## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 528 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/02/2024

#### **Function of PACS**

### †528. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH: DR. SANJAY JAISWAL:

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

- (a) whether Primary Agricultural Credit Society (PACS) can now function as a public service centre;
- (b) if so, whether services like filing of income tax return, obtaining life certificate, payment of electricity bill and application for Ration Card, Pan Card and Passport, etc. be available at PACS level; and
- (c) if so, the details of all the facilities to be provided by the PACS?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. In order to enable Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) to function as Common Service Centres (CSC), a Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between Ministry of Cooperation, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, NABARD and CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, which will enable PACS to deliver more than 300 e-services, including banking, insurance, Aadhar enrolment/ updation, health services, agricultural services, etc. to rural citizens of the country. So far, 30,647 PACS have started providing CSC services in the country.

PACS functioning as CSC will be able to provide various citizen centric services, including the following:

i. **Pradhan Mantri Welfare Schemes:** Ayushman Bharat Yojana, PM Kisan Maandhan Yojana, PM Fasal Bima Yojana, PM Kisan Credit Cards Yojana, E-Shram Registrations, PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana etc.

- ii. **Central Government Services:** Aadhaar, PAN Card, Jeevan Pramaan, Passport, Water & Electricity Bill Payment Services, ITR Filing, E-Stamp, etc.
- iii. State Government Services: E-District Services, PDS Services, Municipal Services, etc.
- iv. **Financial Inclusion Services:** Banking, Loan, Insurance, Pension, DigiPay, FASTag, etc.
- v. **Agricultural Services:** CSC eAgri Portal, Agri Tele-Consultation & ePashu Chikitsa, Soil Testing Center, Kisan eMart, Kisan Credit Card, etc.
- vi. **E-Mobility & Smart Products:** Rural e-Mobility Dealership, Smart Products, etc.
- vii. **Other Services:** Stree Swabhiman Initiative, SPARSH Defence Pension Services Portal, Mobile, DTH Recharge & Bill Payment, etc.

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