

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1231
ANSWERED ON 03rd December 2024**

Strengthening Cooperatives in Tamil Nadu

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

- (a) the details of measures taken for providing assistance to strengthen cooperatives in Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) the amount and number of loans provided by National Cooperative Development Corporation to cooperatives in Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) The Government has taken several important initiatives to financially strengthen Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) across the country including in the State of Tamil Nadu, such as Computerization of PACS which entails bringing all the functional PACS onto an ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) based common national software which will help in improving their operational efficiency, ensuring speedy disbursement of loans, lowering of transaction costs and increasing transparency; Model Byelaws for PACS which will enable them to diversify their business by undertaking more than 25 business activities, including dairy, fishery, floriculture, setting up godowns, procurement of foodgrains, fertilizers, seeds, LPG/CNG/Petrol/Diesel distributorship, etc.; PACS to function as Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samridhi Kendras providing fertilizers, pesticides and various other agri inputs to farmers at a single shop; PACS to operate as Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras to ensure availability of generic medicines to rural citizens at affordable prices, etc.

(b) National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) a statutory corporation under the administrative control of Ministry of Cooperation provides assistance to cooperatives through its various sponsored schemes and also dovetailed with other Government of India schemes. The financial assistance provided to the cooperatives comprises of loan and subsidy/subvention as per the scheme under which the assistance is availed. Assistance provided /disbursed to the cooperatives in the state of Tamil Nadu is as per the following:

Rs. in crore

S.No.	Activity	FY - 2022-23			FY - 2023-24			FY - 2024-25 (as on dated 25.11.2024)		
		Loan	Subsidy	Total	Loan	Subsidy	Total	Loan	Subsidy	Total
1	Integrated Cooperative Development Project (ICDP)	14.74	2.86	17.60	-	1.42	1.42			0.00
2	Service cooperatives	0.52	0.00	0.52	-		0.00			0.00
3	Fisheries, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojna (PMMSY) & Farmers Producer Organization (FPO)	9.33	3.04	12.37	-	2.85	2.85		2.17	2.17
4.	Dairy							15.50	0.00	15.50
	Total	24.59	5.90	30.49	-	4.27	4.27	15.50	2.17	17.67