

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

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Creation of a National Database of cooperative societies

327 # Shri Aditya Prasad:

Will the Minister of Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is creating any National-Level Database of cooperative societies, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the types of cooperative societies included in this database;
- (c) the timeline by which the database is likely to be made available for the use of various stakeholders;
- (d) whether Government has any proposal to collect sector-specific data on cooperative societies;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether Government has made any provision for data verification and regular updating of such database; and
- (g) the expected benefits from the database?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India, with the support of the States/UTs, has already developed the National Cooperative Database (NCD). The NCD portal was launched on 08.03.2024. The database provides a single-point access to information on over 8.5 lakh cooperatives across the country, having approximately 32 crore members. It includes data on parameters such as location, membership, economic activities, infrastructure, financial performance and Audit details.

(b) The National Cooperative Database covers different types of cooperative societies and federations, including Primary Cooperative Societies; Block-level, District-level, State-level and National-level federations; Multi State Cooperative Societies; and State and District Cooperative Banks.

(c) The National Cooperative Database was developed in three phases. Subsequently, the NCD portal has been upgraded with several new features and functionalities. The upgraded NCD portal 3.0 was launched on 06.07.2026. The database is accessible at <https://cooperatives.gov.in>.

(d) & (e) Yes Sir. The National Cooperative Database provides information on cooperative societies across 30 Sectors. The sector-wise details of total number of primary cooperative societies across the country are attached at **Annexure-1**.

(f) The data of the Cooperative Societies is collected, entered, and updated on a regular basis through the NCD portal by nodal officers appointed by the States/ UTs for this purpose.

(g) The National Cooperative Database (NCD) serves as an important tool for identification of gaps in the geographical spread of cooperatives, thereby supporting the formation of new multipurpose PACS/dairy/fisheries cooperative societies. It also enables the development of the Cooperative Ranking Framework, and assists in estimating the contribution of cooperative societies to India's economy in terms of Gross Value Added (GVA) and employment generation. The database can be used by policy makers, State Governments and other stakeholders to strengthen the cooperative movement, particularly in areas where societies are underperforming.

Sector-wise details of total number of primary cooperative societies

S. No.	Sector	Number of Societies
1	Agriculture & Allied Cooperative	27,600
2	Agro-Processing / Industrial Cooperative	20,809
3	Bee Farming Cooperative	361
4	Consumer Cooperative	22,779
5	Credit & Thrift Society	83,928
6	Dairy Cooperative	1,58,216
7	Educational & Training Cooperatives	1,605
8	Fishery Cooperative	27,669
	Farmers Service Societies (FSS)	604
9	Handicraft Cooperative	5,223
10	Handloom Textile & Weavers Cooperative	19,433
11	Housing Cooperative Society	1,95,411
12	Jute and Coir Cooperative	61
13	Khadi Gramodyog	224
14	Labour Cooperative	47,182
	Large Area Multi-Purpose Cooperative Societies (LAMPS)	6,171
15	Livestock & Poultry Cooperative	16,916
16	Marketing Cooperative Society	10,162
17	Miscellaneous Credit Cooperative Society	7,608
18	Miscellaneous Non-Credit	34,969
19	Multipurpose Cooperative	22,174
20	Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS)	1,06,126
21	Sericulture Cooperative	733
22	Social Welfare & Cultural Cooperative	2,535
23	Sugar Mills Cooperative	280
24	Tourism Cooperative	631
25	Transport Cooperative	4,175
26	Tribal-SC/ST Cooperative	2,069
27	Urban Cooperative Bank (UCB)	1,447
28	Women Welfare Cooperative Society	26,329
	Total	8,53,430

Source:- NCD portal as of 15.07.2026