

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 438
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st JULY, 2026**

Cooperative Societies in Bhagalpur

†438. **Shri Ajay Kumar Mandal:**

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

- (a) the number of active cooperative societies functioning in Bhagalpur;
- (b) the assistance provided for the strengthening of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS);
- (c) the steps taken for the formation of multipurpose cooperative societies; and
- (d) the special scheme implemented for the digitalization of cooperative institutions?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION
सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)**

- (a) As per the National Cooperative Database, as on 15.07.2026, there are a total of 788 cooperative societies in the Bhagalpur District of Bihar State, out of which 728 cooperative societies are functional.
- (b) To strengthen Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), 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 ₹2,516 Crore which has now been increased up to ₹2925.39 Crore covering 79,630 PACS which entails bringing these functional PACS onto an ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) based common national software, linking them with NABARD through State Cooperative Banks (StCBs) and District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs). The State-wise details of computerization of PACS and the financial assistance provided under the Scheme are attached at **Annexure-1** and **Annexure-2**, respectively.
- (c) The Government of India has approved the plan to establish new multipurpose PACS/dairy/fisheries cooperatives, aiming to cover all panchayats and villages in the country over the next five years. This initiative is supported by National Bank for Agriculture and

Rural Development (NABARD), National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) and State/UT Governments. As per the National Cooperative Database, a total of 38,138 new PACS, Dairy and Fishery Cooperative Societies have been registered; and 21,292 Dairy and Fisheries Cooperative Societies have been strengthened as on 15.07.2026 across the country since the approval of the plan on 15.2.2023.

(d) The Ministry of Cooperation, since its inception on 06.07.2021, has undertaken several initiatives to realize the vision of “Sahakar-se-Samriddhi” and for the digitalization of cooperative institutions, including computerization of the Central Registrar's Office (CRCS), computerization of Registrar of Cooperative Societies (RCS) offices in States/UTs under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, Computerization of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) under Central Sector Project, and computerization of Agriculture and Rural Development Banks (ARDBs).

Annexure-1

State-wise details of computerization of PACS as of 15th July 2026

S. No	State/UTs Name	Approved PACS	Hardware Delivered	ERP Onboarded
1	Andaman and Nicobar	46	46	46
2	Andhra Pradesh	2037	2021	2021
3	Arunachal Pradesh	139	14	14
4	Assam	850	709	581
5	Bihar	4495	4477	4482
6	Chhattisgarh	2028	2028	2028
7	Daman and Diu	9	4	4
8	Goa	86	58	55
9	Gujarat	6216	5754	5760
10	Haryana	710	710	710
11	Himachal Pradesh	1885	1789	1598
12	Jammu and Kashmir	708	537	537
13	Jharkhand	2797	1500	1491
14	Karnataka	5894	5491	4590
15	Ladakh	10	10	10
16	Madhya Pradesh	5455	4536	4536
17	Maharashtra	12178	12000	12033
18	Manipur	308	196	214
19	Meghalaya	330	108	103
20	Mizoram	99	49	45
21	Nagaland	231	231	142
22	Odisha	4240	0	0
23	Pondicherry	45	45	44
24	Punjab	3482	3456	3454
25	Rajasthan	8525	6781	6933
26	Sikkim	131	107	107
27	Tamil Nadu	4561	4532	4481
28	Tripura	475	268	268
29	Uttar Pradesh	6257	3581	3219
30	Uttarakhand	1216	670	668
31	West Bengal	4187	4167	3512
	Total	79630	65875	63686

Annexure-2

**Year wise Amount released under PACS Computerization project (Central Share)
(Rs in Crore)**

S.No	States/UTs	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	Total
1.	Maharashtra	87.95	33.65	-	9.14	20.00	150.73
2.	Gujarat	-	58.30	22.19	10.37	4.00	94.86
3.	Rajasthan	23.78	43.30	11.00	6.76	8.00	92.83
4.	Madhya Pradesh	33.23	25.42	-	4.43	6.00	69.08
5.	Uttar Pradesh	11.28	42.30	-	4.47	10.00	68.06
6.	Karnataka	40.25	15.39	-	12.19	-	67.83
7.	Tamil Nadu	33.20	12.48	-	6.05	4.00	55.73
8.	Bihar	32.95	-	14.66	4.15	2.14	53.90
9.	West Bengal	30.54	-	-	15.25	5.00	50.79
10.	Andhra Pradesh	14.93	3.74	14.54	5.35	0.13	38.69
11.	Himachal Pradesh	9.56	7.32	3.09	12.88	4.19	37.05
12.	Punjab	25.52	-	-	7.42	1.00	33.94
13.	Chhattisgarh	14.86	-	10.21	5.66	2.20	32.93
14.	Jharkhand	10.99	-	15.10	2.02	-	28.11
15.	Odisha	-	-	-	18.07	7.00	25.07
16.	Assam	6.41	2.45	6.39	1.76	1.00	18.02
17.	Jammu & Kashmir	5.25	1.52	1.85	0.28	2.20	11.10
18.	Tripura	2.95	1.13	3.03	1.10	1.84	10.05
19.	Haryana	4.85	2.44	-	1.50	-	8.79
20.	Uttarakhand	-	3.69	-	2.00	-	5.69
21.	Nagaland	0.36	2.46	1.60	0.33	0.66	5.40
22.	Manipur	2.55	-	-	0.59	0.98	4.12
23.	Sikkim	1.18	0.90	0.79	0.00	0.56	3.42
24.	Meghalaya	1.23	-	-	1.11	1.00	3.34
25.	Mizoram	0.27	-	0.44	1.53	0.29	2.53
26.	Goa	0.32	0.13	0.44	-	0.50	1.38
27.	Andaman & Nicobar	-	0.69	-	-	0.50	1.19
28.	Puducherry	0.44	0.17	-	0.06	0.24	0.91
29.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.15	0.12	0.09	-	1.00	1.36
30.	Ladakh	-	0.12	-	0.04	-	0.16
31.	DNH & DD	-	-	0.12	-	-	0.12
32.	Sub-Total	395.00	257.71	105.54	134.52	84.43	977.19
33.	NABARD	100.00	40.92	25.00	-	-	165.92
	Total	495.00	298.63	130.54	134.52	84.43	1,143.11
