THE MONOPOLIES AND RESTRICTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1986*

No. 74 of 1986

[24th December, 1986]

An Act further to amend the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Thirty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:

Short title and commencement

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices (Amendment) Act, 1986.
- (2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

- 2. In section 2 of the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after clause (m), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:
 - '(n) "registered consumers' association" means a voluntary association of persons registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or any other law for the time being in force which is formed for the purpose of protecting the interests of consumers generally and is recognised by the Central Government as such association on an application made in this behalf in such form and such manner as may be prescribed.'

Amendment of section 10

3. In section 10 of the principal Act, in clause (a), in sub-clause (i), for the words "from any trade or consumers' association having a membership of not less than twenty-five persons or from twenty-five or more consumers", the words "from any trade association or from any consumer or a registered consumers' association, whether such consumer is a member of that consumers' association or not" shall be substituted.

^{*}This Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 24th December, 1986, and was published for general information in Gazette of India, 26-12-1986, Part II, Section 1, Ext., p. 1 (No. 89).

Amendment of section 11

4. In section 11 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the words, brackets, figure and letter "under sub-clause (i) of clause (a)", the words, brackets, figure and letter "from any association under sub-clause (i) of clause (a)" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 36B

5. In section 36B of the principal Act, in clause (a), for the words "from any trade or consumers' association having a membership of not less than twenty-five persons or from twenty-five or more consumers", the words "from any trade association or from any consumer or a registered consumers' association, whether such consumer is a member of that consumers' association or not" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 36C

6. In section 36C of the principal Act, for the words, brackets and letter "under clause (a)", the words, brackets and letter "by an association under clause (a)" shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 67

- 7. In section 67 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2), clause (aa) shall be relettered as clause (ac) and before clause (ac) as so relettered, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:
 - "(ab) the form and the manner in which an application for recognition shall be made under clause (n) of section 2;"

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