The Goa Agricultural Produce Marketing (Development and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Goa Act 26 of 2016), which has been passed by the Legislative Assembly of Goa on 9-8-2016 and assented to by the Governor of Goa on 27-9-2016, is hereby published for general information of the public.

Sharad G. Marathe, Joint Secretary (Law).
Porvorim, 3rd October, 2016.

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further to amend the Goa Agricultural Produce Marketing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007 (Goa Act 11 of 2007).

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Goa in the Sixty-seventh Year of the Republic of India, as follows:—

1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be called the Goa Agricultural Produce Marketing (Development and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of section 12.— In section 12 of the Goa Agricultural Produce Marketing (Development and Regulation) Act, 2007 (Goa Act 11 of 2007) (hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act"),—

(i) in sub-section (1),—

(a) for the word “twenty-one”, the word “twenty-three” shall be substituted;

(b) for clauses (f) and (g), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:—

“(f) two cashew grower members, one each from the North Goa District and the South Goa District, to be elected by the cashew growers of the respective District from amongst themselves;

(g) one horticulturist/floriculturist member, to be elected, by rotation, by
the horticulturists/floriculturists of the State of Goa;”;

(ii) after clause (g), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(h) the Secretary of the Marketing Board, to function during the term of the Marketing Board.”;

(iii) in sub-section (2), after the existing proviso, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

“provided further that where the number of members of the Marketing Board is increased within one year preceding the date on which the term of other existing members of the Marketing Board expires, the Government may nominate a person from the respective category, to such office.”.

3. Substitution of section 19.— For section 19 of the principal Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

“19. Casual vacancies.— Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 13, in the event of any vacancy on the Marketing Board occurring on account of death, resignation or removal of a member or otherwise, the Chairman shall forthwith communicate the occurrence of such vacancy to the Government and such vacancy shall be filled by the Government by appointing a person from the respective category thereto, who shall hold office so long as the member in whose place he is appointed would have held it, if the vacancy had not occurred:

Provided that the person so appointed by the Government shall hold such office during the pleasure of the Government:

Provided further that, if the vacancy occurs within six months preceding the date on which the term of office of the member expires, such vacancy shall not be filled:

Provided also that, where there are vacancies on the Marketing Board in excess of one third of total number of members, the remaining members shall call upon the Registrar to hold the election to fill such vacancies for remaining period.”.

4. Amendment of section 20.— In section 20 of the principal Act, for the expression “clauses (a), (b) and (d)”, the expression “clauses (a), (b), (d), (f) and (g)” shall be substituted.

Secretariat, Porvorim-Goa. Secretary to the Government of Goa, Law Department (Legal Affairs).

Dated: 3-10-2016.