

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1396  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12/12/2023**

**Connecting PACS with National Integrated Software**

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Will the Minister of COOPERATION (सहकारिता मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Primary Agricultural Credit Society(PACS) are being connected to the National Integrated Software by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the manner in which the said linking will enhance the efficiency of PACS?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION  
सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)**

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. In order to strengthen Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), project for Computerization of 63,000 functional PACS with a total financial outlay of ₹2,516 Crore has been approved by the Government of India, which entails bringing all the functional PACS onto an ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) based common national software, linking them with NABARD through State Cooperative Banks (StCBs) and District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs). Proposals to computerize 62,318 PACS across 28 States/ UTs have been sanctioned. The Software has already been developed by NABARD and ERP trial run has started in 5,673 PACS in 26 States/ UTs so far. Hardware procurement and digitization of legacy data by the States and Union Territories are under process.

The project will improve the work efficiency of PACS by ensuring speedy disbursal of loans, lowering of transaction costs, reducing imbalances in payments, seamless accounting with DCCBs and StCBs and will also increase transparency. It will enhance trustworthiness in the working of PACS among farmers.

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