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Chief Secretary accompanied by high-level team of senior **Officers visit Car Nicobar**

Reviews implementation of Govt. schemes & addressed developmental priorities across key sectors

Car Nicobar, Aug. 10

The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar, IAS, undertook a two-day official visit to Car Nicobar on Aug. 8 and 9 accompanied by a high-level team of senior Officers. The visit aimed to review the implementation of key Government and address schemes developmental priorities across health, education, power, agriculture, transportation, water (CS&CA) & Director inspection of the Mus supply, sports, and social welfare (Power), Shri Vikram Jetty area to review sea sectors, with a special focus on the Singh, welfare of the tribal community in (Education & Sports), visited GSS Tamaloo Nicobar District.

The delegation included Ms. Purva Garg, IAS, Secretary (APWD). & Shipping), Smt. Pallavi Sarkar, IAS, Secretary (Agriculture & Chief AH&VS), Smt. Jyoti Kumari, IAS, commenced his visit by with Secretary (Fisheries & IP&T), Ms. paying homage at the Meanwhile, Richa, Secretary (Health), Shri Tsunami Memorial, accompanying officers Pravesh Ranjan Jha, Secretary Lapathy, followed by inspected departmental



and Shri Prijit Rekh, School, where he Chief

Director erosion issues. He then Engineer interacted with school children 8th August, 2025 - The encouraged them to Secretary pursue their education

sites, including BJR Hospital, agricultural plantations at Arong, the Electricity Power House, various schools, and the Veterinary Farm at Arong. A meeting was held with the Tribal Council and Village Council representatives, where issues concerning the community were discussed. The Chief Secretary directed the concerned Departments to take prompt action for their resolution. This was followed by a meeting with local Heads of Departments (HoDs), during which he urged them to work for the welfare of the residents and extend all necessary support. The day concluded with a visit to the District Library at Perka.

9th August, 2025 - The second day began with a morning visit to the SAI Stadium, where the Chief Secretary interacted with young athletes and reviewed the status of various training programmes. He then visited the farm

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Helicopter services to start in Andaman and Nicobar as administration seeks EOI for 11 islands

Helicopter operations will be operated on the existing aviation infrastructure in Andaman and Nicobar, with a dedicated Inter-Island Helicopter Terminal already functional at the northwest end of the runway at Veer Savarkar International Airport.

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10 The Andaman and **Nicobar Administration** issued **Expression of Interest** (EOI) bid inviting aviation companies to operate commercial helicopter services between Sri Vijaya Puram and 11 islands located in archipelago. proposed air routes include destinations such as Shaheed Dweep, Swaraj Dweep, and the remote yet geologically active Barren Island, which is home to India's only active volcano.

Web: dt.andaman.gov.in

A senior official told PTI that the EOI is a preliminary step aimed at assessing market interest and ironing out logistical considerations



are to be built upon apron. existing aviation infrastructure.

Request for Proposal runway at Veer will be floated on a no- Savarkar International cost, no commitment Airport. This facility (NCNC) basis, to ensure includes a 32x29 metre a transparent and hangar, passenger competitive selection waiting areas, and process for aviation security screening operators," the official facilities, and can accommodate up to six The planned helicopters helicopter operations simultaneously on its

> The administration (Contd. on last page)

Chief Secretary launches Target Two Lakhs' Poultry initiative from Car Nicobar

Mass distribution of chicks to strengthen rural livelihoods & nutritional security

Car Nicobar, Aug. 10 The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (AH&VS), A&NAdministration, launched its ambitious 'Target Two Lakhs' initiative on Saturday, aiming to distribute over 2 lakh poultry chicks during the current financial year to and staff of AH&VS. boost rural nutrition and livelihoods. programme ceremoniously flagged the pivotal role of of livestock products for off by Dr. Chandra livestock in ensuring better returns to Bhushan Kumar, IAS, nutritional security and farmers. Chief Secretary, A&N economic stability for Administration from marginal farmers and the gathering, Smt. The beneficiaries from Tapoiming village, Car rural communities. He Pallavi Sarkar, IAS, Nicobar, in the presence encouraged parents in Secretary (AH&VS) of Tribal Council tribal and rural areas to gave a brief introduction given preferences. representatives, PRI sustain their traditional to members, beneficiaries, way of life, emphasising distribution initiative Munak, Hanspuri, Afra and senior Officers of that such practices can explaining that though Bay,



The occasion, the Chief appreciated AH&VS's was Secretary highlighted efforts in value addition distribution

life for future Speaking on the generations. He also

the A&N Administration improve the quality of the distribution was a

routine activity done by the Department, there were issues of uneven distribution, lack of awareness and inaccessibility of remote locality. To address the issues and boost the availability of poultry chicks, the Department has been upgrading its infrastructure and strengthening the production potential. The mass poultry planned to create awareness and ensure that the inputs reach all Earlier, welcoming parts of the territory. the remotest and most isolated villages were poultry Farmers from Rutland, Pulopanja, (Contd. on last page)

Chief Secretary leads Nutmeg Planting Drive under SPICE PRAVAH Car Nicobar, Aug. 10

A major step towards diversifying agriculture in Car Nicobar was taken vesterday, when the Zonal Agriculture Team organized a mass planting spice programme under SPICE PRAVAH in the field of progressive

farmer Shri Patrick Lawrence Mathew, First an intercrop while Jeremiah at Tapoiming Headman of Tapoiming. replacing the old

Spice cultivation gets a boost in Car Nicobar

Addressing the plantation The event was graced gathering, the Chief encouraged that it would Kumar,

by Dr. Chandra Secretary stressed the generate additional Director Bhushan Kumar, IAS, need to replace aging source of income welcomed the gathering Chief Secretary, A&N coconut plantations and alongwith coconut. He and highlighted the Administration, as chief encouraged integrating also proposed branding vision of the programme guest, along with Smti. spices such as nutmegas and establishing sale initiated under the Chief Pallavi Sarkar, IAS, intercrops, citing their outlets for local spice Secretary's guidance to Secretary (Agriculture), long shelf life, higher products, as well as promote Shri Amit Kale, IAS, market value through setting up agro- cultivation across Car Deputy Commissioner, processing, and income-processing activities in Nicobar. Nicobar District, senior generating potential. It collaboration between Officers, and key was suggested that Agri. the Agriculture and Kendra team also community leaders KVK Departments to Industries Departments. showcased bio-inputs, including Shri Martin collaborate with the Luther, Secretary, Tribal Tribal Council to develop further urged active locally

Council, and Shri a plan to adopt spices as involvement of youth in

farming, with the support of Village Councils, and praised Shri Patrick for his expertise in agricultural practices. The Chief Secretary led the planting of nutmeg saplings, joined by dignitaries and local farmers, before distributing saplings to participants.

Earlier, Shri C. Vinod Assistant

The Krishi Vigyan Chief Secretary bio-decomposers, and

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Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign 2025 by Art & Culture Department concludes with patriotic fervour

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10

The two-day Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign 2025 celebrations concluded here this evening at the auditorium of Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School, Sri Vijaya Puram, with another vibrant showcase of patriotism and cultural spirit. Organised by the Art & Culture Department, A&N Administration, the event honoured the spirit of Independence and paid tribute to the Indian National Flag.



On the concluding day, the festivities continued with captivating cultural performances, including the inter-collegiate dance competition based on patriotic themes. participants Young enthralled the audience with their spirited and expressive presentations.

Meanwhile, the SHG Mela organised by the Space Day celebration The event will include Department of RD, PRIs & on Aug. 23, Indian Space exhibition, lectures, and ULBs in the school ground Research Organization cultural programs, a remained a major (ISRO) will be press release received

National Space Day celebration by ISRO

Indian Space Reasearch Organisation (ISRO)



(Contd. on last page) organizing a programme here said.

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10 on Aug. 11 & 12 in the As part of National Auditorium of DBRAIT. Chief Secretary accompanied by high-level team..... (Contd. from page 1)

of Shri Patrick at Tapoiming, where he planted and distributed spice saplings to farmers. He also visited **Tapoiming** Anganwadi and interacted with children. He further inaugurated the mass livestock distribution programme at the Community Hall, Tapoiming, where, he handed over chicks, goats, and piglets to farmers, promoting integrated farming practices, highlighting its potential for improving nutrition, income, sustainability. He encouraged tribal captains and local farmers to adopt spice cultivation as part of



integrated farming. The Chief Secretary emphasised the importance of community participation in progressive and organic farming, encouraging locals to diversify into vegetables, spices, poultry, goat, and pig farming for sustainable livelihoods.

The Deputy Commissioner, Nicobars, on behalf of the District Administration, reaffirmed a firm commitment to address the issues raised during the visit in close coordination with the respective Departments, ensuring that development initiatives in Car Nicobar continue to move forward with speed and efficiency, a press release from DC (Nicobars) said.



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assenger tickets for the sailing schedules of Foreshore Sector/Inter Island vessels is being issued to the general public from 08.08.2025 (Friday) onwards.

Passengers may book their tickets from DSS e-ticketing portal (https://dss.andaman.gov.in/eticketing) on all

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							Nicobar &	and security apparatus including X-ray screening. Flight coordination will		
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2.	MV Pilomillow	11.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	11.08.2025 0845 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
3.	MV Baratang	11.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	11.08.2025 0900 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
4.	MV Jolly Buoy	11.08.2025 1100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	11.08.2025 1300 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Swaraj Dweep
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5.	MV Bambooka	11.08.2025 1130 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	11.08.2025 1400 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Shaheed Dweep
			1	-	11.08.2025 1530 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
6.	MV Hut Bay	11.08.2025 1430 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep	12.07.2025 0530 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram via Shaheed Dweep
12.08.2025 (TUESDAY)							
1.	MV Bambooka	12.08.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep & Long Island	12.08.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat	Sri Vijaya Puram via Long Island & Swaraj Dweep
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3.	MV Chouldari	12.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	12.08.2025 0900 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
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1430 Hrs Dweep

Chief Secretary launches 'Target Two Lakhs' Poultry initiative..... (Contd. from page 1)

Pulobha, Makachua, Pulo-ulu, Pilopatia, Pilobhabi, Indra Nagar, Dhanni Nallah, Mile Tilak, Kamorta, Shoal Bay and other distant hamlets were among the first beneficiaries in vesterdav's mass distribution of 15,010 poultry chicks across 15 locations. Department's commitment for sustained



Secretary reiterated the schemes to improve egg and meat production in the Islands.

The event was coordinated by Dr. Baljit Kaur, Senior Veterinary Officer (Nicobars), with active economy and nutrition support from the Deputy Commissioner security and will be (Nicobars), Secretary (CTC) and local Tribal introducing more Captains, a press release from Deptt. of AH&VS friendly said.

Spice cultivation gets a boost in Car Nicobar....

vegetables. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks from Shri Lawrence Mathew, who called for continued administrative support to advance agriculture in the Islands, a press release

from Department of Agriculture said.



Nikshay Shivir organized at Subhashgram, Diglipur



INS Utkrosh, while fuelling support will be supplied by Indian Oil

The project will be executed on a commercial basis, with no Government

subsidies or Viability Gap Funding. "Operators will bear full responsibility

for aircraft, crew, passenger safety, insurance, and liabilities, in line with

over 72,000 visitors recorded in 2024. The surge in arrivals was supported by

the opening of a modern integrated terminal at Veer Savarkar International

helipads, 12 of which are situated in prominent tourist locations. The region

also boasts a thriving hospitality sector, with approximately 600 registered

establishments, including several luxury resorts and boutique

At present, seven private cruise vessels operate daily services to Shaheed

Dweep and Swaraj Dweep, each with a capacity of around 300 passengers.

Other islands, however, remain dependent on Government ferry services.

Airport in 2023, designed to handle million passengers annually.

accommodations currently under development.

Tourism to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands has been on a rise, with

To bolster aviation readiness, the administration has constructed 19

standard aviation regulations," the official was quoted as saying by PTI.

The medical team, Diglipur for X-ray and of comprising Dr. Shipra CBNAAT evaluation.

were referred to CHC

Nos. tin can. against unknown (SA) said.

Heavy rain likely to occur in Isles; fishermen advised not to **venture into Sea till Aug. 14**

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10 12.

Heavy rain (07-11 places over A&N Islands one or two places over of

Squally weather cm) is very likely to with surface wind speed occur at one or two reaching 35 to 45 kmph gusting to 55 kmph is and very likely along and off thunderstorm with A&N coast and over gusty wind (30-40 kmph) Andaman Sea. Sea and lightning is very condition is likely to be likely to occur at one or rough to very rough. two places over A&N Fishermen have been Islands on Aug. 11. advised not to venture Thunderstorm with along and off A&N coast gusty wind (30-40 kmph) and into Andaman Sea and lightning is till Aug. 14, a press very likely to occur at release from Directorate Disaster A&N Islands on Aug. Management said.

150 litre Illegal Lahan seized from New Bimblitan Reserve Forest Area



Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug.10 offender has been Based on credible registered Ranger with Shri. Shyam Sunder Rao and detected and seized 150 litre Illicit fermented

inputs received by the relevant sections of the Beat Officer, Bimblitan Indian Forest Act, 1927. Beat on 09/08/2025, a The seized article has team under the been handed over to the leadership of Smti. Camp Officer, Head Anita S Pillai, Deputy Quarter for its safe custody.

The general public beat Mazdoors have been requested to share information on any illegal forest and liquor 'Lahan' from wildlife produce on the New Bimblitan Reserve help line number Forest Area along with 1 03192-255228. Identity No. iron caska and 04 of the informants will be kept confidential, a Upon seizure, a case press release from DFO

Sensitization program on 'Cyber Safety' organised at DBRAIT



Cyber Awareness and collaboration with the against such threats. Centre for Development

Computing (C-DAC), programs, Patna. The session was led staff

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10 provided an in-depth To sensitize students overview of the evolving about the rising cyber landscape of cyber threats and promote threats and crimes. She cyber safety awareness, highlighted the various Dr. B. R. Ambedkar forms of cyber attacks Institute of Technology prevalent today and organized an insightful shared practical tips preventive Program on Aug. 6 in measures to safeguard

A total of 69 students Advanced from various diploma with faculty and members, by Ms. Sonal Kamal, attended the event, a Research Associate press release from from C-DAC Patna, who DBRAIT said.

Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign 2025 by Art & Culture Department (Contd. from page 1)

attraction, drawing crowds. large Visitors once again enjoyed stalls offering local handicrafts traditional delicacies, and interactive exhibits, fostering a strong sense of community

(Source: www.cnbctv18.com)

The Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign not only celebrated Nation's the freedom but also brought together people from all walks of life, strengthening bonds through shared pride, culture, and unity.

engagement.



Online application invited for admission to Two-Years B.Ed. Degree Programme in TGCE

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 10 different disciplines are for admission to Two regulations in from 7th August, 2025.

degree programme affiliated to Pondicherry University and

Submission of eligible for admission to online application forms this course as per the Years B.Ed. Degree Pondicherry University. Programme (Semester e-prospectus of Two system) for the Years B.Ed. Degree academic session 2025- Programme is available Tagore online at http:// Government College of collegead mission. Education, Sri Vijaya andaman.gov.in. Puram commenced Candidates who are desirous of taking B.Ed. is a two-years admission in this degree programme can apply online by accessing the portal via URL http:// recognized by National collegeadmission. Council for Teacher andaman.gov.in upto Education. Graduates 23rd August, 2025, a press and Postgraduates of release from TGCE said.

Power to the People

The Boom and Transformation of Cooperatives in India

"For India, Co-operatives are the basis of culture, a way of life.

India sees a huge role of co-operatives in its future growth."

- Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi

Key Takeaways

India has over 8.44 lakh cooperatives across 30 sectors, driving rural credit, employment, and economic empowerment.

Proposals for computerization of 73,492 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) have been sanctioned and 59,920 PACS onboarded to a unified ERP platform as of July 22, 2025, for transforming cooperatives into efficient, digital, and disaster-resilient institutions.

23,173 new multipurpose PACS, Dairy & Fishery cooperatives have been registered by July 22, 2025 to deliver diverse rural services from one platform.

On GeM, 667 cooperative societies have been registered as buyers and 2,986 transactions have taken place by cooperative societies by March 31, 2025, amounting to Rs 319.02 crore.

National Cooperative Exports Limited (NCEL) has onboarded 8,863 PACS/cooperatives, successfully exporting agricultural commodities valued at Rs. 5,239.5 crore to 27 countries.

India is witnessing a resurgence of its cooperative culture, with grassroots institutions emerging as powerful engines of socio-economic empowerment and inclusive growth. A remarkable example of the transformative power of cooperatives in India comes from Rajasthan's Borkheda Gram Seva Sahakari Samiti. Established in 1954 with just 15 members and a share of only Rs. 30, the society has grown into a thriving institution with over 8,299 members and share of Rs. 107.54 Lakh today-more than 70% of whom belong to marginalised communities. Over the decades, it has evolved far beyond its agricultural roots. It now operates a Mini Bank with three branches and, in 2018-19 alone, it mobilised deposits worth Rs. 4.55 crore. Its e-Mitra Plus centre provides critical citizen services ranging from insurance and Aadhaar-linked facilities to caste and income certificates and utility bill payments. The cooperative society has been honoured with the NCDC National Cooperative Excellence Award (2010) and the NCDC Zonal Award (2018). This transformation is not an isolated case-it is part of a nationwide movement to revitalise the cooperative sector.

At present, India has more than 8.44 lakh cooperative societies spanning 30 sectors, including credit, housing, marketing, dairy, fisheries, and more—functioning as essential instruments for rural credit, self-employment, and collective economic strength.

The Boom of Cooperatives In India

8.44 Lakh
Cooperative Societies

30 Sectors

73,492 PACS proposed for computerisation

59,920 PACS onboarded to a unified ERP platform

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23,173 new multipurpose PACS have been registered commodities valued at Rs. 5,239.5 c to 27 countries.

The momentum of growth is visible even among children in Gujarat. The Bal Gopal Savings and Credit Cooperative Society, based in Sabarkantha, is India's only cooperative exclusively for children aged 0-18. Through this unique "Baal Bachat



Sanskar" model, children are given saving boxes, and the amounts collected each month are deposited into their bank accounts at 6% annual interest. As of March 2024, 19,020 child members from 335 villages have saved Rs. 17.47 crore. The cooperative also extends self-guaranteed loan to the guardian of a member child and loan against property for child's higher education. A total of 1,070 children's guardians have been given loans and a total of 5,370 children have been financially counselled.

The wave of transformation began in 2021 with the creation of the Ministry of Cooperation. In just four years, it has launched 61 structured initiatives designed to modernise, digitise, and diversify cooperative societies. Among the most transformative have been sanctioning of the proposal for the computerisation of 73,492 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), the onboarding of 59,920 PACS to a unified Enterprise Resource Planning

(ERP) platform (as of July 22, 2025), and the formal rollout of multipurpose cooperative models under new by-laws.

In Tamil Nadu's Villupuram district, the Arakandanallur PACCS offers a powerful example of digital preparedness. When devastating floods destroyed its physical infrastructure and paper records, the society's prior adoption of PACS computerisation and cloud-based storage enabled swift recovery. Staff accessed member and transaction data remotely, and services resumed quickly, with minimal disruption. This case has since become a model for disaster-resilient cooperative design. Similar is the case of the Kharsai Vividha Karyakari Society in Maharashtra. Burdened earlier by inefficiencies and paper-based accounting, it adopted full-scale ERP systems under the PACS computerisation program. Since then, its performance has improved across all metrics—accuracy, transparency, speed, and member satisfaction. It now stands as a textbook case of how cooperatives can thrive in the digital age.

The Government's strategy also includes massive expansion. As of July 22, 2025, 23,173 new multipurpose PACS, dairy, and fisheries cooperatives have been registered. These PACS are being designed to handle grain storage, fertiliser and seed distribution, LPG and petrol pumps, and Jan Aushadhi Kendras, based on a single ERP-based digital architecture.

The digital shift isn't limited to finance. As of March 31, 2025, 667 cooperative societies have been registered as buyers on the Government e-Marketplace (GeM). Efforts are also being made to onboard cooperatives as sellers to boost rural artisans' access to national markets. By March 31, 2025, 2,986 transactions have taken place by these cooperative societies, amounting to Rs 319.02 crore.

Moving from the digital to the sustainable, the Dhondi Solar Energy Producer Cooperative Society in Gujarat's Kheda district is a notable example. Registered in collaboration with Tata Consulting and IWMI, it is India's first cooperative solar energy society. Solar panels have been installed in the fields of 9 out of 12 farmer-members to irrigate their land using solar power, and sell surplus energy to the state grid. In two years, they've earned ?8 lakh through green energy, reducing dependence on diesel and promoting sustainable agriculture.

Cooperatives in India are increasingly serving as local community hubs, offering a unified platform for financial services, educational development, welfare schemes, healthcare access, and essential utilities—fostering inclusive development at the grassroots level. Stories from West Bengal further reinforce this nationwide momentum.



The Madhusudankati Agricultural Credit Society (SKUS) has gone from basic agri-credit to becoming a full-service multipurpose PACS. It extends Kisan Credit Card and Self-Help Group loans, operates as a retail and wholesale dealer of fertilisers and pesticides—including IFFCO and BENFED products. The Society also runs a Custom Hiring Centre, Rural Water Project, Agricultural Produce Procurement Centre, and consumer goods stores. In addition to its economic activities, it actively contributes to social welfare by organising health camps and operating a medical centre, children's park, and community centre. Similarly, the Murakata Samabay Krishi Unnayan Samity (SKUS) began with 45 members and had grown to 1,603 members by 2022. Initially functioning as a non-deposit credit society, it now offers comprehensive banking services, including deposit facilities. The society provides Custom Hiring Centre services to local farmers at affordable rates. Covering mostly forested and inhabited by economically weaker sections, it primarily serves a farming-based community. Previously limited to single-crop cultivation, local farmers now benefit from increased access to KCC loans, crop insurance, and affordable harvesting services, enabling year-round cultivation.

In Jammu & Kashmir's Poonch district, the Gold MPCS Limited stands out for its comprehensive rural services. It provides crop loans, insurance, PM Surya Ghar scheme facilitation, and acts as a Common Service Centre (CSC). In FY 2023-24, the CSC of this society completed 641 transactions, while in FY 2024-25 (till November 11, 2024), it recorded 1,852 transactions, reflecting its growing popularity and usefulness. In the last six months,

transactions worth Rs. 9.16 lakh were carried out through the CSC-helping citizens with PAN card generation, insurance, and bill payments. Similarly, in Kishtwar (J&K), the Atholi Multipurpose Cooperative Society acts as a lifeline for the local community. Operating under model bylaws, the society runs a Jan Aushadhi Kendra and provides CSC services and nutritional supplies to Anganwadi centres. In FY 2024-25, its business turnover was Rs. 18.66 lakh, reflecting its growing commercial success and influence in the community.

India's cooperative reforms have also taken shape at the national level. In 2023, three multi-state cooperatives were formed to give cooperatives access to markets, branding, and export capacity:

National Cooperative Exports Limited (NCEL) National Cooperative Organics Limited (NCOL) Bharatiya Beej Sahakari Samiti Limited (BBSSL)

As of March 31, 2025, NCEL has already onboarded 8,863 PACS/cooperatives to facilitate collective exports. Further, NCEL has successfully exported approximately 13.08 LMT of agricultural commodities, including rice, wheat, maize, sugar, onion, and cumin seed, valued at Rs. 5,239.5 crore to 27 Countries. While, 5,185 PACS/ cooperative societies have become member of NCOL NCOL has launched 21 products worth around Rs. 167.1 lakh under 'Bharat Organics Brand'. NCOL has also signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with nodal agencies across 10 states. On the other hand, 19,171 PACS/ Cooperative Societies have become member of BBSSL. BBSSL has been granted a seed license in 13 states.

New National Cooperative Policy



New National Cooperative Policy Aims

- To foster the vision of 'Sahakar se Samriddhi'
- To fast track growth of the rural economy
- To generate employment opportunities on large scale
- To strengthen cooperative movement in the country
- To help cooperative sector achieve its potentialTo create a holistic approach for cooperative
- institutions
 To create policy, legal and institutional infrastructure
- To promote cooperative based economic development model

Source: Ministry of Cooperation

The Ministry has recently launched a New National Cooperative Policy on July 24, 2025, to further accelerate this transformation. The objective of the National Cooperative Policy is to make cooperative institutions inclusive, manage them professionally, prepare them for the future and be able to create large scale employment and livelihood opportunities especially in rural India. The new cooperative policy will prove to be a milestone in the cooperative movement of India for the next two decades from 2025-45.

The new policy will lay the roadmap for achieveing the vision of "Sahkar-se-Samriddhi" and contribute to India's collective ambition of becoming "Atmanirbhar" and "Viksit" by 2047.

Further, as part of the International Year of Cooperatives (IYC) 2025 declared by the United Nations, the Ministry of Cooperation has launched a comprehensive National Action Plan to position Indian cooperatives on the global stage. The plan focuses on showcasing India's successful cooperative models—like AMUL, IFFCO and KRIBHCO—through international exhibitions, documentation of best practices, and digital outreach. The government is also working to promote cooperative exports, support startups within cooperatives, and facilitate cross-country learning. The initiative aims to make India a global hub for cooperative innovation by leveraging its grassroots strength and vast membership base.

Cooperative	Sector	Notable Achievement
AMUL (GCMMF)	Dairy	India's largest dairy cooperative; played a pivotal role in the "White
		Revolution" which helped India become the world's largest milk
		producer; turnover above 7.3 billion.
IFFCO	Fertilizer	India's largest fertilizer cooperative and the world's largest cooperative
		by GDP per capita; with revenue above 7.3 billion (FY23), its
		remarkable growth earned it a place in Fortune India 500 list.
Karnataka Milk	Dairy	Second-largest dairy cooperative in India; operates with 15 milk
Federation	-	unions across Kamataka, procuring milk from primary dairy coop
(Nandini)		societies; serves both urban and rural markets, benefiting over 1,500
,		members.
Indian Coffee	Consumer/	Managed by a network of worker cooperatives; approx. 400 coffee
House Society	Restaurants	outlets.
Uralungal Labour	Labour	Oldest labour cooperative society in India; With a membership of
Contract	Cooperative	around 1415 individuals, ULCCS has successfully completed more
Cooperative Society	Society	than 7500 projects

India's cooperative boom is no longer an abstract ideal—it is a grounded, grassroots revolution. Cooperatives are not just empowering people—they're reimagining what inclusive, democratic growth can look like. What began as a people's movement over a century ago may now be the key to India's equitable and inclusive growth. (Source: PIB)



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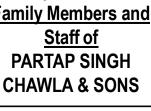
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...... Plaintif -Versus-

... Defendant

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