

THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD ACT, 1948
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as amended by the
Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 2006
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*An Act to provide for the development, under Central control, of the ¹[**] silk industry and for that purpose to establish a Central Silk Board.*

WHEREAS, it is expedient to provide for the development under Central Control of the ¹[**] silk industry and for that purpose to establish a Central Silk Board;

It is hereby enacted as follows:

- 1. Short title and extent:** (1) This Act may be called the Central Silk Board Act, 1948.

²[(2) It extends to the whole of India ³[*****]].

- ⁴[2. Declaration as to expediency of Union Control:** It is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that the Union should take under its control the silk industry.]

- 3. Definitions:** In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context

(a) **“Board”** means the Central Silk Board constituted under this Act;

⁵[(aa) **“Central Silk-worm Seed Testing Laboratory”** means the Central Seed Testing Laboratory established or accredited under sub-section (1) of Section 8G;]

(b) **“Charkha raw silk”** means raw silk reeled from silkworm cocoons with the help of any instrument not worked by power;

¹ The word ‘raw’ omitted by the (Amendment) Act (XXXI of 1953), with effect from 25th March, 1954.

² Substituted for old sub-section (2), by A.L.O., 1950.

³ Words “except the State of Jammu & Kashmir” omitted by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act (21 of 1970) S.2 (23.5.1970).

⁴ Substituted for former S.2 by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953 (31 of 1953) S.3 (25.3.1954).

⁵ Inserted by (Amendment) Act, 2006 (42 of 2006) w.e.f.14.9.2006.

- ¹[(ba) **“Committee”** means the Central Silk-worm Seed Committee constituted under sub-section (1) of section 8A;
- (bb) **“Dealer”** means a person who carries on the business of buying & selling, export or import of silk-worm seed, cocoons, chawki reared silk-worms and includes an agent of a dealer;
- (bc) **“Export”** means taking out of India to a place outside India;]
- (c) **“Filature raw silk”** means raw silk reeled from silkworm cocoons with the help of any instrument worked by power;
- ¹[(ca) **“Hybrid Authorisation Committee”** means the Hybrid Authorisation committee constituted under sub-section (1) of Section 8D;
- (cb) **“Import”** means bringing into India from a place outside India;
- (cc) **“Notified kind or variety”** in relation to silk-worm seed means, any kind or variety thereof notified under sub-section(1) of section 8C;]
- (d) **“Power”** means any form of energy which is mechanically transmitted and is not generated by human or animal agency, and includes electrical energy;
- (e) **“Prescribed”** means prescribed by rules made under this Act;
- ¹[(ea) **“Registration Committee”** means the Registration Committee constituted under sub-section (2) of section 8E;
- (eb) **“regulation”** means regulation made by the Committee under this Act;]

¹ Inserted by (Amendment) Act, 2006 (42 of 2006) w.e.f.14.9.2006.

¹[(ec) **“Silk-worm seed” or “seed”** means all kinds of silk-worm seeds produced from the pure silk-worm races including the hybrids produced from two or more pure races, silk-worm seed cocoons of all kinds and moths thereof intended to be used or reared for the purpose of production or for commercial exploitation.

Explanation: For the purpose of this clause,-

- (i) **“Pure races”** means silk-worm breed or variety maintained through reproductive silk-worm seed with features true to the parents;
- (ii) **“Hybrids”** means the seed produced involving two or more pure races or parental races with the objective of exploiting heterosis or hybrid vigour;
- (ed) **“Silk-worm Seed Analyst”** means a Seed Analyst appointed or notified under Sub-Section(3) of section 8G;
- (ee) **“Silk-worm Seed Certification Agency”** means the Silk-worm Seed Certification Agency constituted or accredited under Section 8F;
- (ef) **“Silk-worm Seed Officer”** means Seed Officer appointed or notified under sub-section (1) of section 8H;]
- (f) **“Spun silk”** means silk yarn spun from pierced or spoilt cocoons, fluff from cocoons, pieces of silk, noils or other silk waste;
- (g) **“Standing Committee”** means the Standing Committee of the Board constituted under sub-section (2) of Section 6.

4. Constitution of the Board:

- (1) As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, the Central Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, constitute for the purposes of this Act, a Board to be called the Central Silk Board.

¹ Inserted by (Amendment) Act, 2006 (42 of 2006) w.e.f.14.9.2006.

(2) The Board shall be a body corporate by the name aforesaid having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

¹[(3) The Board shall consist of the following members, namely:

(a) ²[Chairperson] to be appointed by the Central Government;

³[(b) not more than three officials to be nominated by the Central Government, one of whom shall be the head of the Silk Division in the Ministry of Textiles as the Vice-Chairperson and one shall be the Secretary of the Board, both being the officers not below the rank of Joint Secretary to the Government of India.]

(c) six persons to be elected by Parliament, four from the House of the People by the members of the House of the People and two from the Council of States by the members of the Council of States;

⁴[Provided that a Member of Parliament shall, upon ceasing to be a member of the House of the People or as the case may be, the Council of States, cease to be a member of the Board.]

(d) ⁵[five persons] to be nominated by the Government of Karnataka, one of whom shall represent the filature silk industry and two shall represent the rest of the sericulture industry;

(e) ⁵[one person] to be nominated by the Government of Tamil Nadu;

¹ Substituted by the (Amendment) Act (XXXI of 1953), with effect from 25th March, 1954.

² Substituted by (Amendment) Act 2006 (42 of 2006) w.e.f.14.09.2006. Throughout the principal Act, for the words "Chairman" or "Vice-Chairman", wherever they occur, the words "Chairperson" or "Vice-Chairperson" shall respectively be substituted.

³ Substituted by *ibid.*

⁴ Inserted by *ibid.*

⁵ Substituted by the Adaptation of Laws (No.3) Order, 1956.

- (f) two persons to be nominated by the Government of West Bengal;
 - ¹[(g) one person to be nominated by each of the Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand;]
 - (h) one person to be nominated by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir;
 - (i) not more than three persons to be nominated by the Central Government to represent the producers of raw silk and areas other than the States specified in clauses (d) to (g) inclusive;
 - (j) eight persons to be nominated by the Central Government, of whom one shall represent the spun-silk industry, one for the silk throwing and twisting industry, one for the silk weaving industry, one labour; and two of them shall be experts in sericulture.
- (4) The members of the Board shall receive from its funds such travelling and other allowances as may be prescribed.
- ²[(5) Subject to the other provisions of this Act, the term of office of a member shall be such period, not exceeding three years as may be prescribed.
- (6) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (5):
- a) the Central Government may terminate the appointment of the Chairperson after giving him notice for a period of not less than three months;
 - b) the ¹[Chairperson] may resign his office by giving notice in writing for a period of not less than three months to the Central Government, and on such resignation being notified in the official Gazette by that Government, the Chairperson shall be deemed to have vacated his office.]

¹ Substituted by (Amendment) Act 2006 (42 of 2006) w.e.f.14.09.2006.

² Inserted by the (Amendment) Act (13 of 1982).

¹[**4A. Disqualification for being nominated or appointed as a member of Board:** A person shall be disqualified for being nominated or appointed or for continuing as a member, if he

- (a) is not a citizen of India; or
- (b) has been convicted and sentenced to imprisonment for an offence which, in the opinion of the Central Government, involves moral turpitude; or
- (c) is an undischarged insolvent; or
- (d) has become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a member; or
- (e) has acquired such financial or other interest as is likely to affect prejudicially his function as a member.]

5. Power of the Central Government in default of nominations :

- (1) If any Government other than the Central Government fails to make any nomination which it is entitled to make under sub-section (3) of Section 4 within the time prescribed in that behalf, the Central Government may make the nomination itself.
- (2) Where a member of the Board dies, resigns, is removed, ceases to reside in India, or becomes incapable of acting, the authority or body entitled to nominate the member under sub-section (3) of section 4 may nominate a person to fill the vacancy: and where such nomination is not made within the time prescribed in that behalf, the Central Government on its own initiative, may make the nomination itself.
- (3) No act done by the Board shall be questioned on the ground merely of the existence of any vacancy in or defect in the constitution of, the Board.

¹ Inserted by the (Amendment) Act (13 of 1982).

6. ¹[Vice-Chairperson] and Standing Committee:

- (1) The ¹[Vice-Chairperson] shall exercise such of the powers and perform such of the duties of the ¹[Chairperson] as may be prescribed or as may be delegated to him by the ¹[Chairperson].
- (2) The Board may in its discretion, constitute a Standing Committee for the purpose of exercising such of its powers and performing such of its duties as may be delegated by it, not being powers or duties the delegation of which is prohibited by rules made under this Act.
- (3) The Standing Committee shall consist of the ¹[Chairperson], the ¹[Vice-Chairperson] and five others elected by the Board from among its members.

7. Secretary of the Board: ¹[The Secretary to the Board shall,] under the control and direction of the Board, exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed or as may be delegated to him by the Board or the ¹[Chairperson].

8. Functions of the Board:

- (1) It shall be the duty of the Board to promote the development of the ²[*] silk industry by such measures as it thinks fit.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision, the measures referred to therein may provide for –
 - (a) undertaking, assisting or encouraging scientific, technological and economic research;
 - (b) devising means for improved methods of mulberry cultivation, rearing, developing and distributing healthy silkworm seeds, ³[reeling or as the case may be spinning of silkworm cocoons and silk waste], improving the quality and production of raw silk, if necessary, by making it compulsory for all raw silk to be marketed only after the same has been tested and graded in properly equipped raw silk conditioning houses;

¹ Substituted by (Amendment) Act 42 of 2006 w.e.f.14.9.2006

² The word `raw` omitted by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953 (31 of 1953), S.6 (25.3.1954).

³ Substituted for "reeling of silkworm cocoons" ibid, (21 of 1970), S.3 (23.5.1970).

- (c) ¹[***]
 - (d) improving the marketing of raw silk;
 - (e) the collection of statistics from such persons as may be prescribed:
 - ²[(f) carrying out any other duties which may be vested in the board under rules made under this Act].
- (3) It shall be the duty of the Board –
- ²[(a) to advise the Central Government on all matters relating to production, supply, distribution, trade and commerce in silk-worm seed, the development of the silk industry and its products including export and import.]
 - (b) ¹[***]
 - (c) to prepare and furnish such ³[*] reports relating to the silk industry as may be required by the Central Government from time to time.

⁴[8A. Constitution of Central Silk-worm Seed Committee:

- (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, constitute for the purpose of this Act, a Committee to be called the Central Silk-worm Seed Committee consisting of-
- (a) the Vice-Chairperson of the Board who shall be the Chairperson of the Committee, ex- officio;
 - (b) (i) seven officials not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India dealing with sericulture from the States - members.
 - (ii) two experts from the field of silk-worm seed development - members;

¹ Clause (C) of sub-section (2), Clause (b) of sub-section (3) omitted by Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1970, S.3 (21 of 1970).

² Inserted by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953 (31 of 1953) S.6 (25.3.1954).

³ The word "other" omitted by Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1970, S.3 (21 of 1970).

⁴ New sections 8A – 8J inserted by Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act 42 of 2006, w.e.f.14.9.2006

- (iii) five persons to represent the sericulture sector of whom three shall be the farmers and two the reelers - members; to be nominated by the Central Government from amongst the members of the Board;
 - (c) the Director of the National Silk-worm Seed Organisation to be nominated by the Central Government – member; and
 - (d) Secretary of the Board who shall be the Secretary of the Committee, ex officio
- (2) The Committee may associate with it, for such purposes and in such manner as it may deem fit, any person whose assistance or advice it may consider necessary in complying with the provisions of this Act, and a person so associated, shall have the right to take part in the proceedings of the Committee relevant to the purposes for which he has been associated, but shall not have the right to vote and shall be entitled to receive such allowances or fees, as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
- (3) A member nominated under sub-section (1) shall, unless his seat becomes vacant earlier by resignation, death or otherwise, hold office for a period of three years from the date of his nomination and shall be eligible for re-nomination.

Provided that a person nominated under sub-section (1) shall hold office only for so long as he holds the appointment by virtue of which his nomination was made.
- (4) No act or proceeding of the Committee shall become invalid merely by reason of -
 - (i) any vacancy therein, or any defect in the constitution thereof; or
 - (ii) any matter relating to the procedure of the Committee not affecting the merits of a case.

- (5) The Central Government shall provide to the Committee such other technical and other officers and employees as may be necessary for the efficient performance of the functions under this Act.
- (6)
 - (a) The Committee shall meet at such time and place and shall observe such procedure in regard to transaction of business at its meeting (including the quorum at meetings) as may be specified by regulations.
 - (b) The Chairperson or in his absence any member chosen by the members present from amongst themselves, shall preside at a meeting of the Committee.
 - (c) All questions at a meeting of the Committee shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting and in case of equality of votes, the Chairperson or in his absence, the person presiding over the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

8B. Powers and functions of Committee:

- (1) The Committee shall be responsible for the implementation of this Act by taking measures as specified in sub-section (2).
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision, the measures referred to therein may provide for-
 - (i) laying down of quality standards for kind or variety of silk-worm seed;
 - (ii) authorisation of silk-worm races and hybrids for commercial exploitation;
 - (iii) laying down of quality standards for production of silk-worm seeds;
 - (iv) laying down the conditions and requirements that have to be met out by the persons desirous of setting up facilities for production of silk-worm seeds or grainages;
 - (v) laying down the certification and silk-worm seed testing procedures for seeds sold by the registered producers;

- (vi) undertaking the registration of silk-worm seed producers and dealers and controlling, supervising the inspection process to ensure adherence to the specified quality standards and seed certification requirements;
- (vii) laying down the conditions and standards for export and import of silk-worm seed and adherence to them;
- (viii) programming and planning of silk-worm seed production;
- (ix) advising the Central Government and the State Governments on the matters aforesaid; and
- (x) such other matters connected and incidental to the production, supply, distribution, trade and commerce in silk-worm seed.

as may be specified by regulations made by the committee from time to time.

8C. Power to notify kinds or varieties of silk-worm seeds:

- (1) If the Central Government, after consultation with the Committee, is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient to regulate the quality of silk-worm seed of any kind or variety for the purpose of production and for commercial exploitation, it may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare such kind or variety to be a notified kind or variety for the purposes of this Act and different kinds or varieties may be notified for different States or for different areas thereof, and it shall be incumbent upon every producer or dealer of such silk-worm seeds to produce or deal with such notified kinds and varieties of silk-worm seeds and in no other.
- (2) The Central Government may, on the recommendation of the Committee, by notification, specify-
 - (a) the minimum quality standards and conditions for notified kind or varieties of silk-worm seed; and
 - (b) the mark or label to indicate that such silk-worm seed conforms to the specified quality standards.

8D. Hybrid Authorisation Committee:

- (1) The Committee shall constitute the Hybrid Authorisation Committee consisting of the Secretary of the Board who shall be the Chairperson of the Hybrid Authorisation Committee and such number of other members to assist him in the discharge of his duties as the Committee may determine,
- (2) It shall be the duty of the Hybrid Authorisation Committee to either suo motu or on the application made to it and after due trials, testing and such other requirements, as it may deem necessary to satisfy itself, recommend to the Committee of the kind or variety of silk-worm seed, silk-worm hybrid seeds and races available in the market for notification by the Central Government for production and commercial exploitation.

8E. Registration Committee:

- (1) No silk-worm seed of any kind or variety shall, for the purpose of production or for commercial exploitation, be produced, supplied, distributed, traded, sold or otherwise disposed of by a producer or dealer unless he is registered by the Registration Committee in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Committee shall constitute the Registration Committee consisting of a Chairperson and such number of other members not less than two to assist him in the discharge of his duties as the Committee, may determine.
- (3) The Registration Committee shall have power:
 - (a) to register the silk-worm seed of the notified kind or variety after scrutinizing claims that the silk-worm seed conforms the kind or variety duly notified by the Central Government;
 - (b) to register the silk-worm seed producer after ensuring that the facility for seed production meets the requirements or conditions for maintaining quality standards as notified by the Central Government;
 - (c) to register the silk-worm dealer after scrutinizing their claim made in the application;

(d) to perform such other functions as are assigned to it by the Committee.

(4) Every application for registration under sub-section (1) shall be made in such form and contain such particulars including conditions and be accompanied by such fee as may be prescribed.

8F. Constitution of Seed Certification Agency: The Committee may, by order, constitute one or more Silk-worm Seed Certification Agencies or accredit the existing certification agencies according to such criteria as may be specified by regulations to conduct inspection for registration of producers and dealers.

8G. Constitution of Central Seed Testing Laboratories:

(1) The Committee may, by order, establish the Central Seed Testing Laboratories and accredit the existing laboratories of the Board or the State Governments having such facilities as may be specified by regulations.

(2) The Central Seed Testing Laboratories and the accredit laboratories shall carryout such functions as may be entrusted to it by the Committee from time to time.

(3) The Committee may, by order, appoint such person as it thinks fit or notify the officials or employees of the accredited laboratories having such qualifications as may be specified by regulations to be the Seed Analyst in the Seed Testing Laboratories and define the local limits of their jurisdiction.

8H. Appointment of Seed Officers:

(1) The Committee may, by order, appoint such persons, as it thinks fit, or notify an employee of the Board having such qualifications, as may be specified by regulations to be the Seed Officers and define the local limits of their jurisdiction,

(2) Every Seed Officer shall be under the administrative control of the Committee and shall be responsible for inspecting the seeds and the facilities available with the seed producers and dealers before or after their registration to ensure adherence to the standards and conditions laid down in this regard.

- (3) The Seed Officer may –
- a) take samples of any silk-worm seed of any kind or variety from-
 - (i) any producer or dealer; or
 - (ii) any person who is in the course of conveying, such seed to a purchaser or a consignee; or
 - (iii) a purchaser or a consignee after delivery of such seed to him;
 - (b) exercise such other powers as may be specified by regulations.

81. Export and Import of Silk-worm Seed:

- (1) The Committee shall advise the Central Government from time to time on the export and import of silk-worm seed and the Central Government may, by notification, specify the terms and conditions including exim policy for export and import of silk-worm seed.
- (2) All import of silk-worm seed shall conform to the quality standards specified under sub-section (2) of section 8C.
- (3) For the purpose of ensuring compliance with the conditions and quality standards for governing such import, the Central Government may, by order, authorise officers of the level of Assistant Commissioner to exercise the powers of inspection at the borders and ports, and such officers shall be deemed to be the Seed Officers for the purposes of this Act.
- (4) The Central Government may, by notification, permit for research purposes, import of an unregistered variety of silk-worm seed in such quantity and subject to such conditions as may be specified.
- (5) The Central Government may, by notification, restrict the export or import of silk-worm seed of any kind or variety if it considers that it may adversely affect the silk industry or on such other grounds, as it may consider necessary.

- 8J. Statement by Silkworm Seed Producers:** Every registered silk-worm seed producer and dealer shall furnish periodic statement to the Committee in such form, manner and at such intervals as may be specified by regulations”.]
- 9. Funds of the Board:**
- (1) The Central Government shall from time to time make grants to the Board of such sums as the Central Government may consider necessary for enabling the Board to exercise its powers and discharge its duties under this Act.
 - (2) The funds of the Board shall be kept in such bank, or, invested in such manner, as may be prescribed, and shall be expended by the Board only in the performance of its functions under this Act or for meeting such expenses as are authorised by this Act or by rules made thereunder.
- 10. Imposition of cess on certain kinds of silk:**
- (1) With effect from such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the official Gazette appoint, there shall be levied and collected as a cess for the purposes of this Act a duty of excise on all filature raw silk, and on all spun silk, reeled in the territories to which this Act for the time being extends at such rate as the Central Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, from time to time fixed.
 - (2) The said duty of excise shall be payable by the reelers of filature raw silk or spun silk and shall be paid by them to the Board within one month from the date of the receipt of the notice of demand from the Board in that behalf.
 - (3) The said duty of excise may be recovered as if it were an arrear of land revenue.
 - (4) For the purpose of enabling the Board to assess the amount of the duty of excise payable under this section by the reelers of filature raw silk or spun silk,-

- (a) the Board shall, by notification in the official Gazette, fix the period in respect of which assessments shall be made, and
 - (b) every reeler of filature raw silk or spun silk shall furnish to the Board, within the prescribed time, a return specifying the total amount of filature raw silk or spun silk reeled during such period.
- (5) If any reeler of filature raw silk or spun silk fails to furnish such return within the prescribed time or furnishes a return which the Board has reason to believe to be incorrect or defective, the Board may assess the amount payable by such reeler in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (6) Any reeler feeling himself aggrieved by an assessment made under this section may, within three months of the receipt of the notice under sub-section (2), apply to the District Judge or such other civil judicial officer as may be prescribed for the cancellation or modification of the assessment; and such District Judge or judicial officer shall, after giving the Board an opportunity of being heard, pass such order as he thinks proper; and such order shall be final.
- ¹[(7) The proceeds of the duties of excise paid to the Board shall first be credited to the Consolidated Fund of India and the Central Government may, thereafter, from time to time, pay to the Board from and out of such proceeds such sums of money as it may think fit.]

11. Control by the Central Government:

- (1) All acts of the Board shall be subject to the control of the Central Government which may cancel, suspend or modify as it thinks fit any action taken, or order passed, by the Board.
- (2) The records of the Board shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times by any officer authorised in this behalf by the Central Government.

¹ Inserted by the (Amendment) Act (XXXI of 1953), S.7 (25.3.1954).

12. Accounts of the Board:

- (1) the Board shall keep such accounts, and in such manner and form, as may be prescribed, in respect of all moneys received and expended by it.
- ¹[(2) The accounts of the Board shall be audited by the Comptroller & Auditor-General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred in connection with such audit shall be payable by the Board to the Comptroller & Auditor General.
- (3) The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India and any person appointed by him in connection with audit of the accounts of the Board shall have the same rights, privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor General of India has in connection with the audit of Government accounts, and, in particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the offices of the Board.
- (4) The accounts of the Board as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India or any person appointed by him in this behalf together with the audit report thereon shall be forwarded annually to the Central Government and that Government shall cause a copy of the same to be laid before each House of Parliament.
- (5) A copy of the accounts of the Board as so certified together with the audit report thereon shall be forwarded simultaneously to the Board.]

²[**12A. Annual report:**

The Board shall prepare for every financial year a report of its activities and achievements during that year and submit the report to the Central Government in such form and on or before such date as may be prescribed, and that Government shall cause a copy of the report to be laid before each House of Parliament.]

¹ Substituted by the (Amendment) Act, 1970 (21 of Section 5 (23.5.1970)) S.4 (23.5.1970).

² Inserted by the (Amendment) Act 1970 (21 of 1970)

13. Power of Central Government to make rules:

- (1) The Central Government may by notification in the official Gazette, make rules to carry out the purposes of this Act.
- ¹[(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, rules made under this section may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
- (i) the term of office of members of the Board, the circumstances in which and the authority by which members may be removed and the filling of causal vacancies in the Board;
 - (ii) the procedure to be followed at the meeting of the Board and at the Standing Committee for the conduct of business and the number of members which shall form a quorum at any meeting;
 - (iii) the maintenance by the Board of records of business transacted by the Board and the submission of copies thereof to the Central Government;
 - (iv) the holding of a minimum number of meetings every year;
 - (v) the power of the Board, its Chairperson and Standing Committee with respect to the incurring of expenditure;
 - (vi) the conditions subject to which the Board may incur expenditure outside India;
 - (vii) the preparation of budget estimates of receipts and expenditure of the Board and the authority by which the estimates are to be sanctioned;
 - (viii) the maintenance of the accounts of income and expenditure of the Board ²(**).

¹ Substituted by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953 (31 of 1953), S.8 (25.03 1954).

² Words, "by the Central Silk Board and the audit of such accounts" were omitted by the (Amendment) Act, 1970 (21 of 1970) S. 6 (23.5.1970)

- ¹[(viii (a) the form of the annual report of the Board and the date on or before which it shall be submitted to the Central Government;]
- (ix) The deposit of the funds of the Board in Bank and the investment of such funds;
 - (x) the re-appropriation of estimated savings from one budget head to any other budget head;
 - (xi) the conditions subject to which the Board may borrow funds;
 - (xii) the conditions subject to which and the manner in which contracts may be entered into by or on behalf of the Board;
 - (xiii) the delegation to the Standing Committee or the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson or members or officers of the Board of any of the powers and duties of the Board under this Act;
 - (xiv) the staff which may be employed by the Board and the pay and allowances, leave and other conditions of service of officers and other employees of the Board;
 - (xv) the travelling and other allowances of members of the Board and of the Standing Committee;
- ²[(xva) specifying the allowances or fees of the persons associated by the Committee under sub-section (2) of section 8A:
- (xvb) matters incidental to the production, supply, distribution, trade and commerce in silk-worm seed under clause (x) of sub-section (2) of section 8B;
 - (xvc) manner of registration of a producer or dealer by the Registration Committee under sub-section (1) and form for making application and fees to be paid under sub-section (4) of section 8E;]

¹ Clause viii(a) was inserted by the (Amendment) Act, 1970 (21 of 1970) S. 6 (23.5.1970)

² Inserted by (Amendment) Act, 42 of 2006 w.e.f. 14.9.2006

- (xvi) the purposes for which funds of the Board may be expended;
- (xvii) the maintenance of the registers and other records of the Board and of its Standing Committee;
- (xviii) the collection of any information or statistics in respect of raw silk or any product of silk;
- ¹[(xix) the manner of grading, marketing, developing and distributing raw silk and products of silk industry;]
- (xx) any other matter which is to be or may be prescribed.

(3) ²[*]

³**13A. Power to make regulations:**

- (1) The Committee may, in consultation with the Board, and with the previous approval of the Central Government, by notification, make regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act and the rules made there under, to provide for all matters for which provision is necessary or expedient for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of this Act.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:
 - (i) procedure in regard to transaction of business at the meeting of the Committee under clause (a) of sub-section (6) of section 8A.
 - (ii) laying down of various standards relating to kinds or varieties, production, testing, supply, distribution, trade and commerce and export and import of silk-worm seed under sub-section (2) of section 8B;

¹ Substituted by (Amendment) Act 42 of 2006 w.e.f. 14.9.2006.

² Omitted by Act 42 of 2006 *ibid*.

³ Inserted by *ibid*.

- (iii) to specify the criteria for establishing Central Silk-worm Seed Certification Agencies under section 8F, criteria and jurisdiction of Central Seed Testing Laboratories and qualifications of Seed Analysts under sub-sections (1) and (3) of section 8G and qualifications of Seed Officers and their other powers under sub-section (1) and clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 8H.
- (iv) the form, manner and intervals at which statement by producer and dealer may be furnished under section 8J.

13B. Laying of rules, regulations and notifications: Every rule, regulation and notification made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or regulation or notification or both Houses agree that the rule or regulation or notification should not be made, the rule or regulation or notification shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule or regulation or notification.]

14. Penalties:

¹[(1)] If any person –

- (a) in any return to be furnished under this Act makes any statement which is false and which he knows to be false or does not believe to be true, or
- (b) obstructs any officer of the Board,³[Committee and Registration Committee] in the exercise of any power

¹ S.14 re-numbered as sub-sec. (1) by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953 (31 of 1953), S.9 (25.3.1954).

conferred, or the discharge of any duty imposed on him by or under this Act, or

- (c) having the control or custody of any account book or other record, fails to produce such book or record when required to do so under this Act,

he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

- ¹[(2) if the person committing any offence specified in sub-section (1) is a company, every person who, at the time the offence was committed was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company for the conduct of the business of the company as well as the company shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing contained in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

- (3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (2), where an offence under sub-section (1) has been committed by a company and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation: For the purposes of this section, ----

- (a) **‘Company’** means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
- (b) **‘director’** in relation to a firm means a partner in the firm].

¹ Inserted by the Central Silk Board (Amendment) Act, 1953

¹**[14A. Penalty for Contravention of Sections 8C and 8E:**

If any person contravenes the provisions of sections 8C or 8E of this Act or regulations made there under or any notification relating to silk-worm seed he shall be punishable with a fine of five thousand rupees which may extend to twenty five thousand rupees besides suspension or cancellation of the registration to produce silk-worm seeds.].

15 & 15A. ²[*]

16. Bar of legal proceedings:

No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against the Board, or any member or officer of the Board, for anything in good faith done or intended to be done under this Act.

¹**[16A. Effect of Act and Rules, etc., inconsistent with other enactments:** The provisions of this Act or any rule or regulation made there under shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in any enactment other than this Act or any instrument having effect by virtue of any enactment other than this Act]

17. Temporary powers of the Central Government: [Repealed by the Amendment Act (XXXI) of 1953).]

¹ Inserted by (Amendment) Act 42 of 2006, w.e.f. 14.9.2006.

² Omitted by *ibid.*

THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD RULES, 1955

**as amended by the
Central Silk Board (Amendment) Rules, 2015**

THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD RULES, 1955

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, dated 23rd March, 1955

S.R.O.662- In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 13 of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (LXI of 1948), and in supersession of the rules published under the Notification of the Government of India, in the late Ministry of Industry and Supply, No.26 (18)-Tex (2)/49, dated the 8th June 1949, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules:

1. **Short title:** These rules may be called the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955.
2. **Definitions:** In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,
 - (a) **“Act”** means the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (LXI of 1948), as amended ¹[from time to time];
 - (b) **“²[Chairperson]”** means the ²[Chairperson] of the Board;
 - (c) **“²[Vice-Chairperson]”** means the ²[Vice-Chairperson] appointed by the Central Government under Section 6(1) of the Act;
 - (d) **“Secretary”** means the officer appointed by the Central Government under Section 7 of the Act;
 - (e) **“Form”** means a form appended to these rules.
3. **Filling in casual vacancy of a nominated member:**
 - (1) When a vacancy arises in the Board in any of the modes described in Section 5(2) of the Act in respect of a member nominated by

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.632(E) dated 28.09.2007.

² Substituted by *ibid.* In clause (b) & throughout the said rules, for the word, “Chairman” wherever it occurs, the word “Chairperson” shall be substituted; In clause (c) & throughout the said rules, for the word, “Vice-Chairman” wherever it occurs, the word “Chairperson” shall be substituted.

the Central Government or a State Government, the Secretary shall write to the Government entitled to nominate the member inviting a fresh nomination to be made within a period of two months from the date of posting of such invitation by registered post.

- (2) Where, any Government, other than the Central Government, fails to make a nomination, which is entitled to make under sub section (3) of Section 4 of the Act within, two months from the date of posting of the letter inviting such a nomination, the Central Government may itself make the nomination in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(1) of the Act.

4. Filling in casual vacancy of an elected member:

When a member of the Board elected by Parliament dies, resigns, is removed, ceases to reside in India or becomes incapable of acting, the Secretary shall notify the vacancy to the Secretary of the Rajya Sabha or the Secretary of the Lok Sabha, accordingly as the member was elected by the former or the later House of Parliament, with a request that a fresh election may be held as early as may be possible and the name of the elected member communicated to the Secretariat of the Board.

5. Term of office of members:

- (1) Except as provided in sub-rule (2) of rule 8 every member of the Board shall hold office for a period of three years from the date of his appointment, nomination or election as the member of the Board under Section 4(3) of the Act.

Provided that the term of office of the members of the Board holding office immediately before the commencement of these rules, shall terminate on the 8th day of April, 1955.

- (2) A person nominated to fill in a casual vacancy under sub-section (2) of Section 5 of the Act or who is elected under rule 4 shall hold office for so long only as the member whose place he fills would have been entitled to hold office if the vacancy had not occurred.

6. Deputation on behalf of Central Government official nominated member:

An official nominated by the Central Government under Section 4(3) (b) of the Act may depute any other official ¹[not below the rank of a Gazetted officer connected with work] to attend any meetings of the Board or its Committees or Sub-Committees on his behalf in case of illness or exigency of official work and in relation to that meeting such deputed official shall have all the rights and privileges of a Member.

7. Resignation by member of the Board or the Standing Committee:

- (1) A member of the Board may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Chairperson.
- (2) A member of the Standing Committee may resign his office as such member of the Standing Committee by writing under his hand addressed to the Secretary.

8. Termination of membership before the expiry of the term:

- (1) When a person is appointed or nominated as a member of the Board by virtue of an office held by him, his membership of the Board shall terminate when he ceases to hold that office and the vacancy so caused shall be deemed to have been filled by his successor to that office.
- (2) A member of the Board elected under clause (c) of sub-section (3) of Section 4 shall cease to be a member of the Board,
 - ² (i) If he ceases to be a member of the House by which he was elected; or
 - (ii) Becomes a Minister or Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the House of the People or the Deputy Chairman of the Council of States.]

¹ Inserted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

² Substituted by G.S.R.426 dated 13.10.2000.

9. Register of members:

- (1) The Board shall maintain a Register in which the name and address of each member of the Board shall be entered.
- (2) If, a member of the Board changes his address, he shall notify his new address to the Secretary and the Secretary shall amend the relevant entry in the Register accordingly.

10. Member going out of India:

- (1) Before a member of the Board leaves India he shall inform the Chairperson of the Board and intimate to him the date of his departure and the date of his expected return to India.
- (2) If, he intends to be or is actually absent from India for a period longer than six months, he shall tender his resignation ¹[****].
- (3) ²[If, a member is continuously absent from India for a period longer than six months and has not resigned, the Chairperson shall inform the Central Government immediately to that effect and the Central Government may remove such member from membership of the Board].

11. Member absenting himself from two consecutive meetings of the Board: Any member, who without the permission of the Chairperson, absents himself from two consecutive meetings of the Board will be liable to be removed from membership of the Board by the Central Government.

12. Removal of members: The Central Government shall remove a member from the Board –

- (a) If he is an undischarged insolvent; or
- (b) If he is convicted of any offence involving moral turpitude.

13. Election of members of the Standing Committee:

- (1) The Chairperson or in his absence the Vice-Chairperson or in the absence of both, the member presiding, shall, at a meeting of the

¹ Certain words omitted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

² Inserted by Ibid.

Board at which it is proposed to elect members of the Standing Committee under Section 6(2) of the Act, invite the members present to propose and second candidate from among the members of the Board for election to the Standing Committee. A member whose name has been proposed by a member of the Board and duly seconded by another member will be a candidate for election to the Standing Committee provided that he has given his consent orally or in writing.

- (2) If the number of candidates is less than or equal to the number of vacancies to be filled in all the candidates shall be declared elected to the Standing Committee.
- (3) If the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled in, each member of the Board present at the meeting shall be given a ballot paper containing the names of all the candidates and he shall be required to cast his votes thereon in such a manner as may be determined by the Board for as many candidates as there are vacancies to be filled in. Not more than one vote shall be given in favour of any one candidate. If any member votes for more candidates than there are vacancies or gives more than one vote in favour of any one candidate, all his votes shall be deemed to be invalid.
- (4) The candidates getting the highest number of votes shall be declared at the meeting, or as soon thereafter as possible, as elected to the Standing Committee.
- (5) In the case of an equal division of votes, the Chairperson or in his absence the Vice-Chairperson or in the absence of both the member presiding over the meeting, shall have a second or casting vote.
- (6) If any question shall arise as to the validity of any election, it shall be referred to the Chairperson whose decision in the matter shall be final.
- (7) A member of the Standing Committee shall be a member thereof for one year or for so long he is a member of the Board, whichever period is less, but shall be eligible for re-election.
- (8) In the event of a vacancy arising in the Standing Committee soon after the Annual General Meeting of the Central Silk Board in any year the Chairperson may, at his discretion, request the members of the Board by post to propose candidates from among the members of the Board to fill up the vacancy.

- 14. Maintenance of office:** The Board shall maintain an office for the transaction of its business and may open branch offices, if necessity arises.
- 15. Records of business:** A record shall be maintained of all business transacted by the Board or by the Standing Committee.
- 16. Meetings of the Board and the Standing Committee:** Not less than one meeting of the Board and not less than two meetings of the Standing Committee shall be held in each financial year.
- 17. Notice of meetings and list of business:**
 - (1) The Secretary shall decide, in consultation with the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson, the date, time and place of every meeting of the Board or of the Standing Committee. A notice of not less than 21 days from the date of posting shall ordinarily be given to every member for a meeting of the Board. A notice of not less than 10 days from the date of posting shall ordinarily be given to every member for a meeting of the Standing Committee. Such notice shall be sent to every member by registered post. A list of business proposed to be transacted shall accompany the notice. If it is necessary to convene an emergency meeting of the Board or of the Standing Committee, at least one week notice shall be given to each member of the Board or the Standing Committee, as the case may be.
 - (2) No business other than that for which a meeting is convened shall be considered at the meeting except with the permission of the Chairperson or in his absence the Vice-Chairperson or in the absence of both the member presiding over the meeting.
- 18. Provision for presiding over meetings:** The Chairperson or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside over the meetings of the Board or the Standing Committee. In the absence of both, the members present shall elect one amongst themselves to preside.
- 19. Quorum for meetings:**
 - (1) Twelve members shall form the quorum for meetings of the Board and three members shall form the quorum for meetings of the Standing Committee.

- (2) If at any meeting there is not sufficient number of members present to form the quorum, the Chairperson or in his absence the Vice-Chairperson or in the absence of both, the members presiding may adjourn the meeting to a date not later than 7 days from the date of the adjourned meeting and it shall thereupon be lawful to dispose of the business, at such an adjourned meeting irrespective of the number of members attending.

20. Disposal of business:

- (1) Every question, which may come up before the Board or the Standing Committee at any meeting, shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting on that question. No member shall vote by proxy.
- (2) In the case of an equal division of votes, the Chairperson or in his absence, the Vice-Chairperson or in the absence of both, the member presiding shall have a second or casting vote.

21. Proceedings of the meetings:

- (1) The minutes of the meetings of the Board or of the Standing Committee shall be kept in separate books (hereinafter referred to as Minutes Book), and shall be signed by the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson or the member who presided at the meeting. Copies of such minutes showing, inter-alia, the names of the members present at the meeting shall be forwarded to each member of the Board and to the Central Government as soon as possible after every meeting.
- (2) The minutes of each meeting shall be placed before the next meeting for confirmation.

22. Powers of the Board:

- (1) The Board may, by a resolution, sanction any expenditure or authorise making of a contract involving expenditure from the funds placed at its disposal by the Central Government in performance of its functions under the Act;

Provided that the Board shall not sanction any expenditure or authorise making of a contract involving expenditure in excess of the budget allotment;

¹[Provided further that the Board shall not enter into any contract involving an expenditure in excess of ²[Rs.50.00 lakhs] (other than entrusted to Government owned agencies or award of Annual Maintenance Contracts for equipments when the Board shall have full powers) without the prior sanction of the Central Government.]

(1) (A) The Board may, by resolution, appoint any person or persons for such period and on such terms and conditions as it may think fit, for the purpose of collecting information or statistics or otherwise assisting the Board in carrying out its duties and functions under the Act or these rules.

(1) (B) The Board may, by order, require any person engaged in the production, supply and distribution of, or trade and commerce in silk cocoon, raw silk, silk waste, or any product of silk (*i.e.*, yarn, sewing thread, silk woven materials, silk hosiery and garments made from silk fabrics) ; to maintain and produce for inspection such books, accounts and records relating to their business and to furnish such information relating thereto, as may be specified therein.

(2) The Board may incur expenditure outside India upto a maximum of Rs.5,000/- on each individual item;

Provided that this power of the Board shall not be delegated to the Standing Committee, or the Chairperson, or the Vice-Chairperson, or any member of the Board nominated under Clause (b) of sub-section (3) of Section 4 of the Act.

³[(3) Except as provided in the proviso to sub-rule (2) above the Board may delegate such powers as it may deem fit to the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and members of the Board nominated under clause (b) of the sub-section (3) of section 4 of the Act, Standing Committee, Member Secretary or any Officer of the Board.]

¹ Substituted by S.O.1059 dated 13.4.1998.

² Substituted for "Rs.10.00 lakhs" by G.S.R.750 (E) dated 03.10.2011.

³ Substituted by *ibid.*

23. Powers of the Chairperson:

- (1) The Chairperson may sanction an expenditure not exceeding ¹[Rs.50,000/-] for any item of expenditure covered by budget estimates.
- (2) The Chairperson may write off as irrecoverable losses not exceeding ¹[Rs.1, 000/-] in a single case.

24. Powers and duties of the Vice-Chairperson: The powers and duties of the Vice-Chairperson shall be :

- (i) to preside over the meetings of the Board or of the Standing Committee in the absence of the Chairperson;
- (ii) to enter into contracts on behalf of the Board in accordance with the Act or the rules made there under or the general or special instruments of the Board or the Standing Committee or the Chairperson;
- (iii) to exercise such other powers and to perform such other duties as the Chairperson may deem fit to delegate to him.

25. Powers and duties of the Standing Committee: The Standing Committee shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as the Board may delegate to the Committee;

Provided that such powers shall be exercised and duties performed in accordance with the directions or limitations, if any as may be given or imposed through any resolution of the Board;

Provided further that all decisions of the Standing Committee shall be subject to the control of the Board which may cancel, suspend, or modify as it thinks fit, any such decision.

26. Powers and duties of the Secretary: The Secretary will be the principal executive officer of the Board and will work under the general control of the Chairperson or the member of the Board referred in sub-rule (3) of rule 22 and of the Board. His powers and duties shall be :

- 1) to implement all decisions taken by the Board or the Standing Committee;

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

- 2) to co-ordinate and supervise the work of other officers and establishments of the Board;
 - 3) to convene under the directions of the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson meetings of the Board and of the Standing Committee;
 - 4) to maintain the Minutes book;
 - 5) to furnish to the Central Government all reports and returns and other necessary documents required by the Act or the Rules;
 - 6) to administer the Provident Fund of the Board;
 - 7) to prepare the budget estimates of the Board;
 - 8) to sanction re-appropriation of grants under such powers as may be delegated by the Standing Committee and within such limits as may be prescribed by the Standing Committee;
 - 9) to undertake such other duties and to exercise such other powers as may, from time to time, be entrusted or delegated to him by the Board or the Chairperson.
- 27. Other officers of the Board:** The Board may have such other staff as it may consider necessary and the duties of the staff shall be as prescribed by the Board.
- 28. Salaries, allowances and conditions of service of officers and establishments of the Board:**
- (1) Save as provided in Section 7 of the Act, all appointments to posts of officers and establishments in the service of the Board shall be made by the Board:
Provided that __
 - (i) No post of which the maximum salary exceeds ¹[Rs.13,500/- per mensem or such sum in the equivalent grade as may be substituted or revised from time to time] shall be created or filled without the previous sanction of the Central Government.
 - (ii) The scale of pay and dearness allowance, travelling allowance and any other allowances applicable to the officers and establishments in the service of the Board

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.420 dated 30.11.2004.

shall be the same as those prescribed by the Central Government for officers of similar status same in the case of officers and specialists appointed on contract. The Board may require at its discretion, security from such of its employees and for such amounts as it thinks fit;

- (iii) Officers or specialists appointed on contract shall be entitled for leave and leave salary under the terms which may, from time to time, be made applicable to the Central Government servants on contract on similar salaries. Such officers shall be entitled to travelling allowance, dearness allowance or any other allowances as, may from time to time, be provided for officers drawing similar salaries under the Central Government.
- (2) (a) The Fundamental Rules and the Supplementary Rules of the Government of India shall apply to the grant of leave to officers and establishments in the service of the Board. Rule 9 of the Revised Leave Rules, 1933 shall apply to such members of the staff of the Board as remain in its service for a period exceeding one year and rule 10 shall be applicable to such members of the staff as remain in service for a period not exceeding one year.

Explanation: The powers vested under the Rules referred to above in the President shall be exercised by the Chairperson and those of the Heads of Department by the Secretary.

- (i) The Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1955, and the Central Civil Services (Temporary Services) Rules, 1965 as amended from time to time shall apply in relation to the employees of the Board, as they apply in relation to the employees of the Central Government.
- (b) The Board may, by resolution, allow the employees of the Board :
- (i) Advance of pay on the eve of important festivals.
 - (ii) Advance for the purchase of conveyance on the same terms and conditions as govern the grant of such advances to Central Government servants.

- (iii) Advance for construction or purchase of a house, including purchase of land, or extension of an existing house on the same terms and conditions as govern the grant of such advance to Central Government servants, subject to availability of funds in the appropriate head in the budget.
 - (iv) Advance for purchase of warm clothing on the same terms and conditions as govern the grant of such advances to Central Government servants.
 - (v) Such other advances sanctioned by the Central Government from time to time for its employees, on the same terms and conditions as govern the grant of such advances to such employees.
- (3) ¹[The Board may grant study leave to its employees in order to enable them to undertake study or research, or to obtain specialised training in scientific, technical or economic subjects connected with the silk industry. The Central Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1972 as amended from time to time shall apply to the grant of study leave to the employees of the Board as they apply in relation to the employees of Central Government.]
- (4) (i) The Board shall establish and maintain a Contributory Provident Fund for the benefit of its employees and require them to subscribe to the Fund. Any employee of the Board on deputation to the Board who is also a Government servant shall continue to be governed by the conditions of service in regard to pension *etc.*, which apply to him as a Government servant.
- (ii) The Provident Fund shall be administered by the Secretary or any other officer authorised by the Chairperson in this behalf.
- (5) ²[The Secretary may grant leave of any kind due and admissible excepting study leave, to any officer or members of the staff

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.29 dated 23.12.1992.

² Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985 further substituted by corrigendum vide G.S.R.194 dated 18.2.1985

including the Directors working in the Research Stations or the Service Stations as well as the Board's Secretariat. Director or Deputy Director or Joint Secretary or Deputy Secretary holding independent charge of an Institute or an office as the case may be, may grant leave of any kind due and admissible, excepting study leave to any officer or member of the staff working under them.]

- 28A. Pension-cum-gratuity benefits to the employees of the Board:** Every employee of the Board, other than an employee who is on deputation to the Board, shall be entitled to pension, and death-cum-retirement gratuity (including family pension, extraordinary pension, and commutation pension) at such rates and under such conditions as are prescribed in the Liberalised Pension Rules by the Central Government for its employees of the corresponding grades;

Provided that any such employee who was in the service of the Board before the 1st April 1966, and is continuing in such service on the 31st December, 1966, may within three months from the date last mentioned, opt, in writing, for the benefits of the Central Silk Board Contributory Provident Fund Rules, in which case nothing in this rule shall apply to such employees;

Provided further that where the Contributory Provident Fund accounts of any person who was in the service of the Board on the 1st April 1966, and who ceased to be in such service after that date but before the 31st December, 1966, due to retirement on superannuation or death, have not been settled before the date last mentioned, then, such person shall be deemed to have opted to be governed by this rule.

Explanation: In this rule, "Liberalised Pension Rules" means the Liberalised Pension Rules of the Central Government, for the time being in force, regarding the grant of pension and gratuity to its employees.

- 29. Delegation of Powers by the Board:**

- (1) The Board may, by resolution, delegate to the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson or the members of the Board referred to in sub-rule(3) of rule 22 or the Vice-Chairperson or any officer of the Board, such of its powers under rule 28 as it deems fit.

¹[(1A) All delegation of powers under the sub-rule (1) shall be intimated to the Central Government.]

- (2) The authority empowered by the Board to appoint an officer or a member of the establishment in its service shall be competent to dismiss suspend, promote, or degrade such officer or members of the establishment. The procedure to be adopted in all cases of disciplinary action shall be governed by rules which obtain in Central Government offices.
- (3) The powers delegated by the Board under the rules shall be exercised subject to the control of the Board.
- 30. The working year of the Board:** The working year of the Board shall be the financial year, that is to say the period beginning from the first of April and ending with the thirty-first of March of the year following.
- 31. Travelling and other allowances to members of the Board and its Committees:** A member of the Board other than a Government servant shall be entitled to draw, in respect of any journey performed for the purpose of attending a meeting of the Board or of a committee thereof or for the purpose of discharging any duty assigned to him by the Board or the Committee concerned, travelling allowance and daily allowance in accordance with Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure Office memorandum No.6 (26) EIV/59 dated the 5th September, 1960 as amended from time to time.
- NOTE:** No travelling or daily allowance shall be admissible to a member unless he certifies that he has not drawn any travelling or daily allowance from any other source in respect of the journey and the halt for which the claim is made.
- 32. Maintenance of accounts:** The Secretary shall maintain or cause to be maintained accounts of receipts and expenditure under Section 12(1) of the Act. The accounts shall be maintained in Forms 1 to 11, as may be necessary.
- 33. Heads of receipts:** The receipts shall include all sums received by the Board during the year to which the accounts relate and shall be shown under the following heads:

¹ Inserted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

- (a) sums received by the Board by way of grant from the Central Government under Section 9(1) of the Act, or otherwise;
- (b) sums received by the Board by way of cess under Section 10 of the Act;
- (c) interest accrued on investments;
- (d) miscellaneous;

The opening balance shall be shown at the head of the account on the receipt side.

34. Heads of expenditure: The expenditure shall be shown under the following heads or any other heads that may be decided upon by the Board from time to time:

- (a) officer's salaries and establishment charges;
- (b) travelling and other allowances;
- (c) stationery and printing charges;
- (d) postage and telegram charges;
- (e) grants-in-aid, made for purposes of development of the industry;
- (f) measures taken for promoting scientific and technological research propaganda, etc.

35. Maintenance and operation upon bank accounts and investments of the funds of Board:

- (1) All moneys accruing or payable to the funds of the Board, either by way of grants from the Central Government under Section 9(1) of the Act, or by way of cess under Section 10 of the Act, or accruing from any other source or sources, shall be received by the Secretary or such other officer as the Board or the Chairperson may authorise in this behalf. The amount or amounts so received shall as soon as practicable be duly acknowledged by a receipt in form 5 and deposited in the Reserve Bank of India or such scheduled bank, as may be approved for this purpose by the Central Government under Section 9(2) of the Act to the account of the Board. All receipts should be credited to the account of the

Board in the Bank and shall not be utilised to meet expenditure for any other purpose.

- (2) The receipt books in form 5 shall be numbered serially by machine and the unused forms shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary or such other officer of the Board as may be authorised by the Board or by the Chairperson in this behalf.
- (3) All payments by or on behalf of the Board shall be made by cheques except for amounts not exceeding Rs.100/- which may be made in cash from the amount of imprest sanctioned for such purposes.
- (4) Such cheques and all orders for making deposits or investments or for the withdrawal of the same or for the disposal, in any other manner of the funds of the Board shall be signed by the Secretary or, in his absence from headquarters, by the Assistant Secretary or by any other officer authorised by the Chairperson in this behalf.
- (5) No payment shall be made out of the accounts of the Board unless the expenditure is covered by a budget grant, provided, however, that the Chairperson may at his discretion authorise expenditure being incurred in anticipation of a budget grant.
- (6) There shall be drawn from the Bank and placed at the disposal of the Secretary a permanent advance of ¹[Rs.10,000/-] to be recouped as required, and in any case at the end of each month, to meet petty expenditure of the office of the Board.
- (7) The Secretary and the Directors of Research Stations at Ranchi, Berhampore and Mysore shall have powers to sanction expenditure of a miscellaneous or contingent nature upto an amount not exceeding ²[Rs.2,000/-] in each case. The Deputy Secretary or Assistant Secretary authorised in this behalf by the Board shall have powers to sanction expenditure upto an amount not exceeding ²[Rs.500/-] in each case.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

² Added by G.S.R.194 dated 18.2.1985.

- (8) All monetary transactions shall be entered in the cash book as soon as they occur and attested by the Secretary or any other officer, authorised by the Chairperson, in token of check. The cash book shall be closed daily and completely checked by the Secretary, or the officer authorised by him in this behalf. At the end of each month the Secretary or the officer so authorised shall verify the cash book and the cash in hand and record a signed and dated certificate to that effect.
- (9) All payments by the Board shall be made on bills or other documents duly prepared and passed by the Secretary or other officer authorised in this behalf. The paid vouchers shall be stamped "paid" or so cancelled that they cannot be used a second time. They should then be kept serially numbered and produced at the time of audit.

36. Deposit in bank or investment in securities of surplus funds:

- (1) Any funds not required for current expenditure may be placed in fixed deposit with the Reserve Bank of India or any scheduled bank approved in this behalf by the Central Government, or invested in the name of the Board in any security in which trust property may lawfully be invested under the Indian Trust Act, 1882(2 of 1882).
- (2) The placing of money in fixed deposit and the investment thereof and the disposal of money so placed or invested shall require the sanction of the Chairperson.

37. Audit of Accounts:

- (1) Accounts shall be made up for each financial year. These accounts shall be audited by such auditors as the Central Government may appoint under Section 12(2) of the Act. The audited statement of receipts and expenditure together with the auditors report thereon, shall be submitted to the Central Government not later than the ¹[31st October] following.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

- (2) An abstract statement of receipts and expenditure shall be published in the Gazette of India.
 - (3) The annual accounts shall be set out and produced by the Secretary before the auditors for scrutiny on or before the ¹[31st of July] each year following the close of the financial year to which they relate.
 - (4) The auditors shall have the power to disallow any item of expenditure which, in their opinion, has not been properly incurred for purposes of the Act. The Central Government may, under Section 12(3) of the Act, and on the application of the Board allow any item of expenditure disallowed by the auditors.
 - (5) The cost of audit will be a charge on the funds of the Board.
- 38. Borrowing of funds:** ²The Board may borrow funds from the Central Government, or from any of the corresponding new banks constituted under Section 3 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings), Act, 1970 (5 of 1970), with the previous approval of the Central Government, for carrying out its developmental and other functions under the Act.]
- 39. Procedure for execution of Contracts:**
- (1) The Board may enter into and perform all such contracts as it may consider necessary or expedient for carrying into effect the provisions of the Act, and in particular, the provisions of Section 4(2) of the Act .
 - (2) ³[Every contract made under or for any purpose of the Act shall be made on behalf of the Board by the Chairperson or the Secretary subject to provisions contained in Rule 22.]
- 40. Common Seal and affixing of the same to Contracts:**
- (1) The common seal of the Board, as provided for in Section 4(2) of the Act, shall remain in the custody of Secretary. The seal shall

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

² Substituted by the notification of Ministry of Foreign Trade in No.F.No.24015/2/71-Tex (F) dated 25.8.1972.

¹ Substituted by S.O.1059 dated 13.4.1998.

not be affixed to any instrument except in the presence of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson or two members of the Standing Committee authorised in this behalf by the Chairperson; and the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson or the said two members shall sign the contract in token of the fact that the same was sealed in his or their presence.

- (2) The Common Seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except in the presence of the Secretary who shall also sign the instrument in token of the fact that the same was sealed in his presence.
- (3) An instrument to which the Common Seal is duly affixed shall be legally binding on the Board.
- (4) The draft of all contracts shall be submitted to a Solicitor approved by the Board for advice as to the correctness of their form.

41. Preparation and submission of Annual Budget Estimates:

- (1) The budget estimates of the Board for each financial year shall be prepared by the Secretary in such form as the Central Government may, from time to time direct and shall be submitted by the Secretary with his recommendations to the Standing Committee for approval at a meeting of the Standing Committee to be held before the ¹[15th July] of the preceding year.
- (2) A copy of the budget estimates shall be sent to each member of the Standing Committee and of the Board by registered post at least 10 clear days before the meeting of the Standing Committee or the Board, at which these estimates are to be considered
- (3) The Standing Committee shall consider and approve the budget estimates with such changes as it may consider necessary.
- (4) The budget estimates as approved by the Standing Committee shall be placed before the meeting of the Board to be held before the ¹[15th of August] of the preceding year.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

- (5) The budget estimates as passed by the Board shall be submitted to the Central Government not later than the ¹[15th of September] next following.
 - (6) It shall be open to the Central Government to make such alteration in the budget estimates as may be considered necessary before according approval.
- 42. Supplementary Estimate:** The Standing Committee may cause a supplementary estimate to be prepared and submitted to the Board, if in respect of any financial year, further expenditure is likely to be incurred. Every such supplementary estimate shall be considered and sanctioned by the Board and submitted to the Central Government in the same manner as if it were the original annual estimate, not later than the fifteenth of February of the financial year to which it relates. The provision of rule 41 shall, so far as it may, apply to such supplementary estimate.
- 43. Re-appropriation:**
- (1) If the Standing Committee finds in the course of the year that there is likely to be an excess of expenditure over the sanctioned budget estimate under any head, it shall examine the allotment under each head of the budget estimate with the object of discovering probable savings under any other head and effecting a re-appropriation. Where such re-appropriation is feasible, it may sanction the re-appropriation subject to such conditions as may be laid down by the Central Government, from time to time.
 - (2) Funds shall not be re-appropriated to meet expenditure on a new service not contemplated in the Budget Estimates except with the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 44. Sanction of expenditure not to be operative until appropriation of funds:** A sanction to expenditure will not become operative until there has been an appropriation of funds under these rules to cover it.
- 45. Submission of estimates regarding Government servant on the staff of the Board:** The Secretary shall submit on due dates prescribed by the Central Government the usual estimates in respect of the Government servants working on the staff of the Board whose pay in the first instance

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.141 dated 24.1.1985.

will be debited to the general revenue for inclusion in the “demands for grants of the Central Government”.

¹[46. **Fee or allowances for the associated person:** Any person associated by the Committee under sub-section (2) of section-8A of the Act shall be entitled to receive travelling allowance and daily allowance for attending the meeting in accordance with the instructions issued by the Ministry of Finance O.M.No.6(26)-E.IV/59, dated the 5th September, 1960, as amended from time to time.

47. Application for registration as producer or dealer:

²[(1) Any person intending to produce silk-worm seed of any kind or variety or silk-worm seed cocoon or rear chawki worm shall make the application to the Registration Committee in triplicate for registration as silk-worm seed producer in Form 12(a), as a chawki rearer in Form-12(b) and as seed cocoon producer in Form 12(c)].

(2) Any person intending to deal in silkworm seed, cocoon or chawki reared silkworms shall make an application to the Registration Committee in triplicate in Form-13 for registration as a dealer.

(3) Every application under sub-rules (1) and (2) shall –

(a) be accompanied by -

(i) a fee of rupees one hundred payable in cash or through Bank draft or Indian Postal Order;

(ii) documents mentioned in the application;

(b) contain all particulars mentioned in the application;

(c) fulfill all the conditions mentioned in the application.

48. Examination of application: (1) On receipt of the application under sub-rules (1) and (2) of rule 47, the Registration Committee shall examine the application having regard to the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 8E of the Act and sub-rule (3) of rule 47.

¹ Added by G.S.R.632(E) dated 28.09.2007.

² Substituted by G.S.R.76 dated 31.03.2015.

49. Procedure for Registration: The Registration Committee on being satisfied that the applicant is eligible for registration and fulfills all the requirements and conditions mentioned in sub-section (3) of section 8E of the Act and sub-rule (3) of rule 47, shall grant a certificate of registration -

- ¹[(a) to the producer of the silkworm seed in Form 14(a)
- (b) to the chawki rearer in Form 14(b)
- (c) to the seed cocoon producer in Form14(c)]

50. Procedure where registration is not granted:

- (1) Where an application made under sub-rule (1), or as the case may be, sub-rule (2) does not fulfill the requirements and conditions mentioned in sub-section (3) of section 8E of the Act, and sub-rule (3) of rule 47, the Registration Committee may reject the application after giving a reasonable opportunity of being heard.
- (2) The refusal to grant registration certificate shall be communicated by the Registration Committee within 30 days of such refusal to the applicant stating therein the grounds on which the application has been rejected.

51. The registration made under section 49 shall be renewable after every five years.

52. Suspension or cancellation of registration: The Registration Committee may, after giving an opportunity of hearing, either suspend or cancel the registration if –

- (a) such Registration has been obtained by misrepresentation or suppression of material facts or by fraudulent means; or
- (b) the provisions of section 8C and 8E of the Act or any regulations made there under or any notification issued relating to silk-worm seed have been contravened.
- (c) the conditions mentioned in either Form-14 or Form-15 have been breached.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.76 dated 31.03.2015.

53. Effect of cancellation of registration: Any producer or dealer whose registration has been cancelled under rule 52 shall, with effect from the date of such cancellation, not produce the silk-worm seeds, or as the case may be, deal in silk-worm seed, cocoon or chawki reared silk-worms.

¹[54. Trade and Commerce of the products of Silk Industry:

The restrictions on the movement of the raw materials and products of

Silk Industry, contained in any law for the time being in force, shall not apply to storing, distribution, trade and commerce of the silk-worm seed, cocoons, including reeling cocoons, silk yarn and other products of silk industry.]

¹ Inserted by G.S.R.818 (E) dated 24.11.2008.

CENTRAL SILK BOARD RULES

Appendix

FORM 1

CASH

| RECEIPTS | | | | | | |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| Date | Item or Serial No. | From whom received | Particulars | Amount | | Initials of responsible authority |
| | | | | Cash | Bank | |
| | | | Opening Balance | Rs. Ps. | Rs. Ps. | |
| | | | Carried Over | | | |
| BOOK | | | | | | |

| Disbursements | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| Date | Voucher or Serial No. | To whom paid | Particulars | Budget head to which debitible | amount | | Initials of responsible authority |
| | | | | | Cash | Bank | |
| | | | | | Rs. Ps. | Rs. Ps. | |
| | | | | Brought forward | | | |
| | | | | Carried over | | | |

FORM 2
Subsidiary Account to Cash Book

Name of Scheme

Period of Scheme

Recurring Liability

Total

Non-recurring Liability

Sanctioned Vide

Details if any,

| Disbursements | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------|-----|------|-----|-----------------------------------|
| Date | Voucher No. | To whom paid | Particulars | Amount | | | | Initials of responsible authority |
| | | | | Cash | | Bank | | |
| | | | | Rs. | Ps. | Rs. | Ps. | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Carried over | | | | | |

FORM 3
Classified Abstract of Receipts 20..... - 20.....

| Serial No. | Heads of Account | | April | | May | | Progressive Total | | Progressive Total | | March | | Progressive Total | | Remarks | | |
|------------|------------------|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------------|-----|---------|-----|-----|
| | | Account | Voucher No. | Amount | Voucher No. | Amount | | | Voucher No. | Amount | Voucher No. | Amount | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. |
| | | | | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. |

Classified Abstract of Disbursements for

| Serial No. | Heads of Account | | Original | Authority and particulars | Grant Modification during the course of the year (addition) or deduction) | Final Grant at the end of the year | Outlay to end of previous year brought forward | Transactions for the year | | | | Progressive Total | | March | | Remarks | | |
|------------|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----|-------------|--------|-------------------|-------------|--------|-----|---------|-------------|--------|
| | | Account | | | | | | Rs. | Ps. | Voucher No. | Amount | April | Voucher No. | Amount | May | | Voucher No. | Amount |
| | | | Rs. | Ps. | | Rs. | Ps. | | | | | | | | | | | |

FORM 4
Register of Securities for the period from To

| Sl. No. | Date of Purchase | Particulars of Securities | Amount | | Safe Custody Receipt No. | Interest Due | | Realisation of Interest | | | | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------|--------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------------|---------|--|--|
| | | | Purchase value | Face value | | Due Date | Amount of Interest due | Date | Amount Received | Initials of Accountant | Date | Amount Received | Initials of Accountant | Remarks | | |
| | | | Rs. Ps. | Rs. Ps. | | | Rs. Ps. | | | | Rs. Ps. | | | | | |

FORM 5

| | | Central Silk Board | | | |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------|--|
| (Counter Foil) | Receipt | Receipt for payments to the Board | | Place: | |
| Book No. | | Book No. | Date: | | |
| Received from | | Received from | Date: | | |
| Rs. | | Rs. | (Signature) | | |
| On account of | | On account of | Secretary | | |
| | Cashier and accountant | Secretary | Central Silk Board | | |
| | | | | | |

FORM 6

| | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Number of Cheque Books | Initials of the Secretary | Date of Completion | Dated initials of the Accountant for having received and examined the counterfoils |
| | | | |

FORM 7
[Register of Stock of Receipts Books]

| Date | New Stock Received | | | | | | Issues | | | | Balance in stock | | | | Remarks | |
|------|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| | From whom received | No. and date of the communication with which received | No. of books (each form) received. | No. of receipt forms received. | Nos. borne by the books | Nos borne by the receipt forms | To whom issued | No. of books issued | No. of forms issued | Nos. borne by the receipt forms | Dated initials of the Accountant | No. of books | No. of Receipt forms | Nos. borne by the books | | Nos. borne by the receipt forms |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

FORM 10
Register of Advances Permanent/Temporary

| Issuing Authority | To whom made | Particulars of the Advance | Payments | | Repayments | | | Balance | | Remarks |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----|---------|
| | | | Date of payment of the Advance | Amount paid Rs. Ps. | Date | Mode | Amounts Rs. Ps. | Dated initials of the Accountant | Rs. | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

FORM 11
Annual Accounts for the year 20..... Relating to the grant for.....

PAYMENTS

| Head of Account | Receipts during the year | | Remarks | Grant | | Payments | | Excess or saving over net grants | | Remarks |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-----|---------|----------|-----|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----|---------|
| | Rs. | Ps. | | Original | Net | Head of Account | Expenditure during the year | Rs. | Ps. | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| Opening Balance | | | | | | | | | | |

RECEIPTS

- I. Particulars of advances, permanent and temporary, outstanding at the end of the year:
Particulars Amount
- II. Particulars of securities, etc.:
Particulars of securities Face value Purchase value Approximate market value
- III. Particulars of Closing Balance:
Particulars Amount

Secretary
CENTRAL SILK BOARD
AUDIT CERTIFICATE
ACCOUNTANT GENERAL

Certified that the above accounts have been audited and found correct.

¹[FORM-12(a)]

[See rule 47(1)]

**APPLICATION FOR
REGISTRATION/RENEWAL
AS A SILKWORM SEED PRODUCER**

Affix passport
size colour
photograph
(2.5 cm x 3.5 cm)

To
The Chairperson,
Registration Committee,
Central Silk Board, Bengaluru.

- (1) Name of the Applicant (in Block letters) :
- (2) Name of father/mother/husband (in Block letters) :
- (3) Mailing Address :
- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------|
| Door No. | Street/Village | |
| Area/Locality | Taluk : | |
| District : | State : | PIN : |
- (4) Phone Number – Land Line (with STD Code) :
Mobile Number :
- (5) Address of Production Centre :
- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------|
| Door No. | Street/Village | |
| Area/Locality | Taluk : | |
| District : | State : | PIN : |
- (6) Mention whether NEW or EXISTING :
- NEW Applicant: [put tick mark (v)]
Enclose copy of educational qualification certificate (minimum matriculation)
- EXISTING Applicant:
Enclose Licence copy renewed at least upto 2005-06 or
beyond/Registration Certificate
- (7) Training attended (Enclose certificate copy) : Place of training
(new applicant should have undergone a
minimum of three months training in a recognized institution) Period of Training
- (8) Sector [put tick mark (v)] :
- | | | | | | |
|----------|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Mulberry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tasar | <input type="checkbox"/> | OakTasar | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Eri | <input type="checkbox"/> | Muga | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

¹ Substituted vide notification No. G.S.R. 76 dated 31.03.2015.

- (9) Applicant type [put tick mark (✓)] :
Government NGOs Private
- (10) Kind or variety of silkworm seed proposed to :
be produced (mention the combinations)
- (11) Capacity of the silkworm seed production unit:
- (12) Quantity of silkworm seed proposed to be :
Produced
- (13) Year of establishment :
- (14) Present production level (in lakhs) :
- (15) Building ownership type [put tick mark (✓)] :
Own Leased Rented
- (16) Facilities available in the production unit :
- (17) No. of employees/workers working as on :
the date of this application
- (18) Demand Draft No. and Date :
- (19) Any other details :

Declaration :

I/We declare that the information given above is true to the best of my/our knowledge and belief and no part thereof is false.

Signature of the Applicant

Place :

Date :

Enclosures :

(1)

(2)

(3)

For office use

Date of receipt :

Date of disposal:

Cleared Kept in abeyance New Rejected

¹[FORM-12(b)]

[See rule 47(1)]

**APPLICATION FOR
REGISTRATION/RENEWAL
AS A CHAWKI SILKWORM REARER**

Affix passport
size colour
photograph
(2.5 cm x 3.5 cm)

To
The Chairperson,
Registration Committee,
Central Silk Board, Bengaluru.

- (1) Name of the Applicant (in Block letters) :
- (2) Name of father/mother/husband (in Block letters) :
- (3) Mailing Address :
- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------|
| Door No. | Street/Village | |
| Area/Locality | Taluk : | |
| District : | State : | PIN : |
- (4) Phone Number – Land Line (with STD Code) :
Mobile Number :
- (5) Address of Production Centre :
- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------|
| Door No. | Street/Village | |
| Area/Locality | Taluk : | |
| District : | State : | PIN : |
- (6) Mention whether NEW or EXISTING :
- NEW Applicant: [put tick mark (v)]
- Enclose copy of educational Qualification certificate (minimum matriculation)
- EXISTING Applicant:
- Enclose Licence copy renewed at least upto 2005-06 or beyond/Registration Certificate
- (7) Training attended (Enclose certificate copy) : Place of training
(new applicant should have undergone a Minimum of three months training in a Recognized institution) Period of Training
- (8) Sector [put tick mark (v)] :
- | | | | | | |
|----------|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Mulberry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Tasar | <input type="checkbox"/> | OakTasar | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Eri | <input type="checkbox"/> | Muga | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

¹ Inserted by notification No. 76 dated 31.03.2015.

- (9) Applicant type [put tick mark (√)] :
Government NGOs Private
- (10) Kind or variety of silkworm seed proposed :
Be produced (mention the combinations)
- (11) Capacity of the silkworm seed production unit :
- (12) Quantity of Chawki Rearing proposed :
- (13) Mulberry/Host plant : Average Variety
- (14) Year of establishment :
- (15) Chawki Rearing House Ownership :
[put tick mark (√)]
Own Leased Rented
- (16) Facilities available in the Chawki Rearing Centre :
- (17) No. of employees/workers working as on the date of this application :
- (18) Demand Draft No. and Date :
- (19) Any other details :

Declaration:

I/We declare that the information given above is true to the best of my/our knowledge and belief and no part thereof is false.

Signature of the Applicant

Place :

Date :

Enclosures :

(1)

(2)

(3)

For office use

Date of receipt:

Date of disposal:

Cleared Kept in abeyance New Rejected

¹[FORM-12(c)]

[See rule 47(1)]

**APPLICATION FOR
REGISTRATION/RENEWAL
AS A SILKWORM SEED COCOON PRODUCER**

Affix passport
size colour
photograph
(2.5 cm x 3.5 cm)

To
The Chairperson,
Registration Committee,
Central Silk Board, Bengaluru.

- (1) Name of the Applicant (in Block letters) :
- (2) Name of father/mother/husband (in Block letters) :
- (3) Mailing Address :
Door No. _____ Street/Village _____
Area/Locality _____ Taluk : _____
District : _____ State : _____ PIN : _____
- (4) Phone Number – Land Line (with STD Code) : _____
Mobile Number : _____
- (5) Kind or variety of pure silkworm race produced :
to be reared
- (6) Sector [put tick mark (v)] :
Mulberry Tasar OakTasar
Eri Muga
- (7) Applicant type [put tick mark (v)] :
Government NGOs Private
- (8) Rearing House Ownership :
[put tick mark (v)]
Own Leased Rented
- (9) Specify whether rearing is done in separate : Yes No
Rearing house
- (10) Mulberry garden/host plant : Own Leased
- (11) Capacity of the rearing house :

¹ Inserted by notification No. 76 dated 31.03.2015.

- (12) Mulberry/Host plant : Average Variety
- (13) Year of establishment :
- (14) Demand Draft No. and Date :
- (19) Any other details :

Declaration:

I/We declare that the information given above is true to the best of my/our knowledge and belief and no part thereof is false.

Signature of the Applicant

Place :

Date :

Enclosures :

(1)

(2)

(3)

For office use

Date of receipt:

Cleared

Kept in abeyance

Date of disposal:

New

Rejected

FORM-13

**APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS DEALER OF SILK WORM
SEEDS/COCOONS/CHAWKI REARED SILKWORMS**

[See Rule 47 (2)]

To
The Registration Committee,
Central Silk Board, Bengaluru.

- (1) Full name and address of the Applicant :
 - (a) Name and postal address
 - (b) Place of business
 - (c) Phone Number / Fax Number
- (2) Kind or variety of silk-worm seed/cocoons/chawki reared silk-worms in which he deals in :
- (3) Nature of transaction whether to sell/export/import/otherwise deal in Silk-worm seed of kind or variety/cocoons/chawki reared silk-worms :
- (4) Any other details :
- (5) Declaration :
 - (a) Declare that the information given above is true to the best of my/our knowledge and belief and no part thereof is false.
 - (b) I/We have carefully read, understood the minimum standard of quality parameter required to be maintained for the kind or variety of silk-worm seeds cocoons/chawki reared silk-worms proposed to be dealt as specified under the Regulation.

Signature of the Applicant

Place :

Date :

For office use

Date of receipt:

Orders of the Regional Registration Committee and date of disposal.

¹[FORM-14(a)]
[See rule 49(a)]

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF SILKWORM SEED PRODUCER
Certificate No. : KA/01/RSP/3456/0001

Subject to provisions of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (61 of 1948) and the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955 and the terms and the conditions mentioned hereunder, _____ is hereby granted Certificate of Registration registering him/her as Silkworm Seed Producer of kind or variety silkworm seed, _____ at _____.

Date : _____

Place : Bengaluru.

Terms and conditions of Registration

1. The Certificate of Registration is valid upto _____ unless previously cancelled or suspended.
2. The Registered Seed Producer (RSP) shall display this Certificate of Registration at a prominent and conspicuous place in the silkworm seed production centre.
3. The RSP shall produce only the silkworm seed of notified kind or variety as permitted in this Certificate.
4. The RSP shall ensure that the facilities as specified for production of notified kind or variety of silkworm seed meet the requirements or conditions for maintenance of quality standards.
5. The RSP shall buy seed cocoons only from Registered Seed Cocoon Producers and if sold for commercial chawki rearing purpose, it shall only be to Registered Chawki Rearers.
6. The RSP shall intimate to the Registration Authority any change in address of his/her seed production centre as mentioned in this Certificate.
7. The RSP shall extend every facility to the Registration Committee or any other authority acting under its authority for the purpose of inspection of silkworm seed premises used by the producer for production thereof.

Name of the Officer]

Designation of the Officer

[File No. _____]

By Order of the Registration Committee]

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.76 dated 31.03.2015.

¹[FORM-14(b)]
[See rule 49(b)]

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CHAWKI SILKWORM REARER
Certificate No. : KA/01/RCR/2353/0001

Subject to provisions of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (61 of 1948) and the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955 and the terms and the conditions mentioned hereunder, _____ is hereby granted Certificate of Registration registering him/her as Chawki Silkworm Rearer of kind or variety silkworm seed, _____ at _____.

Date : _____

Place : Bengaluru

Terms and conditions of Registration

1. The Certificate of Registration is valid upto _____ unless previously cancelled or suspended.
2. The Registered Seed Producer (RCR) shall display this Certificate of Registration at a prominent and conspicuous place in the Chawki Rearing Centre.
3. The RCR shall produce only the silkworm seed of notified kind or variety as permitted in this Certificate.
4. The RCR shall ensure that the facilities as specified for commercial chawki rearing of notified kind or variety of silkworm seed meet the requirements or conditions for maintenance of quality standards.
5. The RCR shall buy disease free layings only from Registered Seed Producers.
6. The RCR shall intimate to the Registration Authority any change in address of the Chawki Rearing Centre.
7. The RCR shall extend every facility to the Registration Committee or any other authority acting under its authority for the purpose of inspection of silkworm seed premises used by the producer for production thereof.

[Name of the Officer]
Designation of the Officer

[File No. _____]

By Order of the Registration Committee]

¹ Inserted by G.S.R. 76 dated 31.03.2015.

**¹[FORM-14(c)
[See rule 49(c)]**

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF SEED COCOON PRODUCER
Certificate No. : KA/01/RSCP/3676/0001

Subject to provisions of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (61 of 1948) and the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955 and the terms and the conditions mentioned hereunder, _____ is hereby granted Certificate of Registration registering him/her as Seed Cocoon Producer of kind or variety silkworm seed, _____ at _____.

Date : _____ Place : Bengaluru.

Terms and conditions of Registration

1. The Certificate of Registration is valid upto _____ unless previously cancelled or suspended.
2. The Registered Seed Cocoon Producer (RSCP) shall display this Certificate of Registration at a prominent and conspicuous place in his rearing house.
3. The RSCP shall rear only the silkworm pure races of notified kind or variety as permitted in this Certificate.
4. The RSCP shall ensure that the facilities as specified for rearing silkworm pure races of notified kind or variety as permitted, meet the requirements or conditions for maintenance of quality standards.
5. The RSCP shall sell his/her Silkworm Seed Cocoons only to Registered Seed Producers.
6. The RSCP shall intimate to the Registration Authority any change in address provided in the Certificate.
7. The producer shall extend every facility to the Registration Committee or any other authority acting under its authority for the purpose of inspection of rearing house, the silkworm crop or the seed cocoon produced.

[Name of Officer]
Designation of Officer

[File No. _____]

[By Order of the Registration Committee]

¹ Inserted by G.S.R. 76 dated 31.03.2015.

FORM-15

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF DEALER

[See Rule 49(b)]

Subject to the provisions of Central Silk Board Act, 1948 and the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955 and the terms and conditions mentioned hereunder, Shri/Ms. (address) is hereby granted the certified of Registration registering him/her to deal in kind or variety of silk-worm seed/cocoons/chawki reared silkworms.

Terms and conditions of Registration

1. The Certificate of Registration is valid up to _____ unless previously cancelled or suspended.
2. The dealer shall display this certificate of registration at a prominent and conspicuous place at the premises where he/she deals in kind or variety of silk-worm seed/cocoons/chawki reared silk-worms.
3. The dealer shall report to the Registration Authority any change in the address of the premises where he/she carries on the business by buying and selling, export or import of notified kind or variety of silk-worm seed/cocoons/chawki reared silkworm.
4. The dealer shall extent every facility to the Registration Committee or any other officer acting under his authority for the purpose of inspecting the silk-worm seed/cocoon/chawki reared silk-worms in any premises used by him/her for the purpose of business of buying and selling, export or import of notifies kind or variety of silk-worm seed/cocoons/chawki reared silk-worms.

By Order of the Registration Committee

Secretary

**THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD
GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND RULES, 1966**

as amended upto 24.10.2000

THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND RULES, 1966

Government of India-Ministry of Commerce

New Delhi, 31st December, 1966

10th Pausa, 1888

NOTIFICATION

G.S.R.92. In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 13 of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (LXI of 1948), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:

1. Short title and commencement:

- (i) These rules may be called the Central Silk Board General Provident Fund Rules, 1966.
- (ii) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Definitions: In these rules,

- (a) “**Act**” means the Central Silk Board Act, 1948;
- (b) “**Board**” means the Central Silk Board constituted under sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Act;
- (c) the expressions ‘Chairperson’ and ‘Secretary’ wherever they occur, shall mean ‘Chairperson’ and ‘**Secretary**’ respectively, of the Board;
- (d) “**emoluments**” means pay including dearness pay, special pay, personal pay and leave salary or subsistence grant, if admissible, but does not include dearness allowance or any other allowances;
- (e) ¹[**family**] means:
 - (i) in the case of a male subscriber, the wife or wives, parents, children, minor brothers, unmarried sisters, deceased son’s widow and children and where no parents of the subscriber is alive, a paternal grandparent;

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

Provided that if a subscriber proves that his wife has been judicially separated from him or has ceased under the customary law of the community, to which she belongs, to be entitled to maintenance she shall henceforth be deemed to be no longer a member of the subscriber's family in matters to which these rules relate unless the subscriber subsequently intimates in writing to the Secretary, Central Silk Board that she shall continue to be so regarded;

- (ii) in the case of a female subscriber, the husband, parents, children, minor brothers, unmarried sisters, deceased son's widow and children and where no parents of the subscriber is alive, a paternal grandparent.

Provided that if a subscriber by intimation in writing to the Secretary, Central Silk Board expresses her desire to exclude her husband from her family, the husband shall henceforth be deemed to be no longer a member of the subscriber's family in matters to which these rules relate, unless the subscriber subsequently cancels such intimation excluding him in writing.]

¹[NOTE: "**Child**" means a legitimate child and includes an adopted child, where adoption is recognized by the personal law governing the subscriber on a ward under the Guardian and Wards Act, 1890 (8 of 1890), who lives with the subscriber and is treated as a member of the family and to whom the subscriber through special will, given the same status as that of natural born child.]

- (f) "**Fund**" means the General Provident Fund constituted under rule 4;
- (g) "**Leave**" means any kind of leave sanctioned for the staff of the Board under the Revised Leave Rules, 1933;
- (h) "**Schedule**" means the schedule annexed to these rules;
- (i) "**Year**" means the financial year.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.57 dt.19.1.1996.

3. Conditions of eligibility:

- (1) These rules shall apply to__
- (i) the employees of the Board who were in service before the 1st April, 1966 and continuing in such service on the 31st December, 1966 and who have elected to come under the Board's Pension-cum-gratuity scheme under rule 28A of the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955, and have completed one year's continuous service on 1st April, 1966 or subsequently
- and
- (ii) every employee of the Board (other than re-employed pensioner) who joined service of the Board on or after 1st April, 1966 and has continued in such service thereafter and who has put in not less than one year's continuous service, other than an Officer of any Government whose services have been placed at the disposal of the Board and in respect of whom the Board is required to pay leave, pension or provident fund contribution to the Government.
- (2) A temporary employee who completes one year's continuous service during the middle of a month shall subscribe to the Fund from the subsequent month.

¹[NOTE-I: Apprentices and probationers shall be treated as temporary employees for the purpose of this rule.

NOTE-II: Temporary employees (including Apprentice and Probationers) who have been appointed against regular vacancies and are likely to continue for more than a year may subscribe to the Fund at any time before completion of one year's service.]

4. Constitution of the Fund:

- (i) There shall be constituted a General provident Fund for the employees of the Board to whom these rules apply.

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.57 dt.19.1.1996.

- (ii) the Fund shall consist of –
 - (a) Subscriptions to the Board's Contributory Provident Fund together with interest thereon due as on the 31st March, 1966 made by the employees who have been elected to come under the Pension-cum-gratuity scheme under rule 28A of the Central Silk Board Rules, 1955;
 - (b) subscriptions which are credited to the Fund in accordance with these rules;
 - (c) such additions to the Fund as the Board may from time to time decide to make with the approval of the Central Government; and
 - (d) the income of the Fund from loans, deposits and investments.
- 5. Every employee of the Board to whom these rules apply, shall be a subscriber to the Fund.
- 6. The fund shall be vested in and be managed by the Board.
- 7. **Nominations:**
 - (1) A subscriber shall at the time of joining the Fund send to the Secretary, a nomination conferring on one or more persons the right to receive the amount that may stand to his credit in the Fund, in the event of his death, before that amount has become payable or, having become payable, has not been paid;

Provided that a subscriber who has a family at the time of making the nomination shall make such nomination only in favour of a member or members of his family.

Provided further that the nomination made by the subscriber in respect of the Board's Contributory Provident Fund to which he was subscribing before joining the fund shall, if the amount to his credit in such fund has been transferred to his credit in the Fund, be deemed to be a nomination duly made under this rule until he makes a nomination in accordance with this rule.
 - (2) If, a subscriber nominates more than one person under sub-rule (1), he shall specify in the nomination the amount or share

payable to each of the nominees in such manner as to cover the whole of the amount that may stand to his credit in the fund at any time.

- (3) Every nomination shall be in such one of the Forms set forth in the Schedule annexed hereto as is appropriate in the circumstances.
- (4) A subscriber may at any time cancel a nomination by sending a notice in writing to the Secretary. The subscriber shall, along with such notice or separately send a fresh nomination made in accordance with the provisions of this rule.
- (5) A subscriber may provide in a nomination:
 - (a) in respect of any specified nominee, that in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber, the right conferred upon that nominee shall pass to such other person or persons as may be specified in the nomination, provided that such other person or persons shall, if the subscriber has other members of his family, be such other member or members. Where the subscriber confers such a right on more than one person under this clause, he shall specify the amount or share payable to each of such persons in such a manner as to cover the whole of the amount payable to the nominee.
 - (b) that the nomination shall become invalid in the event of the happening of a contingency specified therein;

Provided that if at the time of making the nomination the subscriber has no family, he shall provide in the nomination that it shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring a family;

Provided further that if at the time of making the nomination the subscriber has only one member of the family, he shall provide in the nomination that the right conferred upon the alternate nominee under clause (a) shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring other member or members in his family.

- (6) Immediately on the death of a nominee in respect of whom no special provision has been made in the nomination under clause (a) of sub-rule (5) or on the occurrence of any event by reason of which the nomination becomes invalid in pursuance of clause (b) of that sub-rule or the proviso thereto, the subscriber shall send to the Secretary a notice in writing cancelling the nomination, together with a fresh nomination made in accordance with the provisions of this rule.
- (7) Every nomination made, and every notice of cancellation given by a subscriber shall, to the extent that it is valid, take effect on the date on which it is received by the Secretary.
- 8. Subscriber's Account:** An account shall be prepared in the name of each subscriber and shall show the amount of his subscriptions with interest thereon calculated as prescribed in sub-rule (2) of rule 12 as well as the advances and withdrawals from the Fund.
- 9. Conditions of Subscriptions:**
- (1) Every subscriber shall subscribe monthly to the Fund except during the period when he is under suspension;
- Provided that a subscriber may, at his option, not subscribe during any period of leave, other than earned leave of less than 30 days duration;
- Provided further that subscriber on reinstatement after a period passed under suspension shall be allowed the option of paying in one sum, or in installments, any sum not exceeding the maximum amount of arrears subscriptions payable for that period.
- (2) The subscriber shall intimate his election not to subscribe during leave by written communication to the Secretary before he proceeds on leave. Failure to make due and timely intimation shall be deemed to constitute an election to subscribe, ¹[provided that the Secretary, on a written communication from the subscriber, is satisfied that he was prevented by sufficient cause from intimating his election not to subscribe before he proceeded on

¹ Inserted by G.S.R.144 dated 24.1.1985.

leave, may, entertain such intimation during the period when he was on leave or after he returns from leave, as the case may be.]

- (3) The option of a subscriber intimated under this sub-rule shall be final.
- (4) A subscriber who has, under rule 20 withdrawn the amount standing to his credit in the Fund shall not subscribe to the Fund after such withdrawal unless he returns to duty.

10. Rates of Subscriptions:

- (1) The amount of subscription shall be fixed by the subscriber himself, subject to the following conditions, namely:
 - (a) It shall be expressed in whole rupees.
 - (b) It may be any sum, not less than 6% of his emoluments and not more than his total emoluments;

¹[Provided that in the case of a subscriber who has previously been subscribing to a Government Contributory Provident Fund at the higher rate of 8 1/3 per cent of his emoluments and not more than his total emoluments.]
 - (c) When an employee elects to subscribe at the minimum rate of 6% the fraction of a rupee shall be rounded to the nearest whole rupee, fifty paise counting as the next higher rupee.
- (2) For the purpose of sub-rule (1), the emoluments of a subscriber shall be –
 - (a) in the case of a subscriber who was in the Board's service on the 31st March of the preceding year, the emoluments to which he was entitled on that date;

Provided that-

- (i) if the subscriber was on leave on the said date and had elected not to subscribe during such leave

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

or was under suspension on the said date, his emoluments shall be the emoluments to which he was entitled on the first day after his return to duty.

(ii) if the subscriber was on deputation out of India on the said date or was on leave on the said date and continues to be on leave and has elected to subscribe during such leave, his emoluments shall be the emoluments to which he would have been entitled had he been on duty in India;

(b) in the case of a subscriber who was not in the Board's service on the 31st March of the preceding year, the emoluments to which he was entitled on the day he joins the Fund.

(3) The subscriber shall intimate the fixation of the amount of his monthly subscription in each year to the Secretary.

(4) The amount of subscription so fixed may be ¹[enhanced twice or] reduced once at any time during the course of a year.

Provided that when the amount of subscription is so reduced, it shall not be less than the minimum prescribed in sub-rule (1).

Provided further that if a subscriber is on duty for a part of month and on leave for the remainder of that month and if he has elected not to subscribe during the leave, the amount of subscription payable shall be proportionate to the number of days spent on duty in that month.

11. Realisation of Subscriptions: The Board shall have power to deduct from the emoluments of any subscriber the subscription due from him ²[****].

12. ³[Interest:

(1) The Board shall pay to the credit of the account of a subscriber interest at such rate as may be determined for each year

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.57 dated 19.1.1996.

² Deleted by *ibid*.

³ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

according to the method of calculation prescribed from time to time by the Government of India:

Provided that, if the rate of interest determined for a year is less than 4 percent, all subscribers to the Fund in the year preceding that for which the rate has for the first time been fixed at less than 4 percent, shall be allowed interest at 4 percent:

Provided further that a subscriber who was previously subscribing to any other provident fund of the Central Government and whose subscription together with interest thereon, have been transferred to his credit in his Fund shall also be allowed interest at 4 percent if he had been receiving that rate of interest under the rules of such other fund under the provision similar to that of the first proviso to this rule.

- (2) Interest shall be credited with effect from last day in each year in the following manner:
- (i) on the amount to the credit of a subscriber on the last day of the preceding year, less any sums withdrawn during the current years interest for twelve months;
 - (ii) on sums withdrawn during the current year interest from the beginning of the current year upto the last day of the month preceding the month of withdrawal;
 - (iii) on all the sums credited to the subscriber's account after the last day of the preceding year interest from the date of deposit upto the end of the current year;
 - (iv) the total amount of interest shall be rounded to the nearest whole rupee (fifty paise counting as the next higher rupee);

Provided that when the amount standing to the credit of a subscriber has become payable, interest shall thereupon be credited under this rule in respect only of the period from the beginning of the current year or from the date of deposit, as the case may be, upto the date on which the amount standing to the credit of the subscriber became payable.

- (3) In this rule, the date of deposit shall, in the case of recoveries from emoluments, be deemed to be the first day of the month in which it is recovered, and in the case of amounts forwarded by the subscriber, shall be deemed to be the first day of the month of receipt, if it is received before the 15th day of the month, but if it is received on or after 15th day of the month, the first day of the next succeeding month.

Provided that where there has been a delay in the drawal of pay or leave salary and allowances of a subscriber and consequently in the recovery of his subscription towards the Fund, the interest on such subscriptions shall be payable from the month in which the pay or leave salary of the subscriber was due under the rules, irrespective of the month in which it was actually drawn:

Provided further that where the emoluments for a month are drawn and disbursed on the last working day of the same month the date of deposit shall, in the case of recovery of his subscriptions, be deemed to be the first day of the succeeding month.

Provided further that where a subscriber on deputation to a body corporate owned or controlled by the government or an autonomous organization registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) is subsequently absorbed in such body corporate or organization with effect from a retrospective date, for the purpose of calculating the interest due on the Fund accumulations of the subscriber the date of issue of the orders regarding absorption shall be deemed to be the date on which the amount to the credit of the subscriber became payable subject, however, to the condition that the amount recovered as subscription during the period commencing from the date of issue of orders of absorption shall be deemed to be subscription to the fund only for the purpose of awarding interest under this sub-rule.]

13. ¹[Advances from the Fund:

- (1) The Chairperson or any other officer authorized on his behalf may sanction the payment to any subscriber of an advance,

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

consisting of a sum of whole rupees and not exceeding in amount three months' pay or half the amount standing to his credit in the Fund, whichever is less, for one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) to pay expenses in connection with the illness, confinement or disability, including where necessary, the travelling expenses of the subscriber and members of his family or any person actually dependent on him.
- (b) to meet cost of higher education, including where necessary, the travelling expenses of the subscriber and members of his family or any person actually dependent on him in the following cases, namely:
 - (i) for education outside India for academic, technical, professional or vocational course beyond the High School stage; and
 - (ii) for any medical, engineering or other technical or specialised course in India beyond the High School stage, provided that the course of study is for not less than three years;
- (c) to pay obligatory expenses on a scale appropriate to the subscriber's status which by customary usage the subscriber has to incur in connection with betrothal or marriages, funerals or other ceremonies;
- (d) ¹[to meet the cost of legal proceedings instituted by or against the subscriber, any member of his family or any person actually dependent upon him, the advance in this case being available in addition to any advance admissible for the same purpose from any other Government source];
- (e) to meet the cost of the subscriber's defence where he engages a legal practitioner to defend himself in an inquiry in respect of any alleged official misconduct on his part;

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.57 dated 19.1.1996.

- (f) to purchase consumer durables such as TV, VCR/VCP, washing machines, cooking range, geysers, computers etc.
- (2) The Chairperson may, in special circumstances, sanction the payment to any subscriber of an advance if he is satisfied that the subscriber concerned requires the advance for reasons other than mentioned in sub-rule (1).
- (3) When an advance is sanctioned before repayment of last installment of any previous advance is completed the balance of any previous advance not recovered shall be added to the advance so sanctioned and the installments for recovery shall be fixed with reference to the consolidated amount.
- (4) A subscriber shall be permitted to take an advance once in every six months under item (b) of sub-rule (1) of this Rule.]

14. Recovery of Advances:

- (1) An advance shall be recovered from the subscriber in such number of equal monthly installments as the sanctioning authority may direct; but such number shall not be less than twelve unless the subscriber so elects and more than twenty-four. In special cases where the amount of advance exceeds three months' pay of the subscriber under sub-rule (2) of rule 13, the sanctioning authority may fix such number of installments to be more than 24 but in no case more than 36. A subscriber may, at his option, repay more than one installment in a month. Each installment shall be a number of whole rupees, the amount of the advance being raised or reduced, if necessary, to admit of the fixation of such installments.
- (2) Recovery shall be made in the manner prescribed in rule 11 for the realisation of subscriptions, and shall commence, with the issue of pay for the month following the one in which the advance was drawn.
- (3) Recovery shall not be made, except with the subscriber's consent while he is in receipt of subsistence grant or is on leave other than earned leave of less than 30 days' duration. The recovery

may be postponed, on the subscriber's written request, by the sanctioning authority during the recovery of an advance of pay granted to the subscriber.

- (4) If, more than one advance has been made to a subscriber, each advance shall be treated separately for the purpose of recovery.
 - (5) ¹[****]
 - (6) If, an advance has been granted to a subscriber and drawn by him and the advance is subsequently disallowed before repayment is completed, the whole balance of the amount withdrawn shall, with interest at the rate provided in rule 12, forthwith be repaid by the subscriber to the Fund, or in default, be ordered to be recovered by deduction from the emoluments of the subscriber in a lumpsum or in monthly installments not exceeding twelve as may be directed by the authority competent to sanction an advance for the grant of which, special reasons are required under sub-rule (2) of rule 13.
 - (7) Recoveries made under this rule shall be credited as they are made, to the subscriber's account in the Fund.
- 15. Wrongful use of advance:** Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, if the sanctioning authority is satisfied that money drawn as an advance from the Fund under rule 13 has been utilised for a purpose other than that for which sanction was given to the drawal of the money, the amount in question shall, with interest at the rate provided in rule 12, forthwith be repaid by the subscriber to the Fund, or in default, be ordered to be recovered by deduction in one lumpsum from the emoluments of the subscriber even if he be on leave. If the total amount to be repaid be more than half the subscriber's emoluments, recoveries shall be made in monthly instalments of moieties of his emoluments till the entire amount is repaid by him.

NOTE: The term '**emoluments**' in this rule does not include subsistence grant.

¹ Omitted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

16. ¹[Withdrawals from the Fund:

- (A) Subject to the conditions specified herein, withdrawals may be sanctioned by the Chairperson, at any time after the completion of ten years of service (including broken periods of service, if any) of a subscriber or within ten years before the date of his retirement on superannuation, whichever is earlier, from the amount standing to his credit in the Fund, for one or more of the following purposes namely :
- (a) meeting the cost of higher education, including where necessary, the travelling expenses of the subscriber or any child of the subscriber in the following cases, namely;
 - (i) for education outside India for academic, technical, professional or vocational course beyond the high school stage; and
 - (ii) for any medical, engineering or other technical or specialised course in India beyond the high school stage;
 - (b) meeting the expenditure in connection with the betrothal/ marriage of the subscriber or his sons or his daughters and any other female relation actually dependent on him.
 - (c) meeting the expenses in connection with the illness, including where necessary, the travelling expenses, of the subscriber and members of his family or any person actually dependent on him.
- (B) during the services of a subscriber from the amount standing to his credit in the Fund for one or more of the following purposes, namely:
- (i) building or acquiring a suitable house or ready-built flat for his residence including the cost of the site for any payment towards allotment of a plot or flat by the State Development Authority, State Housing Board or a House Building Society;

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

- (ii) repaying an outstanding amount on account of loan expressly taken for building or acquiring a suitable house or ready-built flat for his residence;
 - (iii) purchasing a house-site for building a house thereon for his residence or repaying any outstanding amount on account of loan expressly taken for this purpose;
 - (iv) reconstructing or making additions, or alterations to a house or a flat already owned or acquired by a subscriber;
 - (v) renovating additions or alterations or upkeep of an ancestral house at a place other than the place of duty or to a house built with the assistance of loan from Government at a place other than the place of duty;
 - (vi) Constructing a house on a site purchased under clause (iii).
- (C) Within twelve months before the date of subscriber's retirement on superannuation from the amount standing to the credit in the fund without linking to any purchase.

Note: (1) P.F.W under sub-rule (A) and (B) sanctioned to the extent of 75 percent of the balances standing in the credit of the subscriber.

Note: (2) PFW under sub-rule(c) may be sanctioned to the extend of 90 per cent of the balance standing in the credit of the subscriber.

Note: (3) Withdrawal under sub-rule (A) &(B) shall be sanctioned only after a subscriber has submitted the documentary evidences.

Note: (4) Withdrawal under sub-rule(B) shall be allowed where the house site or house in the name of wife or husband.

Note: (5) The amount of withdrawal sanctioned under clause (ii) of sub-rule (B) shall not exceed $\frac{3}{4}$ th of the balance on date of application together with the amount of previous withdrawal reduced by the

amount of previous withdrawal. The formula to be followed is $\frac{3}{4}$ th of the balance as on date plus amount of previous withdrawals for the house in question minus the amount of previous withdrawals.

Note: (6) Only one withdrawal shall be allowed for the same purpose under this rule. But marriage or education of different children or illness on different occasions or a further addition or alteration to a house or flat covered by a fresh plan duly approved by the local municipal body of the area where the house or flat is situated shall not be treated as the same purpose. Second or subsequent withdrawal under sub-rule (B) for completion of the same house shall be allowed up to the limit laid down under Note.5.]

17. Conditions for withdrawals:

¹[(1) Any sum withdrawn by a subscriber at any one time for one or more of the purposes specified in Rule-15 from the amount standing to his credit in the Fund shall not ordinarily exceed one-half of such amount or six months' pay, whichever is less. The sanctioning authority may, however, sanction the withdrawal of an amount in excess of this limit up to $\frac{3}{4}$ th of the balance at his credit in the Fund having due regard to (i) the object for which the withdrawal is being made, (ii) the status of the subscriber, and (iii) the amount to his credit in the Fund [in case of withdrawal under Clause (A) and up to 90% of balance at credit in cases of withdrawals under Clause (B) of sub-rule (1) of Rule-16].

Provided that in no case the maximum amount of withdrawal for purposes specified in Clause (B) of sub-rule (1) of Rule-16 shall exceed the maximum limit prescribed from time to time under Rule-2(a) and 3(b) of the scheme of the Ministry of Works and Housing for grant of advances for house building purposes:

Provided further that in the case of a subscriber who has availed himself of an advance under the scheme of advances for house

¹ Substituted by G.S.R.432 dated 24.10.2000.

building purposes, or has been allowed any assistance in this regard from any other Government source, the sum withdrawn under the sub-rule together with the amount of advance taken under the aforesaid scheme or the assistance taken from any other Government source shall not exceed the maximum limit prescribed from time to time under Rule-2(a) and 3(b) of the aforesaid scheme.

Provided further that the withdrawal admissible under Rule-16(1)(C) shall not exceed 90 per cent of the amount standing to the credit of the subscriber in the fund.]

- (2) A subscriber who has been permitted to withdraw money from the Fund under the rule 16 shall satisfy the Chairperson within a reasonable period as may be specified by that authority that the money has been utilised for the purpose for which it was withdrawn, and if he fails to do so, the whole of the sum so withdrawn or so much thereof as has not been applied for the purpose for which it was withdrawn shall forthwith be repaid by the subscriber in one lumpsum together with interest thereon at the rate determined under rule 12, and in default of such payment, it shall be ordered by the Chairperson to be recovered from his emoluments either in a lumpsum or in such number of monthly installments, as may be determined by the Chairperson.
- 18. Conversion of an advance into a withdrawal:** A subscriber who has already drawn or may draw in future an advance under rule 13 for any of the purposes specified in clauses (a), (b) and (c) of rule 16, convert, at his discretion by written request addressed to the Secretary, through the sanctioning authority, the balance outstanding against it into a final withdrawal on his satisfying the conditions laid down in rules 16 and 17.
- 19. Final withdrawal of accumulations in the Fund:** When a subscriber quits the service, the amount standing to his credit in the Fund shall become payable to him.

Provided that the subscriber, who has been dismissed from the service and is subsequently reinstated in the service shall, if required to do so by the Board, repay any amount paid to him from the Fund in pursuance of this rule, with interest thereon at the rate provided in rule 12 in the manner provided in the proviso to rule 20.

Explanation I – A subscriber who is granted refused leave shall be deemed to have quitted the service from the date of compulsory retirement or on the expiry of an extension of service.

Explanation II – A subscriber, other than one who is appointed on contract or one who has retired from service and is subsequently re-employed, with or without a break in service, shall not be deemed to quit the service, when he is transferred without any break in service to new post under a State Government or in another department of the Central Government (in which he is governed by another set of Provident Fund Rules), and without retaining any connection with his former post. In such a case, his subscriptions together with interest thereon shall be transferred:

- (a) if the new post is in another department of the Central Government, to his account in the Provident Fund in that department in accordance with the rules of that fund or
- (b) if the new post is under a State Government, to a new account under the State Government concerned provided that the State Government consents, by general or special order to such transfer of subscriptions and interest.

They shall hold good in cases of retrenchments followed by immediate employment.

NOTE: Transfers shall include cases of resignation from service in order to take up appointment in another department of the Central Government or under the State Government without any break and with proper permission of the competent authority. In cases where there has been a break in service, such break shall be limited to the joining time allowed on transfer to a different station.

Explanation III – When a subscriber is transferred, without any break, to the service under another statutory body owned or controlled by Government the amount of subscriptions under his existing account together with interest thereon shall not be paid to him but shall be transferred, with the consent of that body to his new provident Fund account under that body.

NOTE: Transfers shall include cases of resignation from service in order to take up appointment under another statutory body owned or controlled by Government without any break, and with proper permission of the competent authority. The time taken to join the new post shall not be treated as a break in service if it does not exceed the joining time admissible to a person on transfer from one post to another.

20. Retirement of subscriber: When a subscriber –

- (a) has proceeded on leave preparatory to retirement, or
- (b) while on leave has been permitted to retire or been declared by a competent authority to be unfit for further service;

the amount standing to his credit in the Fund shall, upon application made by him in that behalf to the Secretary, become payable to the subscriber;

Provided that the subscriber; if he returns to duty shall, if required to do so by the Board repay to the Fund for credit to his account, the whole or part of any amount paid to him from the Fund in pursuance of this rule with interest thereon at the rate provided in rule 12 by installments or by recovery from his emoluments or otherwise, as may be directed by the authority competent to sanction an advance for the grant of which, special reasons are required under sub-rule (2) of rule 13.

21. Procedure on death of subscriber: On the death of a subscriber before the amount standing to his credit has become payable, or where the amount has become payable, before payment has been made.

- (i) When the subscriber leaves a family –
 - (a) if a nomination made by the subscriber in accordance with the provisions of rule 7 or of the corresponding rule heretofore in force in favour of a member or members of his family subsist, the amount standing to his credit in the Fund or the part thereof to which the nomination relates shall become payable to his nominee or nominees in the proportion specified in the nomination;

- (b) if no such nomination in favour of a member or members of the family of the subscriber subsists, or if such nomination relates only to a part of the amount standing to his credit in the Fund, the whole amount or the part thereof to which the nomination does not relate, as the case may be shall, notwithstanding any nomination purporting to be in favour of any person or persons other than a member or members of his family, become payable to the members of his family in equal shares;

Provided that no share shall be payable to –

- (i) sons who have attained majority;
- (ii) sons of a deceased who have attained majority;
- (iii) married daughters whose husbands are alive;
- (iv) married daughters of a deceased whose husbands are alive.

if there is any member of the family other than those specified in clauses (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv).

Provided further that the widow or widows and the child or children of a deceased son shall receive between them in equal parts only the share which that son would have received if he had survived the subscriber and had been exempted from the provisions of clause (1) of the first proviso.

- (ii) when the subscriber leaves no family, if a nomination made by him in accordance with the provisions of rule 7 or of the corresponding rule heretofore in force in favour of any person or persons subsist the amount standing to his credit in the Fund or the part thereof to which the nomination relates, shall become payable to his nominee or nominees in the proportion specified in the nomination.

22. Manner of payment of amount in the Fund:

- (1) When the amount standing to credit of a subscriber in the Fund becomes payable, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to make

payment on receipt of a written application in this behalf as provided in sub-rule (2).

- (2) Any person who desires to claim payment under this rule shall send a written application in that behalf to the Secretary.

23. Finance and account:

- (1) All sums paid into the Fund under these rules shall be accounted for in the books of the Board in an account called "The Central Silk Board General Provident Fund Account".
- (2) Such accounts shall be examined and audited annually, by the auditors appointed under the Act.
- (3) All expenses of the fund shall be met by the Board from the income of the Fund as the Board may direct.
- (4) Moneys required for current expenditure with the exception of petty cash and surplus moneys shall be kept in current account in the State Bank of India or its subsidiaries or other banks approved by the Central Government.
- (5) Moneys in the Fund not required for current expenditure may be invested in Trustee Securities or Treasury Savings Deposits Certificates or National Savings Certificates to the extent permissible or in fixed deposits in Banks approved by the Central Government.
- (6) Cheques for withdrawals from the current account and all orders for making deposits or investments or withdrawal of the same or the disposal in any other manner of the moneys in the Fund shall be signed by the Secretary of the Board or in his absence by the Accountant of the Board and countersigned by the Chairperson of the Board, provided that where the amount covered by such cheque or order does not exceed Rs.5,000/- such cheque or order may be countersigned by any officer of the Board duly authorised by the Chairperson.

24. Annual Statement of Accounts to be supplied to subscriber:

- (1) As soon as possible after the close of each year, the Secretary shall send to each subscriber a statement of his account in the

Fund showing the opening balance as on the 1st April of the year, the total amount credited or debited during the year, the total amount of interest credited as on the 31st March of the year and the closing balance on that date. The Secretary shall attach to the statement of account a query whether the subscriber__

- (a) desires to make any alteration in any nomination made under rule 7;
 - (b) has acquired a family in cases where the subscriber has made no nomination in favour of a member of his family under the proviso to sub-rule (1) of rule 7.
- (2) Subscribers should satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the annual statement, and errors, if any, should be brought to the notice of the Secretary within three months from the date of receipt of the statement.
- (3) The Secretary shall, if required by a subscriber, once, but not more than once, in a year inform the subscriber of the total amount standing to his credit in the Fund at the end of the last month for which his account has been written up.

25. Interpretation: If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, the same shall be decided by the Board.

THE SCHEDULE

RULE 7 (3)

Forms of Nomination

- I. When the subscriber has a family and wishes to nominate one member thereof:

I hereby nominate the person mentioned below, who is a member of my family as defined in Rule 2 of the Central Silk Board (General Provident Fund) Rules, 1966 to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before the amount has become payable, or having become payable, has not been paid:

| Name and address of nominee | Relationship with subscriber | Age | *Contingencies on the happening of which the nomination shall become invalid | Name, address and relationship of the person/persons, if any, to whom the right of the nominee shall pass in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|--|---|
| Dated this _____ Day of _____ 20..... | | | | |
| at _____ | | | | |
| Two witnesses signature | | | | |
| 1. _____ | | | | |
| 2. _____ | | | | |
| Signature of the subscriber. | | | | |

***Note:** When a subscriber who has no family makes a nomination, he shall specify in this column that the nomination shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring a family.

II. When the subscriber has a family and wishes to nominate more than one member thereof:

I hereby nominate the persons mentioned below, who are members of my family as defined in Rule 2 of the Central Silk Board (General Provident Fund) Rules, 1966 to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before the amount has become payable, or having become payable, has not been paid and direct that the said amount shall be distributed among the said persons in the manner, shown against their names:

| Name and address of nominees | Relationship with subscriber | Age | *Amount or share of accumulation to be paid to each | Contingencies on the happening of which the nomination shall become invalid | Name, address and relationship of the person/ persons if any, to whom the right of the nominee shall pass in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|---|---|---|
| Dated this _____ Day of _____ 20..... | | | | | |
| at _____ | | | | | |
| Two witnesses signature | | | | | |
| 1. _____ | | | | | |
| 2. _____ | | | | | |
| Signature of the subscriber _____ | | | | | |

***Note:** This column should be filled in so as to cover the whole amount that may be stand to the credit of the subscriber in the fund at any time.

III. When the subscriber has no family and wishes to nominate one person:

I, having no family as defined in rule 2 of the Central Silk Board (General Provident Fund) Rules, 1966 hereby nominate the person mentioned below to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable, or having become payable, has not been paid :

| Name and address of nominee | Relationship with subscriber | Age | *Contingencies on the happening of which the nomination shall become invalid | Name, address and relationship of the person/persons, if any, to whom the right of the nominee shall pass in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber |
|---|------------------------------|-----|--|---|
| <p>Dated this _____ Day of _____ 20.....</p> <p>at _____</p> <p>Two witnesses signature</p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Signature of the subscriber _____</p> | | | | |

*** Note:** Where a subscriber who has no family, makes a nomination, he shall specify in this column that the nomination shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring a family.

IV. When the subscriber has no family and wishes to nominate more than one person:

I, having no family as defined in Rule 2 of the Central Silk Board (General Provident Fund) Rules, 1966, hereby nominate the persons mentioned below to receive the amount that may stand to my credit in the Fund, in the event of my death before that amount has become payable, or having become payable, has not been paid and direct that the said amount shall be distributed among the said persons in the manner shown below against their names:

| Name and address of nominees | Relationship with subscriber | Age | *Amount or share of accumulation to be paid to each | **Contingencies on the happening of which the nomination shall become invalid | Name, address and relationship of the person /persons, if any, to whom the right of the nominee shall pass in the event of his predeceasing the subscriber |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|---|---|--|
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|---|---|--|

Dated this _____ Day of _____ 20.....

at _____

Two witnesses signature

1. _____
2. _____

Signature of the subscriber

*** Note:** This column should be filled in so as to cover the whole amount that may stand to the credit of the subscriber in the Fund at any time.

****Note:** Where a subscriber who has no family makes a nomination, he shall specify in this column that the nomination shall become invalid in the event of his subsequently acquiring a family.

¹[The Central Silk Board Study Leave Rules, 1955]

²[The Central Silk Board Contributory Provident Fund Rules, 1955]

³[The Central Silk Board Employees Pension Fund Rules, 1966]

¹ Superseded by G.S.R.29 dated 23.12.1992 except in respect of things done or omitted to be done before such supersestion.

² Repeald vide G.S.R.175 notification dated 12.8.2014

³ Repeald vide G.S.R.174 notification dated 12.8.2014

**THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD
SILK-WORM SEED REGULATIONS, 2010**

(as amended upto 31.3.2015)

THE CENTRAL SILK BOARD SILK-WORM SEED REGULATIONS, 2010

New Delhi, 16th March, 2010

G.S.R. 194 (E) - In exercise of the powers conferred by section 13 A of the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (61 of 1948), the Central Silk Board with the previous approval of the Central Government, hereby makes the following regulations, namely:

CHAPTER - 1 Preliminary

1. Short title and commencement:

- (1) These regulations may be called the Central Silk Board Silkworm Seed Regulations, 2010.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions:

- (1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (a) **“Act”** means the Central Silk Board Act, 1948 (61 of 1948);
 - (b) **“parent seed”** means the silk-worm seed used to generate seed cocoons for commercial seed production;
 - (c) **“chawki silkworms”** means young silk-worms up to second moult;
 - (d) **“chawki rearing”** means rearing of chawki silkworms to provide optimum conditions providing nutritious feed for the uniform growth of the silk-worms in the initial stages to facilitate the production of disease-free, robust, uniform and high quality cocoons;
 - (f) **“Form”** means forms annexed to these regulations;
 - (g) **“seed producer”** means a person engaged in the production of silkwormseed and registered under section 8E of the Act;

(h) “specified” means specified under these regulations.

- (2) Words and expressions used herein and not defined but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

CHAPTER – 2

Transaction of business of Central Silkworm Seed Committee

3. Meetings of Committee:

- (1) The Committee shall meet at least once in six months.
- (2) A special meeting of the committee may be convened by the Chairperson on the request of at least three members of the Committee.
- (3) The date and place of the meeting shall be determined by the Chairperson.
- (4) The Secretary shall give a fifteen days’ notice of an ordinary meeting and five days’ notice of a special meeting to the members specifying therein the time and the place of meeting and the business to be transacted thereat.
- (5) A notice for the meeting may be given through messenger or by registered post.
- (6) No subject matter other than that for which the notice is given shall be considered at that meeting except with the permission of the Chairman.

Provided that the Chairperson may permit the discussion on such other subject matter only if at least ten days prior notice has been given by the member.

4. Quorum:

- (1) One-third of members shall form the quorum for a meeting.
- (2) If at any ordinary or special meeting the quorum is not there, the Chairperson shall adjourn the meeting to such other day as he may think fit and the business which would have been transacted

at the meeting had there been a quorum, shall be transacted at the adjourned meeting whether there be the quorum present thereat or not.

5. Proceedings of meeting:

- (1) The Secretary shall maintain a record of names and addresses of members of the Committee.
- (2) The Secretary shall maintain the minutes of the meetings of the Committee in a Minutes Book which shall be signed by the person who presided the meeting and a copy of minutes showing, inter-alia, the names of members present at the meeting and the proceedings of the meeting shall be forwarded to the Board.
- (3) The Minutes Book shall be open to inspection by any member at the office of the Secretary during office hours.

6. Disposal of business:

- (1) The business in a meeting shall be transacted in the order in which it is entered in the agenda unless otherwise permitted by the Chairman.
- (2) Every question, which may come up before the Committee, shall be decided by a majority of votes of the members present and voting on such question and one member shall cast only one vote.
- (3) In case of equality of votes, the Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote.

CHAPTER – 3

Programming and planning of silkworm seed production

7. Programming and planning of silkworm seed production:

- (1) The Committee based on the national requirement as a whole and interest of each State in particular shall plan the annual production of silkworm seed.
- (2) The Committee may advise the States to programme, plan and monitor the production and supply of silkworm seed including

the parent seeds and parent seed cocoons for production of commercial seed.

- (3) The Committee shall advise the Central and State Governments on the annual programming and planning of silkworm seed production in the country.

CHAPTER – 4

Quality standards of silkworm seed

8. Quality standards for the kind or variety of silkworm seed:

- (1) The quality standards of the silkworm seed shall conform to the breed characters with respect to fecundity, hatchability, survival and cocoon yield.

Explanation: For the purpose of this regulation.

- (a) “*fecundity*” means number of eggs in a disease free laying;
- (b) “*hatchability*” means number of worms coming out of the eggs represented in percentage;
- (c) “*survival*” means number of worms spinning the cocoons;
- (d) “*cocoon yield*” means number and weight of cocoons obtained from 100 disease free layings.

- (2) The quality standards of parent seed cocoons of the notified kind or variety shall conform to the breed characters to be notified under section 8C of the Act with respect to pupation, cocoon yield and the number of cocoons.

Explanation: For the purpose of this regulation.

“*pupation*” means number of live pupae in seed cocoons represented in percentage.

- (3) A seed producer shall conduct a quality inspection of the parent seed cocoons and purchase only such cocoons that conform to the characters of the notified breed.

- (4) The parent seed cocoon and parent eggs shall be free from pebrine disease and the parent seed cocoons shall not have more than one per cent muscardine affected pupae.

CHAPTER – 5

Conditions for production of seed cocoon

9. Conditions to be complied by the seed cocoon producer.

- (1) A seedcocoon producer shall possess a mulberry garden, disinfectable rearing house or rearing space and rearing appliances such as chawki rearing appliances, rearing trays, cleaning nets, shoot rearing racks or rearing stands and mountages.
- (2) A Seed Cocoon Producer shall possess the knowledge of rearing of parent silkworm races and he shall undergo a training in silkworm rearing for not less than one month in a sericulture institution under State or Central Silk Board or any other recognized institution.

Provided that a seed cocoon producer who is rearing the parent silk-worm races before the commencement of these regulation shall not be required to undergo such training.

- (3) A Tasar seed cocoon producer shall possess a tasar food plantation or a forest patch of food plants exclusively for seed rearing and a Muga seed cocoon producer shall possess a muga food plantation for seed rearing
- (4) An Eri seed cocoon producer shall possess Eri food plantation and a disinfectable rearing house or rearing space with rearing appliances for seed rearing.
- (5) The seed cocoon producer shall.
- (i) procure parent seeds only from the Government parent seed producing farms or grainages;
 - (ii) clean, wash and disinfect the rearing house, rearing appliances and the premises before starting the rearing;

- (iii) rear the silkworms with utmost care to maintain uniform growth and development of larvae;
 - (iv) provide spacing according to the stage of the larvae;
 - (v) maintain temperature and relative humidity in the rearing house according to the stage of the silkworm;
 - (vi) ensure hygiene in the rearing house to prevent diseases;
 - (vii) take precautionary measures to control uzi infestation;
 - (viii) mount silkworm in shade with ventilation;
 - (ix) harvest cocoons only after pupation and store them in single layer in trays;
 - (x) transport cocoons only during cooler hours of the day;
 - (xi) sell seed cocoons to the registered seed producers;
 - (xii) maintain the record of sale of seed cocoons for seed or for reeling and shall not sell the rejected cocoons to any seed producer or dealer;
 - (xiii) present the record of sale as and when required by the Seed Officer for verification;
 - (xiv) allow the Seed Officer to inspect the crop and verify the records of seed purchase, rearing and disposal of cocoon and shall comply with the instructions.
- (6) The seed cocoons which do not meet the quality characters of the notified breed shall be declared unfit for seed and rejected and the seed cocoons so rejected shall be sold only for reeling.
- (7) The seed cocoons which are certified as fit for seed but not purchased for want of demand shall also be sent for reeling.
- (8) The seed cocoon producer who sells the seed cocoons for reeling purpose shall maintain the valid receipt or other documentary evidence in support of the transactions.

- (9) The Tasar and Muga seed cocoon producer shall remove pests and flies from the food plants and clean the ground before transferring the worms.

CHAPTER – 6

Conditions and requirements for registration of seed producer

10. Conditions for registration of producer.

- (1) A mulberry silkworm seed producer shall possess a matriculate pass certificate and a certificate course in sericulture from a recognized institution for having undergone training in Silkworm seed production for not less than three months in a sericulture institution under State or Central Silk Board or any other recognized institution.

Provided that mulberry silkworm seed producer operating the seed production centre before the commencement of these regulations shall not be required to possess the prescribed qualifications, but he shall undergo a refresher course training in silkworm seed production for a period of not less than ¹[one week].

- (2) A mulberry silkworm seed producer shall.
- (a) undertake to produce a minimum quantity of five lakh Disease free layings per annum from the third year of registration;
 - (b) possess building with separate rooms to conduct various activities of silkworm seed production including seed cocoon preservation, ovi-position and mother moth examination;
 - (c) possess the requisite equipment as specified in Table-1 for production of seed and maintenance of quality standards.

¹ The words “one month” is substituted by the words “one week” vide notification No. G.S.R. 75 dated 31.3.2015

Table 1 : Equipment required for the production of 5 lakhs Disease free layings per annum

| Sl. No | Items | Qty (nos.) |
|--|---|------------|
| General Equipment: | | |
| 1. | Cocoon or pupae preservation stand | 6 |
| 2. | Oviposition stand | 2 |
| 3. | Seed cocoon or pupae preservation trays | 100 |
| 4. | Oviposition tray | 35 |
| 5. | Male moth preservation tray | 20 |
| 6. | Working stand | 3 |
| 7. | Egg preservation cabinet | 1 |
| 8. | Hygrometer | 3 |
| 9. | Room heater | 2 |
| 10. | Humidifier | 1 |
| 11. | Electronic balance | 1 |
| 12. | Sprayer | 1 |
| 13. | Generator | 1 |
| 14. | Refrigerator | 1 |
| 15. | Cellules | 12500 |
| Testing and treating equipment | | |
| 1. | Moth crushing unit | 1 |
| 2. | Moth examination table & stool | 1 |
| 3. | Centrifuge and accessories | 1 |
| 4. | Microscope | 2 |
| Additional requirements for loose egg production | | |
| 1. | Hydrometer | 2 |
| 2. | Acid treatment bath | 1 |
| 3. | Egg washing tray | 1 |
| 4. | Egg drying chamber | 1 |
| 5. | Egg winnowing machine | 1 |

- (d) procure certified parent seed cocoons from the seed cocoon producers;
 - (e) adhere to the conditions specified in this regulation on production and supply of parent seed cocoons through seed cocoon producers;
 - (f) produce only the kind or variety of hybrid seeds as indicated in the certificate of registration;
 - (g) do not change the venue of the seed production center without the written permission of the Registration Committee;
 - (h) produce the seed adopting the method and procedure maintaining the quality standards as specified in these regulations;
 - (i) conduct seed testing and certify the seed as specified in these regulations;
 - (j) not to refrigerate the crossbreed or acid treated bivoltine silkworm eggs beyond a period of 20 days from one day after the laid on date;
 - (k) not to re-refrigerate the silkworm eggs;
 - (l) maintain upto date record of seed cocoon procurement, quantity of seeds produced, moth examination details and disease incidence and disposal of seeds and submit quarterly reports in Form-1;
 - (m) not to refrigerate the seed cocoons;
 - (j) give free access to the records and products for the Seed Officer or Seed Analyst or any other officer so appointed or authorized by the Registration Committee or Central Silkworm Seed Committee during his visit and assist him to conduct verification of records and tests;
- (3) The silkworm seed producer of Tasar, Muga and Eri shall undergo training for a period of not less than one month in a sericulture institution under State or Central Silk Board or any other recognized institution.

- (4) The seed producer of Tasar, Muga and Eri shall produce a minimum of 5000 Disease free layings per annum by the fifth year of Registration and shall possess the following grainage equipment, namely.
- (a) **Tasar** - Microscope, earthen cups, Egg drying tray, sprayer, thermometer, mortar and pestle, egg laying box / nylon net bags;
 - (b) **Muga** - Cocoon preservation rack, trays, kharika, bamboo cages, thermometer, egg carrying boxes, sprayer, heater, microscope and moth examination set;
 - (c) **Eri** - Cocoon preservation rack, trays, moth cages, net pouches, thermometer, egg laying cabinet, egg carrying boxes, sprayer, heater, microscope and moth examination set;
- (5) The Tasar, Muga or Eri seed cocoons shall be preserved in well ventilated rooms with temperature and Relative Humidity maintained at 26~28°C and 75~80 %, respectively

11. Quality standards for production of mulberry silkworm seeds:

1. The seed producer shall clean, wash and disinfect the grainage rooms, premises and appliances before initiating the grainage operations.
2. The seed producer shall procure and maintain multivoltine and bivoltine parent seed cocoons at the ratio of 2-1 for the preparation of cross breed layings.
3. The seed producer shall preserve the seed cocoons or pupae in a single layer providing temperature of $25 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$, relative humidity of $75 \pm 5\%$ and 10 hours light and 14 hours darkness.
4. The male and female moths shall be separated to prevent inbreeding and to facilitate crossing with the desired females and males for preparation of cross breed layings.
5. When moths are coupled, they shall be allowed for pairing for a minimum of three hours but when male moths are used for

second coupling they shall be rested for at least three hours before they are coupled and the male moths coupled for the second time shall be allowed to pair for at least four hours.

6. The male moths shall not be used for more than two mating or pairing.
7. Male moths shall be preserved at 7 to 9°C to retain their vigor and vitality.
8. The moths shall be handled gently without injuring them.
9. The female moths shall be allowed to lay eggs for twenty four hours on labeled egg sheets for oviposition at 25°C ± 1°C temperature and 75 ± 5% relative humidity in semi dark condition.
10. The seed producer shall observe the following method of mother moth examination, to detect pebrine spores.
 - (a) mother moth samples shall be collected after the moths have laid the eggs and the number of mother moths shall be sampled and examined as below:

| | | | |
|-------|------------|---|-----------------------|
| (i) | First day | - | All the moths (100 %) |
| (ii) | Second day | - | 20 % of the moths |
| (iii) | Third day | - | 20 % of moths |
| (iv) | Fourth day | - | All the moths (100 %) |
 - (b) while collecting moth samples care shall be taken not to exclude moths with morphological deformities or moths which laid poor or deformed eggs;
 - (c) fresh moths stored after drying at 70°C for six hours shall be used for the examination;
 - (d) twenty moths shall be taken in a crushing jar and 80 ml of 0.6% K₂CO₃ (90 ml for dry moths) solution be added and crushed for two minutes at 10000 rpm and the jars

- shall be left for two minutes to settle before filtering it into centrifuge tubes and the filtrate shall be centrifuged at 3000 rpm for three minutes;
- (e) the supernatant shall be rejected and the sediment be dissolved in 2~3 drops of K_2CO_3 (0.6%) solution and mixed well;
 - (f) a smear from the dissolved solution shall be placed on a glass slide using a glass rod and examined under a microscope with a magnification of 600 X to detect the pebrine spores and five fields in each smear shall be examined.
- (11) If there is any incidence of pebrine disease, the seed production shall be discontinued and the eggs, if any, prepared already, shall be destroyed by burning and all prophylactic measures shall be taken to prevent contamination.
 - (12) The incidence of pebrine shall be informed immediately, in writing, to the jurisdictional Seed Officer with necessary details, the source of procurement, lot number, date of purchase, date of examination, stage of examination and the details of test results.
 - (13) After the examination all the egg sheets shall be physically verified and the deformed eggs and layings having less than two hundred and fifty eggs shall be removed.
 - (14) The disease free eggs shall be surface disinfected by dipping the eggs in two per cent formalin for fifteen minutes.
 - (15) In the case of bivoltine hybrid egg production, cocoons of the component races shall be procured and maintained in equal numbers.
 - (16) The seed producer shall separate male and female pupae.
 - (17) The separated male and female pupae shall be labeled and preserved separately in different rooms.
 - (18) For loose egg preparation, starch coated sheets shall be used for egg laying and the eggs shall be separated and washed thoroughly.

- (19) Bivoltine eggs for immediate brushing shall be treated in hydrochloric acid with specific gravity of 1.075 for 5 minutes at 46°C or specific gravity of 1.1 for 90 minutes at 25°C to prevent diapause.
- (20) The acid treated eggs shall be washed thoroughly in running water to remove the acid traces completely.
- (21) The washed eggs shall be dried and winnowed to remove light eggs and packed on the same day in loose egg boxes containing about 25000 eggs per box or 50 Disease free layings.
- (22) The hibernated bivoltine hybrid eggs shall be cold stored for breaking diapauses.
- (23) The eggs after release shall be incubated and distributed.
- (24) The seed producer shall ensure that,
 - (a) the eggs are disease free and certified;
 - (b) the average number of eggs per Disease free laying are not less than four hundred and fifty;
 - (c) Disease free layings having less than two hundred and fifty eggs are not retained;
 - (d) Disease free layings having deformed eggs or egg clumps are removed;
 - (e) The hatching of incubated eggs are not less than ninety per cent.
- (25) The seed sold by the seed producer shall be authenticated with stamping including name of the grainage, lot number, variety or kind of silkworm seed, quantity, date of laying and probable date of hatching.
- (26) The seed producer shall keep the record of the test results and certify the seed produced by him to be disease free if found fit after the examination and distribute only the disease free certified silkworm seed.

- (27) The seed producer shall reject the lot if he fails to recover a minimum of twenty per cent Disease free layings from the parent seed cocoons procured.

12. Quality Standards for production of Tasar silkworm seed:

- (1) The grainage rooms, earthen cups and other appliances shall be thoroughly cleaned, washed and disinfected.
- (2) The seed cocoons shall be tied in the form of garlands consisting of one hundred cocoons in twenty bunches of five cocoons each and preserved in a hanging position.
- (3) During summer, the temperature and humidity inside the grainage shall be maintained below 35°C and at 40~60%, respectively.
- (4) Seed cocoons shall be periodically screened and sorted.
- (5) The moths shall be allowed to mate after two to three hours of emergence in dark for four to six hours and allowed to lay eggs in earthen cups or in nylon bags.
- (6) Dead and old moths shall be removed every day.
- (7) The nylon bags in which moths are allowed to lay eggs shall be hung in bunches of two in the oviposition rooms at a temperature of 30°C and relative humidity of eighty to ninety percent.
- (8) The eggs shall be collected immediately after seventy two hours.
- (9) Mother moths shall be subjected to microscopic examination individually to detect pebrine incidence and pebrine infected moths and layings shall be destroyed.
- (10) Eggs shall be washed and disinfected by dipping in 0.5% NaOH solution for 40 seconds and washed thoroughly in water and washed eggs shall be dried in shade under fan and after drying shall be packed in muslin cloth bags in units of two hundred grams and labeled.
- (11) During transportation, the eggs shall not be exposed to temperature above 30°C and relative humidity below seventy percent.

- (12) The eggs prepared during the first fortnight of June every year shall be preserved at $8\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ for eight to ten days, if necessary
- (13) The seed producer shall ensure that:
 - (a) the eggs are certified as disease free
 - (b) the weight of eggs per Disease free laying is not less than two grams
 - (c) the hatching of incubated eggs are not less than eighty percent.

13. Quality Standards for production of Muga silkworm seed:

- (1) The grainage rooms and appliances shall be thoroughly cleaned, washed and disinfected.
- (2) Seed cocoons shall be preserved in a single layer at $26-28^{\circ}\text{C}$, 80-85% relative humidity in semi darkness.
- (3) The moths shall be allowed to mate in bamboo cages after two to three hours of emergence in dark for five to six hours.
- (4) The moths shall be decoupled at night and the females shall be allowed to lay eggs in nylon bags for seventy two hours or shall be tied up individually with kharika.
- (4) Individual moth examination shall be done for detecting pebrine incidence and pebrine infected eggs shall be separated and burnt.
- (6) The eggs shall be washed with formalin or bleaching powder solution and packed after drying in shade in muslin cloth bags or wooden frame box in unit of fifty grams and labeled.

14. Quality Standards for production of Eri silkworm seed:

- (1) The grainage rooms and appliances shall be thoroughly cleaned, washed and disinfected.
- (2) The seed cocoons shall be procured and transported only during cooler hours after complete pupation.
- (3) The seed cocoons shall be preserved in single layer at temperature of $26-28^{\circ}\text{C}$ and relative humidity of 75-80% in well ventilated room in semi-darkness.

- (4) The moths shall be preserved in mating cages in dark and allowed for pairing for eight to ten hours.
- (5) Female moths shall be placed in nylon bag or Kharika after decoupling to lay eggs.
- (6) Mother moth examination shall be conducted to detect pebrine incidence.
- (7) Eggs shall be washed in formaldehyde solution, dried and packed in muslin cloth bags or perforated egg boxes in unit of sixty grams and labeled.
- (8) The eggs shall not be exposed to direct sunlight, heat or chemicals and shall be transported only during cool hours.

CHAPTER – 7

15. Conditions and requirements for registration of chawki silkworm rearer:

- (1) The chawki silkworm rearer shall possess a matriculate pass certificate and a certificate course in sericulture from a recognized institution for having undergone training in chawki silkworm rearing for not less than three months in a sericulture institution under State or Central Silk Board or any other recognized institution.

Provided that a chawki silkworm rearer operating the chawki rearing centre before the commencement of these regulations shall not be required to possess the prescribed qualification, but he shall undergo a refresher course training on chawki silkworm rearing for not less than a period of ¹[one week].

- (2) The chawki silkworm rearer shall rear a minimum quantity of 1.5 lakh Disease free layings per annum from the third year of registration.
- (3) The registered chawki rearer shall possess a minimum of two acres of chawki mulberry garden of improved variety with irrigation facility or sufficient mulberry trees.

¹ The words "one month" is substituted by the words "one week" vide notification No. G.S.R. 75 dated 31.3.2015

- (4) The registered chawki rearer shall possess the chawki rearing house with rooms for storing leaf, rearing silkworms and other equipment.
- (5) The registered chawki rearer shall possess the appliances or equipment as specified in Table-2.

Table 2: Equipment/appliances required for setting up chawki rearing centre

| Sl. No | Item | Quantity No |
|--------|------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Chawki rearing stands | 4 |
| 2. | Rearing trays | 400 |
| 3. | Sprayer | 1 |
| 4. | Leaf chopping device | 1 |
| 5. | Humidifier | 2 |
| 6. | Room heater | 2 |
| 7. | Incubation frame | 200 |
| 8. | Brushing nets | 200 |
| 9. | Bed cleaning nets | 400 |
| 10. | Microscope | 1 |
| 11. | Feeding stands | 6 |
| 12. | Iron stand with basin | 2 |
| 13. | Disinfection mask | 1 |
| 14. | Wet and dry bulb thermometer | 2 |
| 15. | Flame gun with cylinder | 1 |
| 16. | Generator | 1 |

16. Conditions to be complied with by the registered chawki silkworm rearer:

The registered chawki silkworm rearer shall:

- (i) procure only the certified hybrid seed from a silkworm seed producer that meet the quality standards as specified in these regulations;

- (ii) rear and transact only the variety or kind of silkworm as indicated in the certificate of registration;
- (iii) not change the venue of the chawki rearing centre without the written permission of the Registration Committee;
- (iv) rear the chawki worms adopting the following method and procedure, namely.
 - (a) the number of larvae per 100 Disease free layings shall be not less than thirty eight thousand in the case of cross breed and not less than forty four thousand in the case of bivoltine hybrids;
 - (b) the larvae shall be of uniform size and should be free from diseases;
 - (c) maintain a mulberry garden;
 - (d) clean, wash and disinfect the rearing house, rearing appliances and the premises before starting each rearing;
 - (e) collect the silkworm eggs, transport during cool hours and shall protect them from direct sunlight and heat shock during transportation;
 - (f) incubate the eggs at 25°C and eighty percent relative humidity;
 - (g) use tender mulberry leaves for rearing the chawki silkworm larvae;
 - (h) ensure hygiene in the chawki rearing house;
 - (i) provide spacing according to the stage of the larvae;
 - (j) ensure that the larvae settle for moult uniformly and feeding is resumed in time and reject the larvae which do not settle for moult and report if such irregularity in growth and performance is more than ten percent, to the nearest Seed Officer.
 - (k) take suitable prophylactic measures during moulting and resumption of feeding after the moult.

- (l) maintain temperature of $28 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ and relative humidity of $85 \pm 5\%$ in the rearing house during chawki silkworm rearing.
- (m) transport the chawki worms during cool hours of the day;
- (v) conduct testing of chawki worms as per the following procedure, namely:
 - (a) weak larvae shall be picked during first and second moult and homogenised with 0.6% K_2CO_3 solution using a mortar and pestle;
 - (b) the homogenate shall be allowed to settle for three minutes in a beaker and filtered;
 - (c) the sediment shall be dissolved in a few drops of 0.6 per cent K_2CO_3 solution and the smears shall be examined under a microscope.
- (vi) not refrigerate the eggs or chawki worms;
- (vii) maintain up to date record of hybrid seed procurement, larvae examination details, disease incidence and disposal of chawki worms and submit quarterly reports in Form-2.
- (viii) give free access to the records and products to the Seed Officer or Seed Analyst or any other officer so appointed or authorised by the Committee, during his visit and provide such assistance as may be required;
- (ix) if there is any incidence of disease, he shall discontinue the rearing and reject and destroy the entire batch of larvae and shall take all prophylactic measures to prevent contamination;
- (x) inform immediately such incidence in writing to the Seed Officer and seed producer with the necessary details such as the source of seed, lot number, date of purchase, date of examination, stage of examination and the details of test results;
- (xi) certify the chawki worms as 'tested ok' if found disease free and authenticate with stamping including his name and date of transaction;

CHAPTER – 8

- 17. Conditions and requirement for registration of a dealer in silkworm seed and chawki silkworms:** The dealer shall possess:
- (i) a matriculate pass certificate and a certificate course in sericulture from a recognized institution for having undergone training in handling of seed, cocoons and chawki silkworm larvae for not less than three months in a sericulture institution under State or Central Silk Board or any other recognized institution;
 - (ii) building to store and preserve the silkworm seed;
 - (iii) equipment or appliances comprising of stands, trays, egg storing cages, hygrometer, room heater, humidifier, electronic balance, power sprayer and incubator.
- 18. Conditions to be complied with by the registered dealer in silkworm seed and chawki silkworms:** A registered dealer shall:
- (i) procure and transact certified seed that meet the quality standards as specified under these regulations;
 - (ii) transact only the kind or variety of silkworm seed as indicated in the certificate of registration;
 - (iii) not change the venue or the premises of business without the written permission of the Registration Committee;
 - (iv) transport silkworm eggs or chawki silkworms only during the cool hours of the day;
 - (v) not refrigerate the cross breed and acid treated bivoltine hybrid silkworm seed beyond the permissible safe period of twenty days from one day after the laid on date;
 - (vi) not re-refrigerate the silkworm eggs;
 - (vii) maintain all the details and documents regarding procurement and disposal of seed and submit quarterly reports in Form-3;

- (viii) give free access to the records and products to the Seed Officer during his visit and assist him in conducting verification of records and tests to ensure that the procedure of seed preservation and standards are followed.
- (ix) authenticate the seed sold by him with stamping including name, date of transaction, stage of the seed sold.

CHAPTER – 9

Export and Import of Silkworm Seed

19. Conditions and standards for export and import of silkworm seed:

- (1) No person shall export or import the silkworm seeds unless:
 - (i) he is a registered seed producer or a registered dealer; and
 - (ii) he possesses export or import license as the case may be;
 - (iii) he has obtained prior permission of the Committee or its authorized representative.
 - (iv) he possesses valid quarantine certificate issued by the Quarantine Authority.
- (2) Every exporter or importer shall abide by the terms and conditions of silkworm seed export and import laid down by the Government of India from time to time.
- (3) Every exporter shall export only hybrid silkworm seed, and shall not export silkworm seed of pure races in any form.
- (4) Every exporter shall get the seed permitted for export, inspected by the quarantine authority who shall seal and mark the same as “Inspected and certified” and such seal shall not be altered or mutilated before exporter.
- (5) Every importer of silkworm seed shall submit a report of the performance of the imported seed to the Committee.

CHAPTER – 10

Criteria for constitution of Silk-worm Seed Certification Agency

20. Criteria for Constitution of Silkworm seed certification agency:

- (1) The agency shall have the required building and equipment and meet the requirements and conditions for conducting the testing and certification of seed as laid down by the Committee from time to time.
- (2) The agency shall follow the testing procedure and methods as laid down by the Committee from time to time.
- (3) The agency shall have the required mobility and knowledge of seed production to assess the requirements and conduct inspections for registration of silk-worm seed producers and dealers.
- (4) The agency shall follow the standard sampling and testing procedure for moths as laid down under these regulations.
- (5) The agency shall assess the requirements and conduct inspections for registration of silkworm seed producers and dealers.

CHAPTER – 11

Seed Testing Laboratory

21. Facilities for Central Seed Testing Laboratory:

- (1) The Central Seed Testing Laboratory shall have the following infrastructure and facilities, namely:
 - (i) Laboratory building;
 - (ii) Phase Contrast Microscope;
 - (iii) Cutter Type Mixer with 10000 rpm;
 - (iv) Centrifuge;
 - (v) Cyclomixer;
 - (vi) Refrigerator.

22. Qualifications of Seed Analyst:

- (1) A person to be appointed as seed Analyst shall be a post graduate in Biological Science from a recognized university and shall have a minimum of five years of experience in the field of Sericulture or silkworm seed production:

Provided that preference shall be given to a person who is working in the accredited laboratories and possess the requisite qualification.

23. Qualification of Seed Officer: A person to be appointed as Seed Officer shall possess a Bachelor's Degree in Biological Science from a recognized university and a Post Graduate Diploma in sericulture or five years of experience in the field of sericulture or silkworm seed production.

24. Powers of the Seed Officer: In addition to the powers conferred by section 8H of the Act, the Seed Officer shall exercise the following powers, namely:

- (i) inspect the site, infrastructure facilities, equipment and assess whether the facilities and requirements as specified under the regulations are met by the applicant for registration;
- (ii) inspect the premises of the parent seed producer and ascertain whether the rearer has a valid registration, the Disease free layings are obtained from the designated basic seed farm or grainage, the rearing house and appliances are disinfected, the crop is free from pebrine and crop conforms to the specified standards;
- (iii) take action to destroy the seed crop if found infected with pebrine after informing the farmer about the crop status;
- (iv) inspect and ascertain whether the seed rearer has sold his cocoons to the registered seed producer or dealer or they are rejected for want of demand or for not meeting quality norms and standards;
- (v) inspect the premises of the seed producer and ascertain whether he has a valid registration and all the facilities and requirements;

- (vi) inspect and ascertain whether the procedures of seed production are followed, seed is examined and certified to be free from pebrine disease, reports and documents are maintained up to date, cleanliness and hygiene is maintained and the records are properly maintained;
- (vii) inspect the seed cocoons and records to confirm whether the seed cocoons were purchased only from the registered parent seed rearer;
- (viii) inspect the chawki silkworm crop of registered chawki silkworm rearer and ascertain whether the chawki rearing house and appliances are disinfected, larvae are examined and certified to be free from pebrine disease, reports and documents are maintained up to date and cleanliness and hygiene is maintained and proper records are maintained.

CHAPTER - 12

25. Production, supply, distribution, trade and commerce in silkworm seed:

The Committee may from time to time lay down such conditions and restrictions on the production, supply, distribution, trade and commerce in silkworm seed as may be deemed necessary to promote trade and commerce in silkworm seed of kind or variety.

Form - 1

(See clause (I) of sub-regulation (2) of regulation 10)

Returns to be submitted by the Registered Seed Producer

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | Name of seed producer | |
| 2 | Registration No. | |
| 3 | Progress for the quarter ending | |
| 4 | Seed Production | |
| | a) No. of lots variety wise | |
| | b) Quantity of seed cocoons procured variety wise (by number and weight in kg) | |
| | c) Seed cocoon ratio (male & female parents) | |
| | d) Quantity of seed produced variety wise i) By number ii) By weight in case of loose eggs | |
| | e) Average % of pairs | |
| | f) Average % of Disease free layings | |
| | g) Average loose egg recovery / kg of seed cocoons | |
| | h) Incidence of pebrine, if any- furnish lot wise and source wise details & stage of incidence | |
| | i) % of pairs below norms, lot wise and source wise details | |

Declaration

I hereby declare that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and information.

Signature of the registered seed producer

Date :

Place:

Form - 2

**Statement to be submitted by the
Registered Chawki silk-worm rearer**

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | Name of the chawki silkworm rearer | |
| 2 | Registration No. | |
| 3 | Progress for the quarter ending | Year - (June / September / December / March) |
| 4 | Chawki rearing details (furnish lot-wise & variety-wise) a) Source and quantity of seed purchased (variety- wise by number) b) Quantity of seed chawki reared variety- wise (by number) c) Quantity of chawki silkworms sold variety-wise d) Incidence of diseases, if any, during chawki stage (batch-wise and source- wise details) | |

Declaration

I hereby declare that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and information.

Signature of the registered chawki silk-worm rearer

Date:

Place:

Form - 3

(See clause (vii) of regulation -18)

**Returns to be submitted by the
Registered Dealer in silk-worm seed and chawki silk-worm**

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | Name of the dealer | |
| 2 | Registration No. | |
| 3 | Progress for the quarter ending | Year - |
| | | (June / September / December / March) |
| 4 | Chawki rearing details (furnish lot-wise variety-wise) | |
| | a) Quantity of seed purchased (variety wise by number) | |
| | b) Quantity of seed Chawki reare variety- wise (by number) | |
| | c) Quantity of chawki silkworms sold variety-wise | |
| | d) Incidence of diseases, if any, during chawki stage (batch-wise and source- wise details) | |
| 5 | Seed details (batch-wise) | |
| | a) Quantity of seed purchased variety-wise (by number) | |

Declaration

I hereby declare that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and information.

Signature of the registered dealer

Date :

Place: