

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 328
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd JULY, 2026

Strengthening of cooperative societies in Odisha

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Will the Minister of Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of cooperative societies registered and functioning in Odisha till date;
- (b) the financial assistance provided by the Central Government for their strengthening;
- (c) the schemes being implemented through cooperative societies in the State; and
- (d) the steps taken to improve the functioning of cooperative institutions?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) As per the National Cooperative Database (NCD), as on 15.07.2026, there are a total of 8,667 cooperative societies in Odisha, out of which 8,063 cooperative societies are functional.

(b) To strengthen cooperative societies, the Government launched the Central Sector project for Computerization of PACS, in 2022. Initially, 63,000 PACS were approved under the project with a total financial outlay of ₹2,516 crore. The project has now been expanded to cover 79,630 PACS with a revised financial outlay of ₹2,925.39 crore. It aims to bring all functional PACS onto a common ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) based national software. The project also links PACS with NABARD through State Cooperative Banks (StCBs) and District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs). Odisha joined the project in 2025. A total of 4,240 PACS have been sanctioned under the PACS computerization project in Odisha. Under the project, financial assistance of ₹25.07 crore has been provided to Odisha. This includes ₹18.07 crore during FY 2025–26 and ₹7.00 crore during FY 2026–27.

Additionally, as on 30.06.2026, the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) has cumulatively disbursed ₹3,352.03 crore for the development of the cooperative sector in Odisha. The year-wise details of the amount disbursed during the last five years are given at **Annexure-1**.

(c) The Ministry of Cooperation, since its inception on 06.07.2021, has undertaken several initiatives to realize the vision of “Sahakar-se-Samriddhi” and to enhance the cooperative growth across the country including Odisha. Key areas of initiatives include:

- i. Making Primary Cooperatives economically vibrant and transparent;
- ii. Strengthening the Urban and Rural Cooperative Banks;
- iii. Relief to Cooperative Societies in the Income Tax Act;
- iv. Revival of Cooperative Sugar Mills;
- v. Three new National Level Multi-State Societies;
- vi. Capacity Building in Cooperatives;
- vii. Use of Information Technology for ‘Ease of Doing Business’;
- viii. Creation of National Cooperative Database (NCD);
- ix. National Cooperation Policy (NCP);
- x. Establishment of Tribhuvan Sahkari University
- xi. Other Initiatives

(d) The Ministry of Cooperation has taken proactive measures to convert Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), Dairy, and Fisheries Cooperatives into Multipurpose cooperative societies. This initiative aims to enhance business diversification, strengthen financial sustainability, and prevent closures by enabling cooperatives to engage in a wider range of economic activities. The NCD is used 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 to promote healthy competition.

Additionally, the Ministry of Cooperation has set up Co-operative Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Development Fund under section 63A of the Multi-State Cooperative Societies (MSCS) (Amendment) Act, 2023 for revival of sick multi-State cooperative societies and providing assistance for meeting infrastructural requirement.

Annexure-1**Last 5 Years Activity wise Disbursement in Odisha by NCDC****(Rs.in crore)**

S. No.	Activity	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27 as on 30.06.2026
1	Marketing	0.63			0.40	-	1.10
2	Service Coop.	3.02			0.20	0.15	
3	Dairy & Live Stock			0.30	0.39	0.12	
4	FPO	0.27	1.14	2.04	1.95	2.22	0.43
5	Fisheries	0.15	0.07	0.04			
6	Fisheries FFPO		0.40	0.87	2.47	3.55	
7	Computerisation					0.61	
8	Storage				0.48	0.38	
	Total	4.07	1.61	3.25	5.89	7.03	1.53