

L. A. BILL No. VI OF 2022.

A BILL

further to amend the Maharashtra Village Panchayats Act and the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, 1961.

(As passed by the Legislative Assembly with Amendments on the 7th March 2022.)

(As passed by the Legislative Council on the 7th March 2022.)

III of Whereas, it is expedient further to amend the Maharashtra Village
1959. Panchayats Act and the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis
Mah. V Act, 1961, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; it is hereby enacted in the
of 1962. Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY.

Short title. **1.** This Act may be called the Maharashtra Village Panchayats and Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Act, 2022.

CHAPTER II

AMENDMENT TO THE MAHARASHTRA VILLAGE PANCHAYATS ACT.

Amendment of section 10 of III of 1959. **2.** In section 10 of the Maharashtra Village Panchayats Act, in sub-section (1), in clause (b), for the words “State Election Commission or an officer authorised by it ” the words “ State Government or an officer authorised by it, with the approval of the State Election Commission ” shall be substituted. III of 1959.

CHAPTER III

AMENDMENTS TO THE MAHARASHTRA ZILLA PARISHADS AND PANCHAYAT SAMITIS ACT, 1961.

Amendment of section 9 of Mah. V of 1962. **3.** In section 9 of the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as “the Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act ”), in sub-section (1), in clause (a), for the words “ State Election Commission ” the words “State Government” shall be substituted. Mah. V of 1962.

Amendment of section 12 of Mah. V of 1962. **4.** In section 12 of the Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, in sub-section (1), for the words “State Election Commission ” the words “ State Government or an officer authorized by it, with the approval of the State Election Commission ” shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 58 of Mah. V of 1962. **5.** In section 58 of the Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, in sub-section (1), in clause (a), for the words “ State Election Commission ” the words “ State Government or an officer authorized by it, with the approval of the State Election Commission ” shall be substituted.

CHAPTER IV

MISCELLANEOUS.

- III of 1959. **6.** Notwithstanding anything contained in the Maharashtra Village Panchayats Act and the Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act and the rules made thereunder, where the process,—
- Annulment of division of wards, electoral divisions and electoral colleges.
- (i) to divide a village into wards and to determine number of members of Panchayat to be elected from each ward ;
- (ii) to divide a district into electoral divisions and to determine the number of councillors to be elected from each electoral division, or
- (iii) to divide an electoral division into electoral colleges,
- Mah. of 2022. is started or completed by the State Election Commission, before the date of commencement of the Maharashtra Village Panchayats and Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Act, 2022, such process shall be deemed to be annulled; and the process to divide the wards, electoral divisions or electoral colleges and determination of number of members of panchayat or councillors of Zilla Parishads to be elected from each ward or electoral division shall be done afresh according to the provisions of the Maharashtra Village Panchayats Act and the Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, as amended by this Act.
- III of 1959.

**MAHARASHTRA LEGISLATURE
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Minister for Rural Development.]

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