

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 199

ANSWERED ON 11TH MARCH, 2026

Job creation through cooperative societies

199 # Shri Pradip Kumar Varma:

Will the Minister of Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated number of jobs created through the cooperative sector during the last three years;
- (b) the number of members engaged in dairy, fisheries and agricultural cooperatives;
- (c) the assistance provided by the Central Government for promoting cooperative entrepreneurship; and
- (d) the targets for cooperative employment expansion in the coming years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 199 “JOB CREATION THROUGH COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES” ASKED BY SHRI PRADIP KUMAR VARMA, HON’BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT DUE FOR REPLY ON 11TH MARCH, 2026.

- (a) No such estimate has been carried out by the Ministry.
- (b) As per the National Cooperative Database (NCD), the State-wise total number of Dairy, Fishery and Agriculture & Allied Cooperative Societies, along with their number of members, is attached as **Annexure-1**.
- (c) The National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) provides financial assistance for development of Cooperative Societies engaged in agriculture, agro-processing, dairy, fisheries, storage, marketing and other allied activities. This facilitates income generation and employment opportunities for farmers, fishermen, rural artisans and other stakeholders. As on 25.02.2026, NCDC has cumulatively disbursed ₹5,16,122.32 crore for the development of cooperative institutions across the country. The details of sector-wise disbursement during last four years are provided at **Annexure-2**.
- (d) The Ministry of Cooperation has taken a series of reformative steps/initiatives to strengthen the cooperative sector and to make the cooperative societies vibrant economic entities. These initiatives are likely to result in generation of employment in large numbers, particularly in rural areas.

Annexure-1

Number of Dairy/Fishery/Agriculture & Allied Cooperative Societies and Members

Sl. No.	State/UT	Dairy Cooperatives		Fishery Cooperatives		Agriculture & Allied Cooperatives	
		Total no. of societies	Members	Total no. of societies	Members	Total no. of societies	Members
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	48	736	136	3,829	25	759
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,138	34,092	2,076	2,19,864	709	54,986
3	Arunachal Pradesh	47	975	35	534	190	5,400
4	Assam	1,537	46,490	646	51,411	704	27,810
5	Bihar	12,239	731,900	498	4,82,247	1,533	90,646
6	Chandigarh	11	131	0	0	1	592
7	Chhattisgarh	1,088	31,667	2,002	59,481	83	5,154
8	Delhi	27	49	0	0	66	822
9	Goa	189	18,428	28	2,021	107	4,043
10	Gujarat	17,294	32,95,067	708	1,05,649	7,100	5,11,357
11	Haryana	7,449	2,28,093	130	1,446	423	14,785
12	Himachal Pradesh	1,218	39,864	79	9,884	78	11,864
13	Jammu & Kashmir	2,315	32,805	50	1,139	764	22,607
14	Jharkhand	432	14,889	948	53,701	993	37,557
15	Karnataka	18,699	29,79,215	789	3,32,739	511	4,17,187
16	Kerala	3,433	12,31,040	993	4,14,598	230	1,42,656
17	Ladakh	79	5,302	3	90	1	3,440
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	10	2,525	1	11
19	Madhya Pradesh	10,692	3,41,958	2,976	1,19,676	3,600	4,94,911
20	Maharashtra	13,597	10,72,086	3,408	4,63,423	3,616	4,72,894
21	Manipur	903	15,440	969	22,779	591	16,264
22	Meghalaya	197	4,490	132	3,572	199	13,595
23	Mizoram	75	2,685	61	1,968	287	12,497
24	Nagaland	141	1,149	395	4,800	1,889	39,848
25	Odisha	1,798	1,13,676	815	1,48,123	116	39,200
26	Puducherry	122	60,059	70	73,156	1	121
27	Punjab	7,885	2,66,990	60	721	368	20,476
28	Rajasthan	19,373	5,81,328	206	3,278	921	63,544
29	Sikkim	461	11,987	16	212	45	859
30	Tamil Nadu	10,719	14,68,720	1,483	7,32,939	33	16,111
31	Telangana	2,273	71,825	5,087	3,46,395	880	29,199
32	DNH & DD	33	687	22	4,607	14	270
33	Tripura	342	5,807	324	25,235	137	11,144
34	Uttar Pradesh	16,031	5,12,567	1,608	55,461	1,243	58,74,662
35	Uttarakhand	3,040	1,46,025	329	3,709	223	7,651
36	West Bengal	2,304	38,279	383	61,706	112	11,311
	Total	1,57,229	1,34,06,501	27,475	38,12,918	27,794	84,76,233

Source: NCD portal as of 01.03.2026.

Sector-wise financial assistance provided by NCDC during the last four years (Rs. in crore)

S.No	Activity	2022-23			2023-24			2024-25			2025-26 (as on 25.02.2026)			
		Loan	Grants	Total	Loan	Grants	Total	Loan	Grants	Total	Loan	Grants	Total	
1	Marketing	27984.01	0.73	27984.74	52904.07	1.51	52905.58	77,942.67	0.06	77,942.73	93,449.82	0.04	93,449.86	
	Inputs	2.19	44.76	46.95	2.75	11.30	14.05	3.00	-	3.00	16.29	-	16.29	
2(A)	Sugar Factories	694.25	0.00	694.25	2176.31	0.00	2176.31	7,925.54	-	7,925.54	4,506.28	-	4,506.28	
2(B)	Textile	79.48	24.77	104.25	34.90	9.45	44.35	168.15	3.15	171.30	-	16.71	16.71	
2(C)	Other Processing Units	1.45	0.13	1.58	1.44	1.56	3.00	2.90	1.11	4.01	3,001.14	1.10	3,002.24	
	Total (2)	775.18	24.90	800.08	2,212.65	11.01	2,223.66	8,096.59	4.26	8,100.85	7,507.42	17.81	7,525.23	
3	Storage	4.27	0.58	4.85	7.13	0.96	8.09	28.14	7.69	35.83	4.22	0.82	5.04	
4	Cold Chain	-	-	0.00	8.40	2.66	11.06	23.90	-	23.90			-	
5	Weaker Section Prog.													
	i	Fishery Cooperative	107.10	192.31	299.41	29.96	11.81	41.77	20.91	53.08	73.99	0.02	0.07	0.09
	ii	Dairy/Livestock	166.89	97.81	264.70	44.27	257.18	301.45	35.01	10.97	45.98	493.38	0.45	493.83
	iii	Poultry	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			-			-
	iv	Tribal, S/C Cooperative	-	-	0.00	1.69	0.00	1.69	0.56	-	0.56			-
	v	Handloom Cooperative	4.54	24.03	28.57	0.23	0.00	0.23	1.52	-	1.52			-
	vi	Powerloom	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			-			-
	vii	Women Cooperative	-	-	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.05		0.05	0.15		0.15
	vii	Coir	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			-	15.00		15.00
	vii	Jute/Sericulture	-	8.76	8.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.06	-	1.06	0.20		0.20
		Total (5)	278.53	322.91	601.44	76.20	268.99	345.19	59.11	64.05	123.16	508.75	0.52	509.27
6	Computerisation of Coop.	5.71	39.31	45.02	0.00	0.42	0.42	-	4.58	4.58	-	0.23	0.23	
7	Consumer Coop.	0.92	0.11	1.03	3.40	0.73	4.13			-	-	-	-	
8	ICDP	139.91	37.96	177.87	2.11	21.16	23.27	1.44	0.18	1.62	-	-	-	
9	C,IC&SC	11322.3	0	11322.3	5000.77	0.00	5000.77	8,874.77	-	8,874.77	9,680.31	-	9,680.31	

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10	Yuva Sahakar	0.05	-	0.05	1.08	0.00	1.08	0.69	-	0.69	0.39	-	0.39
11	P&D	0.22	6.29	6.51	0.00	6.73	6.73			-			-
12	FPO	-	38.25	38.25	0.00	48.33	48.33	-	71.75	71.75	-	114.74	114.74
13	FFPO	-	2.31	2.31	0.00	26.11	26.11			-		37.38	37.38
14	Agri Export & Export Promotion			-			-			-	175.00	-	175.00
	GRAND TOTAL (1 to14)	40,513.29	518.11	41,031.40	60,218.56	399.91	60,618.47	95,030.31	152.57	95,182.88	1,11,342.20	171.54	1,11,513.74
