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PART III—Acts of the West Bengal Legislature.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

LAW DEPARTMENT

Legislative

NOTIFICATION

No. 1174-L.—16th October, 2017.—The following Act of the West Bengal Legislature, having been assented to by the Governor, is hereby published for general information:—

West Bengal Act XXXVIII of 2017

**THE WEST BENGAL PANCHAYAT ELECTIONS
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017.**

[Passed by the West Bengal Legislature.]

*[Assent of the Governor was first published in the Kolkata Gazette,
Extraordinary, of the 16th October, 2017.]*

An Act to amend the West Bengal Panchayat Elections Act, 2003.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the West Bengal *Panchayat Elections Act, 2003*, for the purposes and in the manner hereinafter appearing;

West Ben. Act
XXI of 2003.

It is hereby enacted in the Sixty-eighth year of the Republic of India, by the Legislature of West Bengal, as follows:—

Short title and
commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the West Bengal *Panchayat Elections (Amendment) Act, 2017*.

(2) It shall come into force on such date or dates as the State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, appoint.

*The West Bengal Panchayat Elections
(Amendment) Act, 2017.*

(Section 2.)

Amendment of
section 10 of
West Ben. Act
XXI of 2003.

2. For section 10 of the West Bengal Panchayat Elections Act, 2003, the following section shall be substituted:—

“Simultaneous membership to Assembly or Parliament and Panchayats in respect of a member of Panchayat Samiti or Zilla Parishad or Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad.

10. (1) A member of *Gram Panchayat*, on being elected to the Legislative Assembly or the Parliament or a member of the Legislative Assembly or the Parliament, on being elected to the *Gram Panchayat*, shall tender his resignation immediately from any of the elected offices in order to participate subsequently as a member in other elected office.

(2) A member of *Panchayat Samiti* or *Zilla Parishad* or *Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad*, on being elected to the Legislative Assembly or the Parliament or a member of the Legislative Assembly or the Parliament, on being elected to the *Panchayat Samiti* or *Zilla Parishad* or *Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad*, may hold simultaneous membership to the Assembly or Parliament along with the *Panchayat Samiti* or *Zilla Parishad* or *Siliguri Mahakuma Parishad*.”.

By order of the Governor,

MADHUMATI MITRA,
Secy. to the Govt. of West Bengal,
Law Department.