

HARYANA VIDHAN SABHA

Bill No. 29—HLA OF 2025

**THE HARYANA SHREE MATA BHIMESHWARI DEVI MANDIR
(ASHRAM), BERI SHRINE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025**

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BILL

*further to amend the Haryana Shree Mata Bhimeshwari Devi Mandir
(Ashram), Beri Shrine Act, 2022.*

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

1. This Act may be called the Haryana Shree Mata Bhimeshwari DeviMandir - Short title.
(Ashram), Beri Shrine (Amendment) Act, 2025.
2. For clause (b) of section 8 of the Haryana Shree Mata Bhimeshwari Devi - Amendment of
Mandir (Ashram), Beri Shrine Act, 2022, the following clause shall be substituted, section 8 of
namely:- Haryana Act 25
of 2025.

“(b) is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court;”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

1. The clause (b) of Section 8 of the Act disqualifies any person who is "of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent Court or is a deaf, mute or is suffering from contagious leprosy or any virulent contagious disease" from being nominated as a Member of the Board. The Act was enacted in the year 2025. In compliance of Supreme Court directions dated 07.05.2025 passed in W.P. (c) No. 83 of 2010 titled Federation of Lepy. Organ. (FOLO) Vs. Union of India and in view with the change in the social structure where now physically challenged and terminally ill persons command great acceptability and respect in the society, to continue with the said provision appears unwarranted.
2. Hence, it is necessary to carry out amendment in the Haryana Shree Mata Bhimeshwari Devi Mandir (Ashram), Beri Shrine Act, 2022 (25 of 2025) by way of enacting the Haryana Shree Mata Bhimeshwari Devi Mandir (Ashram), Beri Shrine (Amendment) Bill, 2025.

VIPUL GOEL,
Urban Local Bodies Minister, Haryana.

Chandigarh :
The 16th December, 2025.

Rajiv Prashad,
Secretary.

N.B.— The above Bill was published in the Haryana Government Gazette (Extraordinary), dated the 16th December, 2025, under proviso to Rule 128 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Haryana Legislative Assembly.

ANNEXURE
EXTRACT FROM THE HARYANA SHREE MATA BHIMESHWARI DEVI
MANDIR (ASHRAM), BERI SHRINE ACT, 2022

8. Disqualification for membership of Board.- A person shall be disqualified for being nominated as a member of the Board, if he,–

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(b) if he is of unsound mind and stand so declared by a competent court or if he is a deaf, mute, or is, suffering from contagious leprosy or any virulent contagious disease;

