

## ORISSA ACT 4 OF 1967

**THE ORISSA GRAMA PANCHAYAT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1967**

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## AN ACT TO AMEND THE ORISSA GRAMA PANCHAYAT ACT, 1964

**BE** it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Orissa in the Eighteenth Year of the Republic of India, as follows:—

Short title.

\*1. This Act may be called the Orissa Grama Panchayat (Amendment) Act, 1967.

Amendment  
of section 17,  
Orissa Act 1  
of 1965.

2. In section 17 of the Orissa Grama Panchayat Act, 1964 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) after the existing proviso to sub-section (2) the following new proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

Orissa  
Act 1 of  
1965.

“Provided further that—

- (a) notwithstanding anything contained in any other provision of this Act, if at any time, the State Government, either on petition filed in that behalf or upon their own motion, are satisfied that the holding of a free and fair general election is likely to be hampered due to the activities of all or any of the Grama Panchayats, they may, in the general interest of the public, by notification, reduce the term of such Panchayat or Panchayats as extended under the preceding proviso by such period as they deem fit and thereupon the Panchayat or Panchayats as aforesaid shall cease to hold office ;
- (b) no such notification shall be issued more than two months prior to the holding of the general election ;
- (c) nothing contained in sub-section (3) shall apply in relation to a Grama Panchayat in respect of which a notification has been issued under clause (a); and
- (d) during the period beginning with the date of such notification and until the reconstitution of the Grama Panchayat all or any of the powers and duties of the Grama Panchayat and its Sarpanch shall be exercised and discharged in such manner and to such extent as the State Government may determine by such person as they may appoint in that behalf.”

Amendment  
of section  
25, Orissa  
Act 1 of  
1965.

3. In section 25 of the principal Act—

(a) in sub-section (1) for clause (l) the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

“(l) being a member of a Co-operative Society, has failed to pay any arrears of any kind accrued due by him to such society before filing of the nomination paper in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the rules made thereunder:

Provided that in respect of such arrears a bill or a notice has been duly served upon him and the time, if any, specified therein has expired; or"

(b) in sub-section (2) for clause (d) the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

"(d) being a member of a Co-operative Society, has failed to pay any arrears of any kind accrued due by him to such society within six months after a notice in this behalf has been served upon him by the society."