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# Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies

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**Why is in news?** Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah will launch the digital portal of the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CRCS) office in Pune on Sunday, August 6

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, will launch the digital portal of the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CRCS) office in Pune.

Showing firm belief in the Prime Minister's **vision of "Sahkar se Samridhi"**, the Ministry of Cooperation has taken several initiatives to strengthen the cooperative movement in the country.

In this direction, the office of the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies is being **computerized to promote ease of doing business in the cooperative sector**.

The following modules will be included in the Central Registrar Portal: Registration, Amendment of Bye Laws, Annual Return Filing, Appeal, Audit, Inspection, Inquiry, Arbitration, Winding Up & Liquidation, Ombudsman and Election.

The new portal will **also incorporate** the recently passed amendments to the **MSCS Act, 2002 and its rules**.

The portal will have processing of applications/service requests in a **time bound manner** through electronic work flow.

It will also have provisions for OTP based user registration, validation checks for compliance with the MSCS Act and Rules, hearing through video conference, issue of registration certificate and electronic communication.

There are **more than 1550 Multi-State Cooperative Societies (MSCS)** registered in the country.

## **Main objectives of computerization of the Central Registrar's Office:**

Completely paperless application and processing

Automatic compliance with Multi State Co-operative Societies Act (MSCS Act) and Rules through software

Enhancing Ease of Doing Business

Digital communication

Transparent processing

Improved Analytics and MIS (Management Information Systems)

## **Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies office:**

As per the Constitution, the Cooperative societies with objects confined to one State only are governed by the Cooperative laws of the respective State Government and the cooperative societies with objects confined to more

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than one State are governed by the central law, namely, 'the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act 2002 (Act 39 of 2002).

The Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies is appointed as per **article 243ZH(f)** of the Constitution read with subsection (1) of section (4) of **Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act 2002** and is the **statutory body responsible for registration and other processes of the Multi State Cooperative Societies (MSCS)**.

The Central Registrar's Office is being computerized to ease all the activities of multi-state cooperatives and to create a digital ecosystem, including registration of new multi-state cooperatives.