GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 523 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/02/2024

Digitization of PACSs

523. MS. DEBASREE CHAUDHURI:

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

(a) the status of digitization of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) along with data for implementation of the Scheme/Project of Digitalization of PACSs, State-wise;

(b) whether the PACSs are using a common software and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken for digitization under common software and platform of Core Banking Solution (CBS)?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) to (c): In order to strengthen Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), the 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).

So far, proposals for computerization of 62,318 PACS from 28 States/ UTs have been sanctioned, for which Rs. 488.42 Cr. has been released as GoI share to the States/UTs concerned. The National Level Common Software for the project has been developed by NABARD and 15,783 PACS have been onboarded on ERP in 27 States/ UTs so far. Hardware procurement and digitization of legacy data by the States and Union Territories are under process. State-wise details of number of PACS sanctioned, onboarded on ERP and GoI share released, are enclosed as **Annexure.**

Implementation of Common Accounting System (CAS) and Management Information System (MIS) at PACS level under this project would improve governance and transparency in PACS, thus leading to speedy disbursal of loans, lowering of transaction cost, reduction in imbalances in payments, seamless accounting with DCCBs and StCBs and will also increase efficiency. It will enhance trustworthiness in the working of PACS among farmers, thus contributing towards realizing the vision of "Sahakar se Samridhi".

Annexure

Status of Computerization of PACS P	roject
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S. No.	States	No. of PACS Sanctioned	No. of PACS onboarded on ERP	GoI Share released in FY 2022-23 & 2023-24 (in crore)
1	Andhra Pradesh	2,037	12	14.93
2	Arunachal Pradesh	14	14	0.21
3	Assam	583	562	6.41
4	Bihar	4,495	2,626	32.95
5	Chhattisgarh	2,028	64	14.86
6	Goa	58	12	0.32
7	Haryana	711	100	4.85
8	Himachal Pradesh	870	634	13.22
9	Jharkhand	1,500	1,275	10.99
10	Karnataka	5,491	13	40.25
11	Madhya Pradesh	4,534	2,557	45.94
12	Maharashtra	12,000	2,440	87.95
13	Manipur	232	-	2.55
14	Meghalaya	112	27	1.23
15	Mizoram	25	23	0.27
16	Nagaland	33	33	0.50
17	Punjab	3,482	20	25.52
18	Rajasthan	5,585	1,170	43.81
19	Sikkim	107	107	1.63
20	Tamil Nadu	4,532	19	33.2
21	Tripura	268	128	2.95
22	Uttar Pradesh	3,062	1,539	24.68
23	West Bengal	4,167	15	30.54
24	Gujarat	5,754	1,949	42.17
25	Jammu & Kashmir	537	351	5.25
26	Puducherry	45	37	0.60
27	Andaman & Nicobar	46	46	0.52
28	Ladakh	10	10	0.12
Total		62,318	15,783	488.42