

IYC- NABARD Cooperative Literacy Camp Hoshiarpur, Punjab

IYC- NABARD Cooperative Literacy Camp was organized by DDM Hoshiarpur, on 2nd June 2025 at the Garhshankar Branch of Hoshiarpur Central Cooperative Bank, under the aegis of the International Year of Cooperatives. The objective was to enhance awareness about the evolving cooperative structure and recent initiatives by the Ministry of Cooperation and NABARD.

The camp focused on the past, present, and future of cooperatives in India. Participants were sensitized about the historical role of PACS in rural credit, current challenges, and the way forward through digitization and diversification. Key initiatives discussed included the Government's scheme for computerization of PACS, introduction of Model Bye-laws, formation of multi-service PACS etc.

NABARD's role in implementing PACS computerization, training cooperative staff, and promoting FPOs under cooperative models was also highlighted.

Discussions with SHG members and farmers helped clarify doubts around cooperative credit, diversification, and digital services. The event concluded with an emphasis on stronger rural engagement and the transformation of PACS into multi-functional, member-driven institutions.

Photographs taken during the day are appended



