

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTIONNO. 434  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2022**

**Funds under CSISAC**

**434. MS. MIMI CHAKRABORTY:**

Will the Minister of COOPERATION सहकारितामंत्री be please to state:

- (a) the details of new schemes to be rolled out under the Ministry for theyear 2022-23;
- (b) whether there is any scope for increasing job opportunities in cooperative sectors and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the funds have been allocated under the Central Sector Integrated Scheme on Agriculture Cooperation (CSISAC) for the promotion and development of the cooperative sector across the country especially in West Bengal for the year 2022-23; and
- (d) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION

**सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)**

(a) & (b): In order to make 8.55 lakhs of Primary Cooperatives comprising of nearly 29 crore members in the Indian Cooperative Sector, economically vibrant, the Government has adopted a multi-pronged approach by initiating various steps, of which some are listed below: -

To revitalize the cooperative sector, a centrally sponsored project “Computerization of Primary Agriculture Credit Societies (PACS)” has been approved by the Government, with a budgetary outlay of Rs 2516 crores for digitalization of 63,000 functional PACS which are the grassroot level economic entities of the three-tier rural credit structure. This project will bring transparency and efficiency in their operations in a big way.

In order to diversify the business activities of PACS and make them vibrant multi-purpose economic entities at Village/Panchayat level, draft model Bye-Laws are also being prepared in consultation with the State Governments, National Cooperative Federations and all other stakeholders

The Ministry is also formulating a new scheme titled “Cooperation to Prosperity” for all round development of cooperatives at all levels in consultation with all the stakeholders. For modernizing and professionalizing the education and training in the cooperative sector, steps are being taken to reorient the training and educational Cooperative Institutions in consultation with all the stakeholders, leading to the overall development of the vital sector of economy resulting in creation of huge job opportunities as well.

(c) & (d): The Central Sector Integrated Scheme for Agricultural Cooperation (CSISAC) has since been discontinued and an amount of Rs.50 crore has been earmarked in the budget allocation for the year 2022-23 for committed liabilities under the Scheme for all the States. National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) has provided the following assistance to the cooperatives in West Bengal in last 5 years under the CSISAC Scheme: -

Sl. No.	Year	Disbursement in West Bengal (Rs. in crore)
1	2017-18	16.98
2	2018-19	329.34
3	2019-20	128.35
4	2020-21	59.13
5	2021-22	44.16
	<b>Total</b>	<b>577.96</b>

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