

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5431**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2022

**UTILISATION OF POTENTIAL OF COOPERATIVES**

5431. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

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

- a) whether the Government has any plans to develop a roadmap for effective utilization of the potential of the cooperative sector in all parts of the country;
- b) if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government intends to formulate a plan in the near future, if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Government has any specific plans in certain States like West Bengal, Jharkhand, North Eastern States which have beginner's advantage to promote cooperative ecosystem particular in sectors like dairy, sugar, etc. to boost the economy; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF COOPERATION  
सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) to (d): Government aims to achieve overall prosperity in the country through the mantra of "Sahakar Se Samridhi". In order to achieve this, Government has created the new Ministry of Cooperation to provide a separate administrative, legal and policy framework for strengthening the cooperative movement in country. Its aim is to deepen co-operatives as a true people-based movement reaching up to the grassroots and to develop a cooperative based economy model where each member works with a spirit of responsibility.

The Government has also initiated steps to formulate a new National Cooperation Policy and new schemes in consultations with various stakeholders including various Ministries/Departments of Central Governments, State Governments, Cooperative Federations etc. This will provide direction as well as momentum to the cooperative movement in the country including in States and Sectors mentioned in part (c) of the question.

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