

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION**

**LOK SABHA
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National Cooperative Database

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

- a) whether the Government is preparing a National Cooperative Database for cooperative societies;
- b) if so, the details of the points/issues involved in preparing the cooperative database along with the timeline set for the same;
- c) the steps taken by the Government to prepare the database in the cooperative sector and the objectives thereof;
- d) the manner in which the above database will be helpful to policy makers and other stakeholders in the cooperative sector;
- e) whether the State Government and other stakeholders use the said database and if so, the details thereof;
- f) the manner in which the said database will be secured and updated on a real time basis; and
- g) the details of the benefits accruing to the cooperative societies after preparation of the said database?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) & (b) Yes Sir. A comprehensive National Cooperative Database (NCD) has been developed by Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India, with the support of States / UTs. The NCD portal was launched on 08th March, 2024. This database provides a single-point access to information on over 8.30 lakh cooperatives across the country. Further improvements and new data sets with functionalities are added in the NCD as per requirement and is a continuous process.

(c) The National Cooperative Database (NCD) aims to create a comprehensive repository of information on cooperative societies across country. The NCD has been developed in three phases. In Phase-I, completed in February 2023, about 2.64 lakh primary cooperative societies in agriculture, dairy, and fisheries were mapped, with help from district registrar offices and 500 local interns from AICTE. Phase-II involved mapping National Cooperative Societies/Federations and their linkages with state and district levels, gathering data from various cooperative banks and federations. In Phase-III, initiated in May 2023, the database was extended to over 5.3 lakh cooperative societies in other sectors, with data entries completed by almost all States/UTs through their respective RCSs offices.

(d) & (e) The National Cooperative Database is openly accessible at <https://cooperatives.gov.in>. This database can be used by policy makers, State Governments and other stakeholders for work and strengthening of the cooperative movement, particularly in areas where societies are underperforming. The NCD captures data on parameters such as location, membership, economic activities, infrastructure of the cooperatives, financial performance and Audit details aiding in identifying gaps in the geographical spread of cooperatives, including both covered and uncovered gram panchayats.

(f) The NCD portal follows national cybersecurity frameworks and is hosted on a secure, scalable, and reliable cloud-based infrastructure to ensure data privacy and security. The Government is enforcing strict data security policies under the Digital Personal Data Protection Act. The data of the Cooperative Societies is collected, entered, and updated in the database by nodal officers appointed by all the States/ UTs for this purpose.

(g) The NCD provides insights into both vertical and horizontal linkages among cooperatives, offering valuable information about the interconnectedness of these entities within the cooperative ecosystem. This database stands as a versatile and powerful tool, empowering stakeholders with a wealth of information and analytical capabilities, thereby enhancing the overall functionality and governance of Cooperative Societies.
