

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2/2/2022

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR DEVELOPING CO-OPERATIVES

6. Shri Sanjay Singh.

Will the Minister of Cooperation be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has any policy or plans to have a policy on strengthening the existing cooperatives as well as promoting development of co-operatives;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by Government to ensure better cooperation amongst Centre and States for better development of co-operatives;
- (d) whether joint efforts from Centre and States enhance the productivity and generate employment opportunities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION

(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Government is formulating a New Cooperation Policy in consultation with various stakeholders including various Ministries/Departments of Central Government, State Governments, etc. The proposed policy will serve as a framework for the plans and actions of the Central and State Governments for promotion, strengthening and development of cooperatives across the country.

(c) to (e): The Government intends to work in tandem with the States/UTs, and accordingly, has started wide consultations with them on various issues related to the cooperatives. For instance, inputs and suggestions on the proposed New Cooperation Policy have so far been received from 35 stakeholders, including 10 Ministries and 6 State Governments. These joint efforts of Central and State Governments may lead to development of effective policies and schemes and also their smooth implementation eventually leading to increase in productivity in the rural areas.
