

# Three new Multi-state cooperative bodies formed

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**In news**– The Union Cabinet has recently approved setting up of three new multi-state cooperative bodies.

## **About new multi-state cooperative bodies-**

Three new multi-state cooperative bodies under the Multi-State Cooperative Societies (MSCS) Act, 2002 are:

1. National multi-state cooperative export society.
2. National multi-state cooperative organic society and
3. National multi-state cooperative seed society.

## **Multi-state cooperative organic society-**

- It will manage various activities related to the organic sector by providing certified and authentic organic products.
- It will help in unlocking demand and consumption potential of organic products in domestic as well as global markets.
- It will also help cooperatives and ultimately their farmer members in getting benefits of high price of organic products through aggregation, branding and marketing on a large scale by facilitating testing and certification at affordable cost.



### **Multi-state seed cooperative society-**

- It will act as an apex organisation for production, procurement, processing, branding, labelling, packaging, storage, marketing and distribution of quality seeds; strategic research and development; and to develop a system for preservation and promotion of indigenous natural seeds; through various cooperative societies across the country with support from relevant ministries.
- It will help to increase the seed replacement rate, varietal replacement rate, ensuring the role of farmers in quality seed cultivation and seed variety trials.

### **Multi-state cooperative export society-**

- It will provide thrust to exports from the cooperative sector by acting as an umbrella organisation for carrying out and promoting exports.
- It will also help cooperatives in getting benefits from various export-related schemes and policies of different ministries of the central government in a focused manner.
- Basically, it will help unlock the export potential of Indian cooperatives in the global market.

## Multi-State Cooperative Export Society

*Cabinet approves setting up of national level Multi-state cooperative export society*



- To be registered under Multi State Cooperative Societies (MSCS) Act, 2002
- Will act as an umbrella organization for export of surplus goods/services.
- Primary to national level cooperatives societies including primary societies, district, state and national level federations and multi state cooperative societies can become its Member.
- All these cooperatives will have their elected representatives in the Board of society as per its bye-laws.

