GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2242 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23/03/2022

FUNCTIONING OF COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES

2242. SMT MAUSAM NOOR:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any plan to establish a National Cooperative Societies Development Fund to cater financial support to enhance the outreach of cooperative societies in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the steps taken by Government in this regard;
- (c) whether Government has demarcated the powers, jurisdiction, roles and responsibilities of this newly formed Ministry in dealing with Multi State Cooperative Societies and the cooperative societies functioning within the State; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which the Centre would work in the regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF COOPERATION

(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

- (a) & (b): There is no proposal yet.
- (c) & (d): The cooperative societies functioning within the State are governed by the laws of the respective State Government and the cooperative societies functioning in more than one state are governed by the central law, namely, 'the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002 (39 of 2002)'.

The mandate of the Ministry in respect of dealing with Multi-State Cooperative Societies has been stated in the Cabinet Secretariat's Notification dated 6th July, 2021 as under:-

'Incorporation, regulation and winding up of Co-operative societies with objects not confined to one State including administration of 'the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002 (39 of 2002)",

Provided that the administrative Ministry or Department shall be 'the Central Government' for the purpose of exercising powers under the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002 (39 of 2002), for Co-operative units functioning under its control.'
