the Twenty-ninth Year of the Republic of India:—

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Orissa Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Ordinance, 1979.  
(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. In section 28 of the Orissa Co-operative Societies Act, 1962, in sub-section (2), in the proviso, for Explanation I to clause (d) the following Explanation shall be substituted, namely:—

*“Explanation I—‘Small farmer’ means a person who owns not more than five acres of unirrigated land or two and a half acres of irrigated land.”*

**B. D. SHARMA**  
GOVERNOR OF ORISSA

*Dated the 24th January 1979*