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21ST May, 2026

Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014 was enacted to establish an independent, elected body within the Sikh community of Haryana for the first time in Haryana State for the management of Gurdwaras, Institutions and properties of Gurdwaras by the members of the Management Committee elected by the Sikh community of Haryana State. However, the Sikh Sangat who takes part in the affairs of Gurdwaras, their management and administration of

Institutions as well as properties of Gurdwaras situated in Haryana State, especially from the persons who are managing the affairs of Gurdwaras and their properties in Haryana State and particularly the members of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee feel that the Act of 2014 requires some changes. At present, administrative ambiguity and internal non-cooperation hinder the smooth functioning of the newly elected Committee and there is disorder/confusion in the smooth running of the affairs of the Gurdwaras Management Committee elected for the first time in the State of Haryana. Certain members do not cooperate with the working body and some members of the Committee though elected or co-opted are not even fulfilling the required qualifications, as such, they either should be disqualified or removed from the elected/co-opted body of the Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee. At present, no proper function is being performed due to non-

cooperation of the members of Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee, particularly the members who are even not fulfilling the proper qualifications but have been elected/co-opted due to some lapses in the provisions of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014. Some urgent and most essential resolutions could not be passed in the meetings of the Committee because of non-cooperation of such type of members, as such the affairs of the Gurdwaras and the Institutions as well as properties belonging to Gurdwaras, which are under the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee, are suffering because of non-cooperation of such type of members.

Due to the above reasons, the budget for the session 2026-2027 of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee could not be passed for a long time, as a result of which the whole purpose for which a separate Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee was constituted, has

failed to perform the proper functioning of the Committee. The work of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee has been adversely affected which resulted into general demand of the Sikh Sangat of Haryana State for amendment in the provisions of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014 which at present are resulting in creating impediment in the smooth functioning of the Committee and representations have been received by the Commissioner, Gurdwara Elections, Haryana from the Sikh Sangat and particularly the persons adversely affected.

In view of the afore stated facts, to obviate the problems being faced by the Sikh Sangat and by the elected members of the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee and to restore administrative order/ensure robust governance for the smooth functioning, the Haryana State Law Commission is of the opinion that the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014 needs

some amendments/additions so that the goal set for the creation of separate Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras Management Committee could be achieved in letter and spirit. Therefore, the Haryana State Law Commission recommends the amendments to be carried out in the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014 as proposed below: -

HARYANA GOVERNMENT
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT
Notification

The May, 2026

No.Leg. ----- . - The following Act of the Legislature of the State of Haryana received the accent of the Governor of Haryana on _____ 2026, is hereby published for general information: -

HARYANA ACT NO. -----OF 2026

THE HARYANA SIKH GURDWARAS
(MANAGEMENT) AMENDMENT ACT, 2026

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ACT

further to amend the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Haryana in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows. -

1. This Act may be called the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Amendment Act, 2026.
2. In the Haryana Sikh Gurdwaras (Management) Act, 2014(hereinafter called the said Act),

(i) in section 10, for the existing words, figure, bracket and sign:-

10. Qualifications of member. –

(1) A person shall not be qualified to be elected or co-opted as member of the Committee, if such person –

shall be substituted with the following words, figure, bracket and sign: -

10. Disqualifications of Member. –

(1) A person shall be disqualified for being elected, co-opted and being member of the Committee, if such person-

(ii) after clause (k) of Section 10, the following clause shall be added: -

“(l) is or has become member of the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee.”

3. In the said Act, in section 17,

(i) existing clause (c) of sub section (2) shall be substituted with the following: -

“(c) may be removed from his office by a resolution of the Committee passed by simple majority of the total members of the General House:

Provided that no resolution for the purpose of clause (c) shall be moved unless it is supported by not less than fifteen members of the Committee and fifteen days' notice has been given of their intention to move the resolution.”

(ii) after sub section (3) the following sub section shall be inserted: -

“(4) In the case of disqualification referred in clause (1) of sub section (1) of section 10, the Commissioner, Gurdwara Election, shall be the competent authority to remove the member.”
