

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 961
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13/12/2022**

MAINTAINING CLASSIFIED DATA ON COOPERATIVES

961. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has developed any system of maintaining classified data on cooperative based categories according to their aims and objectives, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Government has any plan to constitute expert groups for each sector under different cooperative categories to assess their current performance and suggest appropriate measures to improve their condition and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government has firmed up any new effective model for introduction under the cooperative sector to benefit common people therein, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION

सहकारिता मंत्री (SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a): Ministry of Cooperation has initiated process of developing a National Cooperative Database with proactive participation of various States/UTs, NCUI and National Federations and statutory bodies such as NABARD, NDDDB, NFDB, etc. for having an authentic & updated data repository of cooperatives working in all sectors all over the country. The proposed Database shall facilitate all stakeholders in policy making & implementation to strengthen the cooperative movement in the country. In the first phase of development of National Cooperative Database, data collection of cooperatives of three sectors i.e. PACS, Dairy and Fisheries is being taken up.

(b): No Sir.

(c): Yes Sir. Ministry of Cooperation has prepared model byelaws for Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) after extensive consultation with all the stakeholders including State Governments and Union Territories. These Model Bye-laws will enable PACS to be established as a multipurpose vibrant economic centre at Village/ Panchayat level and take up more than 25 activities including dairy, fisheries, LPG/Petrol/Diesel dealership agency, banking correspondent, common service centres, etc. This will help the members of the primary credit societies.
