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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.