

L. A. BILL No. XVI OF 2022.

A BILL

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

(As passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 23rd August, 2022.)

(As passed by the Legislative Council on the 25th August, 2022.)

WHEREAS both Houses of the State Legislature were not in session ;

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Maharashtra was satisfied that circumstances existed which rendered it necessary for him to take immediate action further to amend the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, 1961, for the purposes hereinafter appearing, and, therefore, promulgated the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022 on the 14th July 2022 ;

Mah. V
of 1962.

Mah.
Ord. III
of 2022.

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to replace the said Ordinance by an Act of the State Legislature; it is hereby enacted in the Seventy-third Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

Short title and commencement. **1.** (1) This Act may be called the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Act, 2022.
(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 14th July 2022.

Amendment of section 43 of Mah. V of 1962. **2.** In section 43 of the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”), to sub-section (1), the following provisos shall be added, namely :—

“Provided that, the term of office of the President or Vice-President in office, on the date of commencement of the Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Act, 2022, may be extended upto three months by the State Government by an order published in the *Official Gazette* : Mah. of 2022.

Provided further that, notwithstanding anything contained in the above proviso, the term of office of the President or Vice-President shall be co-terminus with the terms of offices of elected Councillors as provided in section 10.”.

Power to remove difficulty. **3.** (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of the principal Act, as amended by this Act, the State Government may, as occasion arises, by an order published in the *Official Gazette*, do anything not inconsistent with the provisions of the principal Act, as amended by this Act, which appears to it to be necessary or expedient for the purposes of removing the difficulty :

Provided that, no such order shall be made after expiry of a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be, after it is made, before each House of the State Legislature.

Repeal of Mah. Ord. III of 2022 and saving. **4.** (1) The Maharashtra Zilla Parishads and Panchayat Samitis (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022 is hereby repealed. Mah. Ord. III of 2022.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken (including any notification or order issued) under the corresponding provisions, of the principal Act, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done, taken or issued, as the case may be, under the corresponding provisions of said Act, as amended by this Act.

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**[SHRI EKNATH SAMBHAJI SHINDE,
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**RAJENDRA BHAGWAT,
Principal Secretary,
Maharashtra Legislative Council.**