GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATIVE SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are taking steps to strengthen the cooperative schemes in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the financial assistance is extended to every State for the purpose; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken to strengthen the cooperative sector in Karnataka during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Government of India has been providing funds to State Governmentsunder various Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Schemes to strengthen the cooperative schemes in the country. Some of the schemes are implemented through National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC). The Government of India is also providing 100% financial grant to National Council for Cooperative Training (NCCT) for conducting cooperative training programmes in the country and to National Cooperative Union of India (NCUI) for implementation of the special component for intensification of cooperative education. NCUI is also provided 20% grant for other approved activities for promotion of Cooperatives. The assistance is provided on the basis of the proposals received from the States.

(c): Financial assistance provided to Katrnataka to strengthen the Cooperative developmentmainly through National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) in the last three years is as under:-

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(Rs. crore)
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1999-2000 40.93 2000-2001 83.74 2001-2002 67.57

Total 192.24

The financial assistance extended to Karnataka and the number of beneficiaries for the last three years under the programme of Cooperative Education and Training is as follows:-

Year Financial Assistance (Rs. lakh) No. of persons educated/trained

Cooperative Education

1999-2000 15.80 16747 2000-2001 18.39 31339 2001-2002 22.92 26874

Total 57.11 74960

Cooperative Training

1999-2000 54.00 1289 2000-2001 54.00 1362 2001-2002 55.00 1426

Total 163.00 4077