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**Memorandum of Association of  
The Manipur State Rural Livelihoods Mission [MSRLM]**

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**1. Name of the Society**

The name of the Society shall be "Manipur State Rural Livelihoods Mission" (hereinafter referred to as to the Society).

**2. Registered Office**

The Registered Office of the Society shall be *temporarily* located at the Secretariat, Imphal.

**3. Area of operation**

The Society will be responsible for managing the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), now renamed as Aajeevika, throughout the state, or any part thereof, as may be specified and entrusted thereto, by the State Government.

**4. Vision**

- (i) To be a specialized agency for the empowerment and poverty reduction by focusing on livelihoods of the poor and vulnerable
- (ii) To act as an agency to bring convergence between all poverty reduction and empowerment programmes.

**5. Objectives of the Society**

The Society shall function as the apex coordinating organization in the State for the implementation of the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM). The Society shall have the following specific objectives:

- a. Alleviate poverty of poor men and women by improving their capacities and opportunities to participate in and control their own development;
- b. To make necessary interventions to empower active and affinity-based groups of disadvantaged people;
- c. To make necessary interventions to create income security opportunity for the rural poor;
- d. Through village institutions, collaborate and influence Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) to become more effective, accountable and inclusive; and
- e. Bring about coordination, convergence and synergy among the various components of different poverty alleviation programmes of the State and Central governments with a view to accelerating programmes towards elimination of poverty in the State.

**6. Functions of the Society**

- (a) Take all such actions and to enter into all such actions as may appear necessary or incidental for the implementation of the project and in particular for the achievement of the vision and objectives referred to in Articles 4 and 5 above;



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- (b) Formulate guidelines for implementation of the various programs of the Society;
  - (c) Act as Guardian of Rules and "non-negotiable principles" of the Manipur State Rural Livelihoods Mission, and enforce the rules and guidelines for the implementation of the Mission;
  - (d) Cause creation and development of district level societies/district units, including coordinating and guiding their functioning;
  - (e) Accept or provide any grant of money, loan, securities or property of any kind and to undertake and accept the management of any endowment trust, fund or donation not inconsistent with the objectives of the Society;
  - (f) Purchase, hire, take on lease, exchange or otherwise acquire property, movables or immovable and construct, alter and maintain any building or buildings as may be necessary for carrying out the objectives of the Society;
  - (g) Open a bank account, along with the signatories to the account;
  - (h) Receive funds from the State Government or other sources through budget releases and release money to the district societies/district units, based on their requirements and utilization of funds previously released;
  - (i) Incur expenditure after drawing up a budget and with due regard for economy and propriety;
  - (j) Make rules and regulation for the conduct of the affairs of the Society and add or amend, vary or rescind them from as and when required;
  - (k) Establish its own organizational structure with prior approval of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj department and Department of Finance, establish offices and employ, retain or dismiss personnel as required, decide salary and benefit structure for the Society;
  - (l) Accept, make, enclose or otherwise execute cheques, drafts, receipts, bills of exchange or other instruments and securities as required for the conduct of the business of the Society;
  - (m) Enter into contracts without a requirement for government approval, other than by government representatives on the Executive Committee and undertake any legal action that may be necessary to ensure the fulfilment of contracts made between the State Society and others; and
  - (n) Exercise overall responsibility for management of the Mission on behalf of the Government of Manipur within the framework of the NRLM / Aajeevika guidelines.

## 7. Management of the State Society

The management of the affairs of the State Society shall be vested with the Executive Committee as enshrined in the bye-laws framed for the purpose, the first members of which are:

Sl. No.	Members	Position
1	Chief Secretary, Manipur	Chairman
2	Secretary-in-charge (RD & PR)	Vice Chairman
3	Secretary-in-charge (Finance)	Member
4	Director (Agriculture)	Member
5	Director (Institutional Finance)	Member
6	Director (Planning)	Member
7	Director (Veterinary and Animal Husbandry)	Member

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8	Director (Commerce & Industries)	Member
9	Director (Labour & Employment)	Member
10	Director (Social Welfare)	Member
11	Director (Tribal Development & Hills)	Member
12	Convener, State Level Bankers Committee	Member
13	State level representative, NABARD	Member
14	State level representative, RBI	Member
15	1 Representative of Industries Association/Corporate Sector (to be nominated by the State Government)	Member
16	1 Representatives of SHG Federations ( to be nominated by the State Government)	Member
17	State Mission Director (MSRLM)	Member Secretary

8. **Authority to Correspond**

The Member Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Society shall be the authority to correspond on behalf of the Society.

9. **Governing Body of the State Society**

The overall policy guidance for the efficient functioning of the State Society in fulfilling its vision and objectives is entrusted to the Governing Body in accordance with the Rules & Regulations of the Society of which the first members are:

Sl. No.	Members	Position
1	Chief Minister, Manipur	Chairman
2	Minister (RD& PR), Manipur	Vice Chairman
3	Chief Secretary, Manipur	Member
4	Secretary-in-charge (Agriculture)	Member
5	Secretary-in-charge (Finance)	Member
6	Secretary-in-charge (Planning)	Member
7	Secretary-in-charge (Veterinary & Animal Husbandary)	Member
8	Secretary-in-charge (Commerce & Industries)	Member
9	Secretary-in-charge (Labour & Employment)	Member
10	Secretary-in-charge (Social Welfare)	Member
11	Secretary-in-charge (Tribal Development & Hills)	Member
12	Convener, State Level Bankers Committee	Member
13	State level representative, NABARD	Member
14	State level representative, RBI	Member
15	MoRD representative (MoRD to nominate)	Member
16	Director (SIRD)	Member
17	1 Representative of Manipur University (to be nominated by the State Government)	Member
18	1 Representative of Industries Association/Corporate Sector (to be nominated by the State Government)	Member
19	3 representatives of SHG Federations ( to be nominated by the State Government)	Members
20	3 nos. of Experts/NGO representatives (to be	Members



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	nominated by the State Government)	
21	State Mission Director (MSRLM)	Member
22	Secretary-in-charge (RD & PR)	Member Secretary
23	Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Manipal	Member

10. The members **by designation** and their successors shall be treated as Governing Body members in their place.
11. **New members of the Society**  
New members will be appointed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Society.
12. A copy of the Rules and Regulations of the Society certified to be correct by all members of the Governing Body is enclosed herewith. The same is filed with the Registrar along with this Memorandum of Association.

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