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प्राधिकृत प्रकाशन

महाराष्ट्र विधानमंडळाचे अधिनियम व राज्यपालांनी प्रख्यापित केलेले अध्यादेश व केलेले विनियम आणि
विधि व न्याय विभागाकडून आलेली विधेयके (इंग्रजी अनुवाद).

In pursuance of clause (3) of article 348 of the Constitution of India, the following translation in English of the Maharashtra Contingency Fund (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 (Mah. Ord. VI of 2020), is hereby published under the authority of the Governor.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

RAJESH LADDHA,

Principal Secretary and Remembrancer of
Legal Affairs to Government,
Law and Judiciary Department.

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Madam Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032, dated the 20th February 2020.

MAHARASHTRA ORDINANCE No. VI OF 2020.

AN ORDINANCE

further to amend the Maharashtra Contingency Fund Act.

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

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Maharashtra is satisfied that
circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate

XLVI of action further to amend the Maharashtra Contingency Fund Act, for the
1956. purposes hereinafter appearing ;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 213 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Maharashtra is hereby pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance, namely :—

Short title
and
commence-
ment.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Maharashtra Contingency Fund (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

Temporary
amendment
of section 2 of
XLVI of 1956.

2. During the period of operation of this Ordinance, the Maharashtra Contingency Fund Act shall have effect as if, in section 2 thereof, for the words “a sum of one hundred fifty crores of rupees” the words “a sum of ten thousand one hundred fifty crores of rupees” had been substituted. XLVI of 1956.

STATEMENT

The Corpus of the Contingency Fund of the State established and maintained under the Maharashtra Contingency Fund Act (XLVI of 1956) is rupees one hundred fifty crores.

2. During the period 2015-16 to 2018-19 due to unseasonal rains and drought like situation in some parts of the State, farmers suffered huge losses and were unable to repay their loans in time. Therefore, the Government has, *vide* Government Resolution, Co-operation, Marketing and Textiles Department, No. Krukarma 1219/C.R. 157/2-C, dated the 27th December, 2019 declared "the Mahatma Jotirao Phule Shetkari Karja Mukti Yojna, 2019" for giving benefit to loan waiver to the farmers upto rupees two lakhs and enable them to avail fresh short term crop loans for the Khariff season 2020.

3. In the State around 39 lakh farmers are eligible for the loan waiver. For the said Scheme, approximately rupees 29,716 crore are required. The said Scheme will be in operation from 22nd February 2020 and till 5th March 2020, for the purpose, an amount of rupees 10,000 crore is required.

4. The nature of this expenditure is unforeseen; hence the necessary budgetary provision is not available. These items of expenditure would constitute "New Services" and therefore, they are required to be brought to the notice of the State Legislature. The ensuing session of the State Legislature is scheduled to commence on the 24th February 2020. Necessary orders for making available funds for the above mentioned purposes can be issued only after the expenditure on these "New Services" is brought to the notice of the State Legislature, by way of Supplementary Demand and an Appropriation Bill, passed by both Houses of the State Legislature, is published as an Act of the State Legislature. However, as the expenditure for these items is required to be incurred immediately, it has been decided to incur the expenditure by the way of withdrawal of advances from the Contingency Fund.

5. The present corpus of the Contingency Fund is only rupees one hundred fifty crores. At present, the available balance is inadequate for meeting the expenditure on the abovementioned items and for other unforeseen and immediate items of expenditure, which would be required to be met from Contingency Fund. It is, therefore, considered expedient to temporarily increase the existing corpus by rupees ten thousand crores, to make the corpus of the Contingency Fund of rupees ten thousand one hundred fifty crores, so as to meet the expenditure, as aforesaid.

6. As both Houses of State Legislature are not in Session and the Governor of Maharashtra is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action further to amend the Maharashtra Contingency Fund Act (XLVI of 1956), for the purposes aforesaid, this Ordinance is promulgated.

Mumbai,
Dated the 19th February 2020.

BHAGAT SINGH KOSHYARI,
Governor of Maharashtra.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

MANOJ SAUNIK,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.