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economy by disbursing loans at low-interestrates with flexible repayment terms.
Cooperative societies help small-scale entrepreneurs procure raw materials at discounted rates and reduce production costs. They provide producers with a platform to sell their products directly to consumers by removing intermediaries, which helps cut the selling price and ensure higher sales and profits for producers. Their significant role in bridging the urban-rural divide and creating opportunities for income generation can hardly be discounted. They also act as drivers of the national economy by providing critical raw materials and intermediate goods to large industries, which is a significant contribution to India's growing export markets.
Cooperative societies also have many success stories to narrate. Dairy cooperatives have ushered in the milk revolution in the country, with Amul becoming a household name. Alongside Lijiat Papad. Similarly, institutions like IFFCO and KRIBHCO have been drivers of farm sector growth in the country. Besides, many cooperatives and risheries cooperatives — are making untiring efforts to improve the socio-economic condition of the people in rural areas.

Currently, more than half of India's population is linked to a cooperative in some way, with cooperatives and fisheries cooperatives and 63,000 PACS in the country banks, 363 district-level cooperative banks and 63,000 PACS in the country banks and 63,000 PACS in t



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अमृतकाल में सहकारिता की अहम भूमिका



अमित शाह आज देश की आधी से ज्यादा आबादी निर्माता, उपमोक्ता, वित्तीय पोषण या किसी न किसी अन्य रूप में सहकारिता से जुड़ी हुई है

तीय वर्ष 2023-24 के लिए पेश किए गए 'अमृतकाल' के प्रथम बजट ने विकसित भारत प्रथम बजट न विकासत भारत की आकांक्षाओं और संकल्प को पूरा करने के लिए चुनियादी ढांचे में पूंजीगत व्यय बढ़ाने, करों में कमी लाने और विवेकपूर्ण राजकोषीय प्रबंधन के माध्यम से व्यापक आर्थिक स्थिरता बनाए रखने स व्यापक आध्यक स्थरता बनाए रखन की दिशा में एक मजबूत आधारशिला रखी है। प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी के सक्षम और दूरदर्शी नेतृत्व में तैयार किया गया यह विकासी-मुखी बजट न केवल धारत को दुनिया की सबसे तेजी से बढ़ती अर्थव्यवस्थाओं में अपना स्थान बनाए रखने में मदद करेगा, बल्कि वैश्विक निराशा के वातावरण को भी बदलने में निराशा के वातावरण की भी बदलन में सहायक होगा। पहली बार ऐसा हुआ है कि बजट में बढ़ई, सुनार, कुम्हार और अन्य कामगारों की मेहनत के महत्व को समझते हुए उनके हित में प्रधानमंत्री विश्वकर्मा कौशल सम्मान योजना के तहत कई योजनाएं लाई गई हैं। समाज

में इन वर्गों के महत्वपूर्ण योगदान को एक लंबे समय से समुचित सम्मान और मान्यता की दरकार थी, जिसे इस बजट में पूरी प्राथमिकता दी गई है। प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने ग्रामीण अर्थव्यवस्था की रींढ़ सहकारिता क्षेत्र को सशकत करने

के लिए एक क्रांतिकारी निर्णय लेते हुए 2021 में सहकारिता मंत्रालय की स्थापना की। मेरा सौभाग्य है कि मुझे इस मंत्रालय का प्रभार दिया गया। इस बजट ने अनेक अनुकूल उपायों की घोषणा करके सहकारी भित्र को एक आवश्यक बूस्टर खुराक प्रदान करने का काम किया है। बजट में एक ऐतिहासिक निर्णय लेते हुए विकेंद्रीकृत मंडारण क्षमता की स्थापना की घोषणा की गई है। यह दुनिया की सबसे बड़ी अनाज भंडारण सुविधा होगी। यह सहकारिता की दिशा और दशा बदलने वाला निर्णय है। नई सहकारी निर्माण समितियों के विकास को बढ़ावा देने के लिए बजट में 31 मार्च, 2024 से पहले कार्यरत समितियों पर 15 प्रतिशत की रियायती आयकर दर की घोषणा की गई है।

चीनी सहकारी मिलों को बहुप्रतीक्षित राहत देने का काम भी इस बजट में हुआ है। निर्धारण वर्ष 2016-17 से पहले गन्ना है। निधारण वय 2016-17 स पहल गन्ना किसानों को किए गए भुगतान के दावों को अब 'क्यय' माना जाएगा। इससे चीनी सहकारी समितियों को लगभग 10,000 करोड़ रुपये की राहत मिलने की उम्मीद है। हालांकि सहकारी समितियां लंबे हा हालाकि सहकारा सामाताया लब समय से हमारी अर्थव्यवस्थ्य में एक महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा रही हैं, लेकिन उनकी उपस्थिति में महत्वपूर्ण क्षेत्रीय और भौगोतिक विवेचताओं के कारण इनके लाभ पूरे देश को समानता से नहीं मिल पा रहे हैं। तेजी से बढ़ रहे सहकारी क्षेत्र



अवधेश राजपत

आपर्ति के लिए एक 'राष्ट्रीय सहकारी आधूत के लिए एक राष्ट्राय सहकारा विश्वविद्यालय' स्थापित करने का भी काम हो रहा है। हाल में सहकारिता मंत्रालय, इलेक्ट्रानिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय, नाबार्ड और सीएससी ई-गवनैंस सर्विसेज इंडिया लिमिटेड के बीच समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर हुआ है। यह समझौता ज्ञापन प्राथमिक कृषि क्रेडिट समितियों को कामन सर्विस सेंटर द्वारा दी जाने वाली सेवाएं प्रदान करने में समर्थ करेगा। जल्द ही प्राथमिक कृषि क्रेडिट समितियों को एफपीओ का दर्जा

क्राइट सामातया का एफपाओं का दजा देने की पहल की जाएगी। सरकार ने सहकारी क्षेत्र को और मजबूत करने के लिए कई नए कदमों की घोषणा की है। प्रधानमंत्री के दूरदर्शी नेतृत्व में केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल द्वारा बहु-राज्य सहकारी समिति (एमएससीएस) अधिनियम, 2002 के तहत निर्यात, बीज और आर्गेनिक उत्पादों के लिए राष्ट्रीय स्तर की सहकारी समिति की स्थापना और विकास को मंजूरी देने का ऐतिहासिक निर्णय लिया गया है। सहकारी समितियां

छोटे स्तर के उद्यमियों को उ कम करने के लिए रियायती दरों पर कच्चे माल की खरीद में भी मदद करती हैं। साथ ही, वे उत्पादकों को बिक्री मूल्य में कटौती करने और उच्च बिक्री व लाभ सुनिश्चित करने में उनकी मदद करने के उद्देश्य से बिचौलियों को हटाकर उनके उत्पादों को सीधे उपभोक्ताओं को बेचने के लिए मंच भी प्रदान करती हैं। शहर-गांव के विभाजन को पाटने और आय सृजन के अवसर पैदा करने में सहकारी समितियों की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका को भी कम करके नहीं आंका जा सकता। वे बड़े कम करक नहाँ आका जा सकता। व बड़ उद्योगों को महत्वपूर्ण कच्चे माल और मध्यदर्ती सामान उपलब्ध कराने के कारण अर्थव्यवस्था की चालक भी हैं और भारत के बढ़ते निर्यात बाजारों में अहम योगदानकर्ता भी। सहकारी समितियों की सफलता की तमाम कहानियां हैं। डेरी सहकारी समितियों ने देश में दुग्ध क्रांति की शरुआत की, जिससे निकला अमल आज प्रचलित नाम बन गया है। इसी तर्ज पर कुछ महिलाओं द्वारा शुरू किया गया लिज्जत पापड़ हर घर में पहुंच रहा

है। इपको और कृपको आदि महत्वपूर्ण संस्थाओं ने देश में कृषि क्रांति लाने में महत्वपूर्ण योगदान दिया है। इसके अलावा, राज्य स्तर पर कई सहकारी समितियां, तैसे शहरी सहकारी वँक, पैक्स, आवास और मत्स्य पालन सहित अन्य अनेक सहकारी समितियां, ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में लोगों की सामाजिक-आर्थिक स्थिति में सुधार के लिए अथक प्रयास कर रही हैं।

आज देश की आधी से ज्यादा आबादी आज दश का आधा स ज्यादा आबादा निर्माता, उपभोक्ता, वितीय पोषण या किसी न किसी अन्य रूप में सहकारता से जुड़ी हुई है, जिसमें सहकारी समितियां पैक्स के माध्यम से देश के 70 प्रतिशत किसानों को कवर करती हैं। देश में 33 राज्य स्तरीय सहकारी बैंक, 363 जिला स्तरीय सहकारी बैंक और 63,000 पैक्स हैं। इसके अलावा, देश के 19 प्रतिशत कृषि वित्त का प्रबंध सहकारी समितियों के माध्यम से किया जाता है। साथ ही के माध्यम सं किया जाता है। साथ हो 35 प्रतिशत उद्यंग्स वितरण, 30 प्रतिशत उद्यंग्स, 13 प्रतिशत में हुँ की व्हर्म और 20 प्रतिशत धान की व्हर्म और 20 प्रतिशत धान की व्हर्म सहकारी समितियों द्वारा की जाती है। लगभग 500 सहकारी समितियों को जेएम पोटेंन्ट में भी पंजीकृत किया गया है, जिससे वे 40 लाख से अधिक विक्रेताओं से खरीदारी कर सकें। जिस तरह मोदी जी ने 'सहकार से समृद्धि' के संकल्प जी ने 'सहकार से समृद्धि' के संकल्प के साथ हाल तक उपेक्षित रहीं सहकारी समितियों को देश के आर्थिक परिदृश्य में आगे लाने का काम किया है, उससे वे जल्द ही भारत के विकास इंजन की एक (लेखक केंद्रीय गृह और सहकारिता मंत्री हैं) response@jagran.com
