

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1444**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025

**COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES UNDER RTI**

1444: SMT. SULATA DEO:  
SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Central Government is contemplating to bring the Cooperative Societies under RTI?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION  
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) No Sir. The Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 is applicable to only public authorities. However, a provision under amended section 106 of Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002 (as amended in 2023) has been made to appoint Cooperative Information Officer by all multi-State cooperative societies to provide information relating to affairs and management of the society to the members of the society.

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