



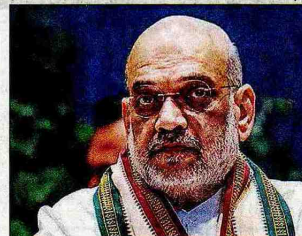
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New Delhi: Aiming to further strengthen the cooperative movement in the country, Union home and cooperation minister Amit Shah will on Thursday launch multiple initiatives including cooperative-led White Revolution 2.0 to transform the dairy sector and standard operating procedures (SOP) for nationwide rollout of 'cooperation among cooperatives' campaign.

Besides, he will also launch guidelines on formation and strengthening of 2 lakh new multi-purpose Primary Agriculture Credit Societies (M-PACS), and primary dairy and fishery cooperative societies in villages/panchayats which have, so far, remained uncovered.

Under White Revolution 2.0, the target of milk procurement by dairy cooperative societies will be increased by 50% from the present level over the next five years by providing market access to dairy farmers in uncovered villages/panchayats and increasing the share of the organised sector in milk procurement. The initiative includes setting up and strengthening of one lakh new/ existing district cooperative societies, multi-purpose district cooperative societies, and M-PACS.

"Providing enabling infrastructure e.g. AMCU (Automatic Milk Collection Unit), DPMCU (Data Processing Milk Collection Units), testing equipment, Bulk Milk Coolers, etc., will be the key component of the initiative," said the official.

Initially, this initiative will be funded by National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) from their own resources by providing assistance of Rs 40,000 per M-PACS to 1,000 M-PACS and

subsequently from the proposed National Programme for Dairy Development 2.0 scheme of department of animal husbandry and dairying (DAHD).

"This will strengthen the entire milk value chain. The initiatives will help in developing the sector and increasing milk production to meet the domestic demand and also tap the export potential," said the official.

The 'cooperation among cooperatives' initiative has three key components including distribution of Rupay - Kisan Credit Cards to dairy farmers, distribution of micro-ATM to dairy cooperatives and opening of the account of the cooperative societies and their members in cooperative banks.

"Its SOP has been finalised on the basis of experiences gained in pilot projects in Panchmahal and Banaskantha districts of Gujarat," said a cooperation ministry official.

Referring to the move of opening the account of the cooperative societies and their members in cooperative banks, he said, "This will ensure that money of the cooperative sector remains in the cooperative banking system, leading to an enhanced corpus of deposits in the cooperative banks. This will, in turn, empower cooperative banks to lend more money to the cooperative sector at affordable interest rates, leading to enhanced economic activities in the sector."



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The National Cooperative Exports Limited (NCEL), established late last year under the guidance of the newly formed Ministry of Cooperatives, clocked a revenue of nearly ₹4,000 crore through exports so far, a senior official said. Briefing the media, the officials said the revenues have come from exports of rice, onion, sugar, and jeera with the bulk being rice. The Cooperative has been formed to boost exports of agriculture commodities using the network of over 800,000 national and state cooperatives. Meanwhile, in a related development, sources said the Cooperative Minister Amit Shah will launch

the 'White Revolution' 2.0 in New Delhi on Thursday. The revolution will aim to raise the procurement of milk from dairy cooperative societies by 50 per cent from the current levels. At present, co-operatives procure 66 million litres of milk .SANJEEB MUKHERJEE





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Sahara refund cap raised to ₹ 50,000

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The government has raised the cap on refund amounts for small depositors of the Sahara Group Cooperative Societies to ₹50,000, up from the previous limit of ₹10,000, a senior cooperation ministry official said on Wednesday.

The government has so far released ₹370 crore to more than 429,000 depositors of Sahara Group of Cooperative Societies through the CRCS-Sahara refund portal.

“With an increase in the limit of refund amount to ₹50,000, about ₹1,000 crore payment will be made in the next 10 days,” the official said.

Last week, the cap on refund amount for small depositors was raised to ₹50,000 each from ₹10,000, the official said.

The government is vetting the claims of depositors carefully before releasing the refund.

The disbursement of money digitally is being monitored by Justice R. Subhash Reddy, a Supreme Court judge.

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The Centre has increased the upper limit of Sahara Co-operatives' refund amount to ₹50,000 per person from ₹10,000 per person after disbursing about ₹500 crore so far, out of the sanctioned amount of ₹5,000 crore.

A senior Co-operation ministry official said on Wednesday that over 4.29 lakh depositors of four co-operative societies floated by the Sahara Group, through the CRCS-Sahara refund portal, have received their refunds.

"With an increase in the refund limit, about ₹1,000 crore more payments are expected to be made in the next 10 days," the official said.

Sources said that the portal had received applications from about 1.25 crore people and not all of them were necessarily belonging to the co-operatives. Besides, the documentary proofs as submitted by the majority of the claimants were not "authentic".

For instance, many depositors who deposited in one co-operative society submitted receipts from another co-operative society since all these four societies of the Sahara group were operating from a common office, the sources said.

The CRCS-Sahara refund portal was launched in July 2023 following a Supreme Court order that approved the Centre's proposal. The apex court had allowed the transfer of ₹5,000 crore from

the SEBI-Sahara refund account to the Central Registrar of Co-operative Societies (CRCS) in May last year.

The refund process is being monitored by a panel led by former Supreme Court judge Justice R Subhash Reddy.

The societies are Sahara Credit Co-operative Society Ltd, Lucknow, Saharayn Universal Multipurpose Society Ltd, Bhopal; Humara India Credit Co-operative Society Ltd, Kolkata and Stars Multipurpose Co-operative Society Ltd, Hyderabad.

WHITE REVOLUTION

The Co-operation Ministry official also said that Co-operation Minister Amit Shah on Thursday will launch three key initiatives — White Revolution 2.0 to transform

the dairy sector, distribution of Micro-ATMs and Rupay-Kisan Credit Cards to dairy farmers — aimed at enhancing their financial access.

The White Revolution 2.0 targets a 50 per cent increase in milk procurement by dairy cooperative societies over the next five years.



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Sahara group depositors will now get Rs 50,000 each

सहारा समूह के जमाकर्ताओं को अब मिलेंगे 50-50 हजार

नई दिल्ली/लखनऊ। सहारा ग्रुप को-ऑपरेटिव सोसायटी के छोटे जमाकर्ताओं को अब 50 हजार रुपये मिलेंगे। केंद्र सरकार ने धन वापसी की सीमा 10 हजार रुपये से बढ़ाकर 50 हजार रुपये कर दी है।

सहकारिता मंत्रालय के एक वरिष्ठ अधिकारी ने बुधवार को ये जानकारी दी। अब तक सीआरसीएस-सहारा रिफंड पोर्टल के जरिये करीब 4.29 लाख जमाकर्ताओं को 370 करोड़ रुपये जारी किए जा चुके हैं। अधिकारी ने बताया कि धन वापसी



की सीमा बढ़ने से अगले 10 दिन में करीब 1,000 करोड़ रुपये का भुगतान हो जाएगा। सरकार रिफंड जारी करने से पहले जमाकर्ताओं के दावों की जांच कर रही है। सुप्रीम कोर्ट के आदेश के बाद सहारा समूह

■ चार सहकारी समितियों का पैसा होगा वापस : सहारा समूह की चार सहकारी समितियों में हो निवेश करने वालों का पैसा लौटाया जाएगा। इसमें हमारा इंडिया क्रेडिट को-ऑपरेटिव सोसायटी लि, कोलकाता, सहारा क्रेडिट को-ऑपरेटिव सोसायटी लि, लखनऊ, सहारा यान थ्रुनिक्सल मल्टीपर्सन सोसायटी लि, भोपाल और स्टार्स मल्टीपर्सन को-ऑपरेटिव सोसायटी लि, हैदराबाद शामिल हैं।

की चार सहकारी समितियों में पैसा जमा करने वाले निवेशकों की राशि वापस करने के लिए 18 जुलाई 2023 को सीआरसीएस-सहारा रिफंड पोर्टल शुरू किया गया। सुप्रीम कोर्ट के 29 मार्च 2023

के आदेश के अनुसार पिछले वर्ष 19 मई को सेबी-सहारा रिफंड खाते से 5,000 करोड़ रुपये केंद्रीय सहकारी समितियों के रजिस्ट्रार (सीआरसीएस) को हस्तांतरित किए गए थे। ब्यूरो/एजेंसी

रिफंड पोर्टल पर करना होगा आवेदन : रिफंड पोर्टल पर किया गया आवेदन ही स्वीकार होगा। पैसा वापस पाने के लिए डिजिटल अकाउंट नंबर, आधार से लिंक मोबाइल नंबर, डिजिटल सर्टिफिकेट या पासवुक को जरूरत होगा।

टोल फ्री नंबर से लीजिए मदद मंत्रालय ने टोल फ्री नंबर भी जारी किए हैं, जिन पर किसी भी सवाल के लिए फोन किया जा सकता है। 1800-103-6891 और 1800-103-6893 नंबरों पर निवेशक जवाब पा सकते हैं। क्लेम दाखिल होने के बाद 30 दिन के भीतर सत्यापन हो जाएगा।



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Refund amount increased in Sahara case

सहारा मामले में वापसी राशि बढ़ाई

नई दिल्ली, एजेंसी। सरकार ने सहारा समूह सहकारी समितियों के छोटे जमाकर्ताओं के लिए वापस की जाने वाली राशि की सीमा 10,000 रुपये से बढ़ाकर 50,000 रुपये कर दी है। सहकारिता मंत्रालय के एक अधिकारी ने बुधवार को यह जानकारी दी।

सरकार ने अब तक सीआरसीएस-सहारा रिफंड पोर्टल के माध्यम से सहारा समूह की सहकारी समितियों के 4.29 लाख से अधिक जमाकर्ताओं को 370 करोड़ रुपये जारी किए हैं।