



ORDINANCE No. 10 of 1960.

BRITISH GUIANA RICE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION
(AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1960.



I assent.

Governor.

29 February, 1960.

BRITISH GUIANA.

Arrangement of Sections.

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AN ORDINANCE to amend the British Guiana Rice Producers Association Ordinance.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

A.D. 1960.

Short title.

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1. This Ordinance may be cited as the British Guiana Rice Producers Association (Amendment) Ordinance, 1960, and shall be construed and read with the British Guiana Rice Producers Association Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Amendment of section 2 of Chapter 250.

2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended —
- (a) by the insertion after the definition of the expression “District Association” of the following new definition —
 ““Executive Committee” means the Executive Committee established under section 5A of this Ordinance;”;
 - (b) by the insertion after the definition of the expression “industry” of the following new definition —
 ““Minister” means the Member of the Executive Council for the time being charged with responsibility for the subject of agriculture;”.

Amendment of paragraph (c) of section 4 of Chapter 250.

3. Paragraph (c) of section 4 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “appointed by the Governor” of the words “nominated by the Council and appointed by the Minister”.

Amendment of section 5 of Chapter 250.

4. Section 5 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended —
- (a) by the repeal of subsections (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) and the substitution therefor of the following subsections —
 - “(2) The members of the Council shall be—
 - (a) the Director of Agriculture or his duly authorised representative;
 - (b) one member of the Committee of each District Association appointed in accordance with the provisions of the regulations; and
 - (c) four other persons elected by the members appointed under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subsection at a meeting held in pursuance of the regulations.

(3) If any person appointed under paragraph (b) of the preceding subsection ceases to be a member of the Committee of a District Association, his appointment as a member of the Council shall cease to have effect without prejudice to anything previously done by him in pursuance thereof, and the Committee of the District Association of which such person was a member shall appoint another of its members in his place.

(4) The Council shall be constituted as hereinbefore provided for a period of two years commencing with the day on which members who are appointed or elected as aforesaid take office and shall, in like manner, be reconstituted for each period of two years commencing immediately after a period for which the Council was constituted or reconstituted under the provisions of this subsection.

(5) The Council shall, at its first meeting during each period for which it is so constituted or reconstituted, elect from among its members a President, a Senior Vice-President and a Junior Vice-President as officers of the Council and shall report to the Minister the names of its members and officers.

(6) The Council shall have power to fill by appointment any vacancy therein (whether occasioned by death, resignation or any other cause) in respect of any member other than the Director of Agriculture, or officer of the Council for the unexpired portion of the term of office of such member or officer.”;

- (b) by the repeal of subsections (8) and (9) and the substitution therefor of the following subsections —

“(8) The seat of a member of the Council other than the Director of Agriculture shall become vacant if he fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council:

Provided that the Council may grant leave of absence to any member thereof.

(9) The Council may appoint some fit and proper person to be General Secretary of the Association and such other officers and servants of the Association as may be necessary, and may pay any person so appointed such remuneration out of the funds of the Association as the Council considers adequate, and may dismiss any such person.

(10) In the event of there being any equality of votes between candidates qualifying for any office or seat at an election held under any provisions of this section, the candidate who was first in order of nomination shall be deemed to have been elected in accordance with such provisions.”

- (c) by renumbering subsection (10) as subsection (11).

5. The Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the insertion after section 5 of the following section —

5A. (1) There shall be established an Executive Committee of the Council consisting of five members, being the President and Vice-Presidents of the Council

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and two other members thereof who shall be appointed by the Council at its first meeting during each period for which it is constituted or reconstituted under the provisions of the preceding section:

Provided that if the seat of any member of the Executive Committee becomes vacant, by reason of his ceasing to be a member of the Council or resigning from the Executive Committee or otherwise, the Council shall appoint another of its members in his place.

(2) Subject to the directions and general control of the Council, the Executive Committee may, in the name and on behalf of the Council, exercise the powers, duties and functions of the Council under this Ordinance not being a power, duty or function of the Council under paragraph (c) of section 4, section 5 exclusive of subsection (1) thereof, this section, section 6, subsection (3) of section 8 or subsection (3) of section 9 of this Ordinance.

(3) The seat of a member of the Executive Committee shall become vacant if he fails to attend three consecutive meetings thereof and if the seat of the President or a Vice-President becomes vacant under the provisions of this subsection he shall cease to be the President or a Vice-President of the Council, as the case may be:

Provided that the Council may grant leave of absence to any member of the Executive Committee.

(4) Any two members of the Executive Committee may, by a minute under their hands addressed to the General Secretary of the Association, require him to submit for the consideration and decision of the Council any matters relating to the business of the Association.

6. Section 6 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the repeal of subsections (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7) and the substitution therefor of the following subsections —

“(3) The management of the affairs of a District Association shall be vested in a Committee consisting of seven members being —

(a) a Chairman;

(b) a Vice-Chairman; and

(c) five other members of the District Association.

(4) Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, a Committee shall be elected for each District Association by members thereof in every alternate year and the members of a Committee shall hold office until the election of another Committee for the District Association.

(5) A Committee shall meet at least once in every month.

(6) The seat of a member of the Committee shall become vacant if he fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Committee:

Provided that the Committee may grant leave of absence to any member thereof.

(7) A Committee shall have power to fill by appointment any vacancy therein (whether occasioned by death, resignation or any other cause) in respect of any member or officer thereof for the unexpired portion of his term of office."

7. Section 8 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended — Amendment of
section 8 of
Chapter 250.

(a) by the insertion after the word "Council," in paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of the words "the Executive Committee,";

(b) by the insertion after the word "Association" in paragraph (e) of subsection (2) of the words "and of the Field Representative of a Committee";

(c) by the insertion after the words "by the Council" in paragraph (g) of subsection (2) of the words "the Executive Committee,".

8. Section 9 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended — Amendment of
section 9 of
Chapter 250.

(a) by the repeal of subsection (5) and the substitution therefor of the following subsection —

"(5) The reasonable travelling and subsistence expenses incurred by members of the Council in attending meetings of the Council or the Executive Committee, or by any officer or servant of the Association appointed by the Council in visiting in the performance of his duties areas outside the City of Georgetown as defined in the Georgetown Town Council Ordinance or any Ordinance amending the same, shall be paid by the Council out of its funds.";

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(b) by the substitution for the words "Chief" and "the Gazette" in subsection (7) of the words "Financial" and "at least one daily newspaper" respectively;

(c) by renumbering subsections (6) and (7) as subsections (7) and (8) respectively; and

(d) by the insertion after subsection (5) of the following subsection —

"(6) The reasonable travelling expenses incurred by the members of a Committee in attending meetings thereof shall be paid by the Committee out of its funds."

Amendment
of Ordinance
No. 10 of
1959.

9. The British Guiana Rice Producers' Association (Special Provisions) Ordinance, 1959, is hereby amended by the substitution for the words "15th February, 1960" and "15th March, 1960" wherever they occur of the words "30th April, 1960" and "31st May, 1960" respectively.

Transitional.

10. Section 3 of this Ordinance shall not come into operation until the 30th April, 1960.

Passed by the Legislative Council this twelfth day of February, nineteen hundred and sixty.


Assistant Clerk of the Legislature.

(M.P. AGR. 108/16/4/1.)
(Leg. Bill 5/1960).