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PART I: SECTION (I) — GENERAL

Government Notifications

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THE PUBLIC SECURITY ORDINANCE (CHAPTER 40)

REGULATIONS made by the President under section 5 of the Public Security Ordinance, upon the recommendation of the Prime Minister.

W. GOPALLAWA,
President.

President's Office,
Colombo, December 17, 1976.

Regulations

1. These regulations may be cited as the Emergency (Co-operative Authorities) Regulations.
2. These regulations shall have effect notwithstanding anything in the Co-operative Societies Law, No. 5 of 1972, or any other written law.
3. For each such Area as may be specified by the Minister by Notification published in the *Gazette*, there shall be established a Co-operative Authority (hereinafter referred to as the "Authority") which shall be a body corporate consisting of not more than five members appointed by the Minister. One of such members shall be appointed by the Minister as the President of the Authority.
4. The Minister may give the Authority general or special directions in writing as to the exercise of the powers of the Authority and as to the regulation of the procedure in regard to meetings of the Authority, the quorum therefor and the transaction of business at such meetings. The Authority shall give effect to every such direction.
5. The Authority shall have the following powers :—
 - (a) to issue instructions or directions to the Board of Directors of any co-operative society registered or deemed to be registered under the Co-operative Societies Law, No. 5 of 1972, and situated in the Area for which the Authority has been established, in respect of any activity of such society, the management of such society, the disbursement of the finances of such society or the recruitment, appointment, promotion, transfer and termination of services of the employees of such society ;
 - (b) to direct the Board of Directors of any such co-operative society to furnish to the Authority in such form as the Authority may determine, returns, accounts, or other information with respect to the property or business of such society ;
 - (c) to take over the conduct and management of any activity of any such society or to make alternate arrangements for the conduct and management of such activity ;
 - (d) to remove any member or all the members of the Board of Directors of any such co-operative society without assigning reasons therefor and to appoint any person in place of a member who has been removed from office, and where all the members of the Board of Directors have been removed, to make suitable alternate arrangements for the management of such society ; and
 - (e) to redefine the area of operation of any such society.

6. (1) It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors of any co-operative society to which any instructions or direction is issued under regulation 5, to comply with and give effect to such instruction or direction.

(2) A member of the Board of Directors of any co-operative society who has been removed from office by the Authority under regulation 5 shall vacate his office with effect from the date of such removal.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in any other written law, any act or thing done, by the Authority in the exercise of the powers vested in it under regulation 5, or by the Board of Directors of any co-operative society for the purpose of complying with or giving effect to any instruction or direction issued by the Authority, shall be valid and effectual and shall not be called in question in any court or tribunal.