J-24/10/2017-CPU Government of India Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs)

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

21st September, 2020

To

The Principal Secretary in charge of Consumer Affairs All States/UTs

Subject: Filling up of vacancies of Presidents and Member in the State Commission and District Commissions.

Sir/Madam

I am directed to say that Section-29 and section-43 provided that the Central Government may, by notification make Rules to provide for the qualification of the appointment, method of recruitment, procedure of recruitment, term of office, resignation and removal of the president and members of the District Commission and the State Commission. Accordingly the Central Government has notified the Consumer Protection (Qualification of the appointment, Method of recruitment, procedure of recruitment, term of office, resignation and removal of the President and Members of the District Commission) Rules, 2020, which have come into force from the 20th July, 2020. Copy of the said Rules is available in the Ministry's website (www.consumeraffairs.nic.in).

2. The vacancies of President and Member in the State Commission and District Commission will henceforth be filled of as per the provisions contained in the said rules. It is also clarified that since the Consumer Protection Act, 1986, has been repealed by the Consumer Protection Act, 2019 and new Rules have come into force, appointment of President and Member, where the selection process has commenced as per old provision and is not yet complete, will also be made under the provisions of the new Rules.

Yours faithfully,

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