

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 324**  
ANSWERED ON 06/12/2023

**Co-operative University**

324 Smt. Sulata Deo:  
Shri Niranjan Bishi:

Will the Minister of COOPERATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the tentative month and year by when the biggest Co-operative University of the country will be completed and start its functioning;
- (b) the details of the allocated budget and funding sources that will be used for the establishment of the University; and
- (c) whether Government is planning to introduce an awareness campaign and scheme in order to attract more people to join the university once it is established and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COOPERATION  
(SHRI AMIT SHAH)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Cooperation is working on a proposal for establishment of a national-level cooperative university for imparting technical and management education and training in the cooperative sector, promoting cooperative research and development and to strengthen the cooperative movement in the country through a network of affiliated institutions.

To achieve the above objective, extensive consultations with various stakeholders including Central Ministries/Departments, State Governments, National Cooperatives/Federations, Cooperative education & training institutions, etc. have been carried out to evolve contours of the proposed university.

The proposed university is likely to work in close coordination with the cooperative sector and will be a comprehensive, integrated and standardized structure for education and training so as to ensure stable, adequate and quality supply of trained manpower in the cooperative sector for successful implementation of various initiatives taken by the Ministry. The university will aim to become operationally self-sufficient in meeting its expenses.

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