

Strengthening cooperative societies in Tamil Nadu and Southern States

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- a. As per the National Cooperative Database (NCD), there are a total of 4,532 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) in Tamil Nadu, out of which 4,529 PACS are functional. The State-wise, total number of PACS and number of functional PACS is attached as **Annexure-1**.

The Government framed and notified Model Bye-laws for PACS that enable PACS to undertake more than 25 business activities besides credit activities, and improve governance, transparency and accountability in their operations. Now, PACS can operate as PM-Kisan Samridhi Kendras (PMKSKs), Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs), Common Service Centres (CSC) etc.

- b. The Government has launched the Central Sector Project for Computerization of PACS, in 2022. Government of India initially approved 63,000 PACS under Project of Computerization of functional PACS with a total financial outlay of Rs. 2,516 Crore which has now been increased up to Rs. 2925.39 Crore covering 79,630 PACS which entails bringing all the functional PACS onto an ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) based common national software, linking them with NABARDs, State Cooperative Banks (StCBs) and District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs). The status of project for Tamil Nadu and southern states is at **Annexure-2**.

The timeline for PACS computerization is up to 31st March 2027 for completion of computerization of 63000 PACS, and their integration with portals and higher tiers. Interim targets are being set and monitored from time to time.

- c. The Government is providing financial support under the computerization of PACS project to strengthen cooperative societies across the country, including Tamil Nadu and other southern States. The details are at **Annexure-3**.

- d. To promote and strengthen cooperative societies and their members across the country, including Tamil Nadu and southern States, the Ministry of Cooperation, since its inception on 6th July, 2021, has undertaken several initiatives, that include:

- PACS Computerisation Project, covering more than 79,630 PACS nationwide, including those in Tamil Nadu and southern States, to introduce standardized software, digital accounting, online service delivery and improved transparency.
- Model Byelaws of PACS, enabling diversification of activities such as storage, processing, LPG distribution, and common service centers, ensuring better governance standards and promoting member-centric operations.

- Capacity-building and training programs are being conducted to train PACS officials in digital operations, financial management and service delivery.
- Strengthening of the Three-Tier Cooperative Credit Structure, to improve coordination between PACS, DCCBs and StCBs, ensuring better liquidity management and credit flow.
- World's Largest Decentralized Grain Storage Plan in the Cooperative Sector.
- Creation of National Cooperative Database (NCD), that enables identification of gaps in the geographical spread of cooperatives, including both covered and uncovered gram panchayats and formation of 2 lakh new multipurpose PACS, Dairy and Fishery cooperative societies.
- By leveraging the NCD, policymakers, cooperative leaders, and researchers can work collaboratively to strengthen the cooperative movement in India and contribute to the socio-economic development of the country.
- Establishment of Tribhuvan Sahkari University.

Annexure-I

State/UT-wise total number of PACS

S. No	States/ UTs	Total Number of PACS	Functional PACS
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	47	47
2	Andhra Pradesh	2,058	2,041
3	Arunachal Pradesh	165	162
4	Assam	2,017	1,303
5	Bihar	8,500	8,500
6	Chandigarh	17	4
7	Chhattisgarh	2,479	2,459
8	Delhi	-	-
9	Goa	154	129
10	Gujarat	10,913	10,384
11	Haryana	814	814
12	Himachal Pradesh	2,292	2,197
13	Jammu And Kashmir	803	747

14	Jharkhand	4,459	4,458
15	Karnataka	6,318	6,147
16	Kerala	1,709	1,647
17	Ladakh	163	129
18	Lakshadweep	-	-
19	Madhya Pradesh	5,183	5,176
20	Maharashtra	21,189	21,141
21	Manipur	349	324
22	Meghalaya	812	743
23	Mizoram	158	152
24	Nagaland	1,445	698
25	Odisha	4,255	4,140
26	Puducherry	61	55
27	Punjab	3,917	3,523
28	Rajasthan	8,903	8,886
29	Sikkim	201	199
30	Tamil Nadu	4,532	4,529
31	Telangana	909	908
32	The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	19	17
33	Tripura	547	547
34	Uttar Pradesh	8,434	7,766
35	Uttarakhand	1,275	1,275

36	West Bengal	5,753	4,843
	Total	1,10,850	1,06,090

Source: NCD portal as on 15.11.2025

Annexure-2

PACS Computerization Project Status as of 15th November 2025

S. No	State/UT Name	Sanctioned PACS	ERP Onboarded
1	Andaman and Nicobar	46	
2	Andhra Pradesh	2037	
3	Arunachal Pradesh	139	
4	Assam	850	
5	Bihar	4495	
6	Chhattisgarh	2028	
7	Daman & Diu	9	
8	Goa	86	
9	Gujarat	6216	
10	Haryana	710	
11	Himachal Pradesh	1885	
12	Jammu and Kashmir	708	
13	Jharkhand	2797	

14	Karnataka	5894	
15	Ladakh	10	
16	Madhya Pradesh	5455	
17	Maharashtra	12178	
18	Manipur	308	
19	Meghalaya	330	
20	Mizoram	99	
21	Nagaland	231	
22	Odisha	4240	
23	Puducherry	45	
24	Punjab	3482	
25	Rajasthan	8525	
26	Sikkim	131	
27	Tamil Nadu	4561	
28	Tripura	475	
29	Uttar Pradesh	6257	
30	Uttarakhand	1216	
31	West Bengal	4187	
Grand Total		79630	

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Funds released under PACS Computerization project (Rs. in crore)

S.No	States/UTs	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total	
1	Maharashtra	87.95	33.65	-	9.14	130.73	
2	Rajasthan	23.78	43.3	11	6.76	84.83	
3	Gujarat	-	58.3	22.19	13.48	93.97	
4	Uttar Pradesh	11.28	42.3	-	13.51	67.1	
5	Karnataka	40.25	15.39	-	12.19	67.83	
6	Madhya Pradesh	33.23	25.42	-	7.78	66.43	
7	Tamil Nadu	33.2	12.48	-	6.05	51.73	
8	Bihar	32.95	-	14.66	4.15	51.76	
9	West Bengal	30.54	-	-	15.25	45.79	
10	Punjab	25.52	-	-	7.42	32.94	
11	Andhra Pradesh	14.93	3.74	14.54	2.1	35.31	
12	Chhattisgarh	14.86	-	10.21	3.28	28.35	
13	Himachal Pradesh	9.56	7.32	3.09	6.77	26.74	
14	Jharkhand	10.99	-	-	8.21	34.3	
15	Haryana	4.85	2.44	-	-	8.79	
16	Uttarakhand	-	-	-	-	-	
17	Assam	6.41	2.45	6.39	1.76	17.02	
18	J&K	5.25	1.52	1.85	1.75	10.37	
19	Tripura	2.95	1.13	3.03	-	-	

20	Manipur	2.55	-	-	-	3.14	
21	Nagaland	0.36	2.46	1.6	0.01	4.43	
22	Meghalaya	1.23	-	-	-	2.34	
23	Sikkim	1.18	0.9	0.79	0.41	3.28	
24	Goa	0.32	0.13	0.44	0.31	1.19	
25	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	-	-	-	-	-	
26	Puducherry	0.44	0.17	-	-	0.67	
27	Mizoram	0.27	-	-	0.56	1.27	
28	Arunachal Pradesh	0.15	0.12	0.09	-	-	
29	Ladakh	-	-	-	-	0.12	
30	Odisha	-	-	-	-	18.07	
31	DNH&DD	-	-	-	-	-	
32	Sub-Total	395	257.71	105.54	142.24	900.49	
33	NABARD	100	40.92	25	-	165.92	
	Total	495	298.63	130.54	-	1,066.41	

Note: data as of 25.11.2025.

This information was given by Union Minister for Home and Cooperation Shri Amit Shah in a written reply in Rajya Sabha.

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