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## Provincial Councils Notifications

### SOUTHERN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

FINALIZING the liquidations of Co-operative societies under the Co-operative Societies Act, No. 05 of 1972 as amended by the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, No. 32 of 1983 and Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, No. 11 of 1992 in terms of the Provincial Council (Consequential provisions) Act, No. 12 of 1989.

General Public is hereby notified in terms of the Section 57(2) of the Co-operative Societies Act, No. 05 of 1972 as amended by the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act No. 32 of 1983 and Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, No. 11 of 1992 in terms of the Provincial Council (Consequential provisions) Act No. 12 of 1989 that the liquidations of the below mentioned Co-operative societies have already been finalized in the dates mentioned ahead to each society's name.

<i>Serial No.</i>	<i>Prior Registration No.</i>	<i>Name of the Society</i>	<i>Date Cancelled</i>	<i>District</i>
01.	G.1203	Multipurpose Co-operative Society Ltd. – Elpitiya.	28.04.2016	Galle
02.	G/1223	Thrift and Credit Co-operative Society Ltd, Andurannawila.	13.07.2016	Galle
03.	G.1937	Regional Development Co-operative Society Ltd., Ambalangoda Electorate	28.04.2016	Galle
04.	G/1958	Regional Development Co-operative Society Ltd, Bentara-Elpitiya Electorate	25.06.2018	Galle
05.	MR/570	Thrift and Credit Co-operative Society Ltd, Wahala Kananke	23.01.2018	Matara
06.	MR/736	Fisheries Co-operative Society Ltd, Beliwatta	31.01.2018	Matara
07.	SP/H/13	Handloom coir string knitters" Co-operative Society Ltd, Pahala Beligalla.	21.08.2018	Hambantota

Commissioner of Co-operative Development/Registrar  
Southern Province.

21st November, 2018.  
 Department of Co-operative Development,  
 Southern Province,  
 No. 147, Pettigalawatta, Galle.

## By -Laws

### LOCAL AUTHORITIES (STANDARD BY-LAWS) ACT, No. 06 OF 1952

THE draft By-laws stated below and made by me, the minister in charge of the subject of Local Authorities of the Provincial Council of the North Western Province under the Section two of the Local Authorities (Standard By-Laws) Act No. 06 of 1952, which should be read in conjunction with Provincial Councils (Consequential Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 1989 are hereby published.

The powers are vested in the Pradeshiya Sabha by section 122 that should be read in conjunction with section 126 of the Pradeshiya Sabha Act, No. 15 of 1987 for the legislation of By-laws that contain Provisions included in the said Draft By-laws and the powers related to the acceptance of the By-laws for all the Pradeshiya Sabhas in the North Western Province subject to the Provisions stipulated in the aforementioned Section 2.

ATHULA WIJESINGHE,  
Chief Minister and Minister in Charge of Local  
Administration,  
North Western Province

#### By-laws on the Public Libraries of Pradeshiya Sabhas

##### 1. Objectives

Provision of services of Public Library has been initiated and maintained by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha for the provisions of resources and services that consist of various media in order to fulfil educational information and personal development as well as creative and recreational needs of people and social groups residing within the jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha and these By-laws are imposed to provide relevant Provisions for that purpose.

##### 2. The public Libraries of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha consist of the following sections and Services as per the requirements of the people residing in the area.

- I. Lending Section
- II. Reference Section
- III. Children's Section
- IV. Periodicals Section and Newspaper Section
- V. Audio Visual and information Communication Technology Section
- VI. Studies Section
- VII. Books preservation Section
- VIII. Rare Books Section
- IX. Special Collections and Regional Collections
- X. Information Science and Documentation Services Section
- XI. Library Services for disabled hospital and prison community
- XII. Photocopy Services
- XIII. Community Information Services
- XIV. Extension Services (Mobile and Branch library Exhibitions, Film shows, lectures etc.)
- XV. Other Information Services

##### 3. There should be a Librarian in every Public Library of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha and the person so appointed should be answerable to the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha on the regulation of the Organization and the Management of the Library.

- i. The Community Development Officer should report to the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha on the regulation of the Organization and the Management of the Public Library.

4. A Library Advisory Committee hereinafter referred to as "Committee" should be appointed to consult and guide the Bingiriya Public Library Service.

- i. The Committee is appointed annually by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha and it shall consist of the following persons.
  - (a) Chairman
  - (b) Members not less than three persons from among the members of the Council so as to include one member from one group representing all the groups.
  - (c) One representative for each religion to represent religious beliefs of the people residing in the jurisdiction of the Council.
  - (d) Four chieftains living in the area
  - (e) Secretary of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha
  - (f) Community Development Officer
  - (g) Librarians of all the libraries of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha.
  - (h) Representative of a Community Board of the Jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha.
  - (i) A Principal of a School in the Jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha.
- ii. The number of members in the Committee should not exceed 23.
- iii. The chairman shall be the ex-officio Chairman of the Library Advisory Committee and he shall preside at every meeting of the Committee and where the Chairman fails to be present at any such meeting, a member elected from among the members present at such meeting shall preside at such meeting.
- iv. The Community Development Officer shall be the Secretary of the Committee.

5. The quorum :

- (a) The quorum for any meeting of such committee shall be one second of the number of members of the Committee.
- (b) The person presiding at any meeting shall have the right to vote at any such meeting and in the event number of votes for and against is equal in relation to a certain issue, the Chairman shall have a casting vote too.

6. (i) Membership :

- (i) A person shall have the following qualifications to obtain the membership of the Bingiriya Library.
- (ii) The person should be more than 12 years in age for obtaining the general membership and should be less than 12 years in age for obtaining the children's membership : and
- (iii) A resident or a person obtaining education or a property owner or an employee within the jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha.

ii. Membership Fees :

A fee of Rs. 50.00 shall be paid at the commencement of the membership and the membership shall be renewed by paying Rs. 30 per year. The Fee for Child members is half of the fee. However, the Membership fees may be specified by a resolution passed by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha from time to time as per the recommendation of the Committee.

iii. Guarantors :

- (i) A payer of an assessment tax within the jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha or a permanent officer of the Public Service/Provincial Public Service should be introduced as a guarantor.

- (ii) When child readers and school students are applying for the membership, mother/ father/guardian/ principal/class teacher should certify the application for the membership.
- (iii) The certificate issued by the Grama Niladhari should be submitted for permanent residence.

iv. Obtaining the Membership :

- (i) Every person who is willing to obtain library services of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha should apply for membership by paying a fee prescribed by a resolution passed by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha from time to time and by obtaining an application from the librarian and the application should be certified by a person mentioned below :
  1. Grama Niladhari of the residing area,
  2. A religious priest,
  3. Justice if Peace,
  4. Staff Officer of the Public Service or Provincial Public Service,
  5. A member of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha,
  6. Certificate of the teacher in charge of the class or principal in case the applicant is a school student.
  7. The member shall be responsible for each book he obtains from the library under the card issued to him. The number of membership cards to be issued to every member should be determined on a resolution passed by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha from time to time on the recommendation made by the Library Advisory Committee.
  8. A book taken by a member of the Lending Section shall be returned to the librarian within fourteen (14) from the date of issuing the book. If any other member has not requested for the same book and the member who was issued with the book requested it for another time, permission may be granted by the librarian to the member to lend the book for another fourteen (14) days.
  9. Where a member defaults to return a book taken from the Lending Section within the period of 14 days stipulated in the By-law 8, the member is subject to pay a fine of Rs. 1.00 each and 50 cents each for child readers for one day that exceeds the date of returning the book to the library or to pay a certain amount as fines specified by a resolution passed by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha from time to time on the recommendation of the Committee.
  10. Fines are charged as mentioned below for a book obtained by a member from the lending library subsequent to exceeding the duration of 14 days stipulated in the By-laws 8.

Rs. 1.00 each for a book per day for 1-30 days.  
Rs. 40.00 each for a book 31-90 days.  
Rs. 80.00 each for a book for 91-180 days.  
Rs. 100.00 each for a book for more than 180 days

However, a half of the late fee mentioned in the By-law 10 should be levied in case the member is a child reader.

- 11. When a book issued to a member is considered lost, such member shall pay the value of the book, binding cost and cost of replacement of such book and the fine stipulated in the by-laws 10. The Librarian should determine the charges to be levied based on the standard methods and recommendations of the Advisory Committee.
- 12. No member shall damage or disfigure a book taken from the lending section of the library.

13. Every member should inform the librarian regarding any damage happened to a book obtained from the lending section of the library. If any member fails to inform such a damage or disfiguration to the librarian, it is deemed that book has been issued to the member without any damage or disfiguration.
14. Where the librarian is satisfied that a book returned by any member has been damaged or disfigured to such an extent that it cannot be issued again to another, such member shall be bound to bear the contemporary cost of replacement of such book. After replacement of such book, the damaged or disfigured book shall be returned to the member with the endorsement "the public library has sold this as a damaged book". The accession number of the lost book should be given to the book that is replaced so. If it is not possible to replace, action should be taken in terms of the 11th By-law considering it as a lost book.
15. (i) No member shall alienate a book taken from the Lending Section.  
 (ii) A member who violates the Provisions stipulated in the First Para of these By-laws will be disentitled to his/her membership fee and overall lending library membership of the relevant member will also be abolished.
16. (i) No person shall return a book which he knows, has been used by a person suffering from any infectious or contagious disease, to the Lending Section and the member shall immediately notify the incident to the librarian and he/she should act according to the instructions and directives given by the Librarian in relation to the book.  
 (ii) When a book obtained by a member from the library has been used by a person suffering from any infectious or contagious disease, such book has to be destroyed; and  
 (iii) Such member shall pay the replacement cost of such book to the librarian.
17. Where there is a difference of opinion as to which member between two or among more members of the lending section a particular book should be issued, the dispute shall be resolved by the librarian.
18. When any book or a library material in the lending section of the library is requested by a certain member, it should be issued. In case the said book has already been issued, the librarian should take action to mark the name/names of the member/members requested the book in a waiting list and provide the library materials subsequent to receiving such materials to the library.
19. The Library should be kept open for readers for the number of hours on the prescribed days as per the standards of the National Library and Documentation Services Board. However, the days and times of opening the library can be decided in accordance with the discretion of the Council due to a specific reason.
20. Reference Section:
  - (i) The books kept in the reference section should be used after signing the register kept in the Reference Section with the permission of the Librarian.
  - (ii) Any library material issued for the member for reading should not be carried outside the Reference Section. However, a person who request photocopies should be allowed to obtain photocopies of the required pages of a publication by paying the prescribed charges under the approval and custodianship of the Librarian in case a photocopy service is in operation.
21. The reading Hall should be kept open from 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on every day of the week or on times and days decided by the Pradeshiya Sabha on the Recommendation made by the Committee. Any person is permitted to obtain services of the Reading Hall after mentioning the name and time of arrival and signing the register kept in the reading hall.

22. No person shall destroy or remove any newspaper, periodical, magazine, map or any other library material kept in the Reading Hall.
23. No person shall –
  - (i) Conduct himself in such a way in the library premises or in its vicinity so as to cause a nuisance to any person;
  - (ii) Cause loss or damage to or disfigure in any manner the library or the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha building situated in close proximity or any part of the library or the Pradeshiya Sabha building;
  - (iii) Mark time in the library or in its surroundings having no acceptable reason for his presence therein after the library is closed to the public;
  - (iv) smoke within the library premises;
  - (v) disturb the users of the library by shouting, singing or making any other loud noises;
  - (vi) bring any animal in to the library;
  - (vii) sleep or take meals within any part of the library;
  - (viii) Obstruct the librarian or any person acting on his directions from exercising the powers conferred on him under these by-laws.
  - (ix) Shooting , broadcasting sounds and recording inside the library without obtaining permission is not allowed and shall not obstruct the librarian in exercising the powers conferred in him/ her under these by-laws.
  - (x) It is prohibited to bring mobile phones, cameras and lighters inside the library. The Librarian reserves the power of removing any person out of the library premises who does not function in compliance with these By-laws.
24. A fee decided by the Pradeshiya Sabha on the recommendation of the Committee can be charged from persons who are not members of the library for using the Reference Section and the other sections except the Lending Section.
25. Annual verification of Goods : - Conducting an Annual Verification of Goods for libraries in every year is the responsibility of the Secretary of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha. The reports on Annual Verification of Goods should be submitted to the Pradeshiya Sabha. The recommendations passed by the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha should be executed within three months from the date of passing the resolution in the Pradeshiya Sabha.
26. Extension Services – The Pradeshiya Sabha has to facilitate the conduct of Lectures, Seminars, workshops and the other extension services.
27. In case any non-governmental institution/organization conducts any library/ library services within the jurisdiction of Local Governmental Body, the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha, the institution/ organization has to obtain the prior approval of the relevant Local Governmental Body, viz, the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha. (This Provision is not effective for school libraries, Piriven Libraries and libraries in religious places.)
28. Provisions may be made to impose a punishment with an additional penalty not more than two hundred and fifty rupees and disentitlement of the membership for each day of continuing the breach further after imposing a penalty not more than seven hundred and fifty rupees for doing a certain act or an omission in order to establish the breach pertaining to the breach of these by laws and upon conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction be liable to any punishment or subsequent to submitting a written notice by the Chairman or any Authorized Officer of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha by paying attention on such breach of By-laws.

**In these by-laws, unless the context otherwise requires;**

"Librarian" means the major officer who is functioning in charge of the Public Library of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha belonging to the Library Service, appointed by the Provincial Public Service Commission of the North Western Province.

"Community Development Officer" means the staff Officer appointed by the Commissioner of Local Government for Community developmental activities of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha.

"Library Resources" means written, printed, audio, visual media and electric media.

"Sabha" means the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha

"The Committee" means the Library Advisory Committee.

"Chieftains" means educated and intelligent persons residing in the jurisdiction of the Bingiriya Pradeshiya Sabha who accomplish distinguishable and outstanding social service.

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