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International Year of Cooperatives - One-Day Workshop on Cooperative Financial Literacy held on 08-08-2025 at Barijuri, Panchayat bhavan, Ghatshila block, East Singhbhum

In celebration of International Year of Cooperatives, NABARD in co-ordination with Dept. of Cooperatives, GoJ, a one-day workshop on Cooperative Financial Literacy was organized on 08-08-2025 at **Barijuri, Panchayat bhavan, Ghatshila block, East Singhbhum** aimed at strengthening the financial awareness and capabilities of cooperative members, especially from rural and tribal communities.

The workshop brought together over 20 members from special co-operative, including representatives from Large Area Multi-Purpose Societies (LAMPs), self-help groups (SHGs) and FPO. With the IYC theme — "Cooperative Enterprises Build a Better World" — as its guiding principle, the workshop focused on empowering cooperative members with practical knowledge on:

- Raise awareness of cooperative principles (self-help, democracy, transparency).
- Enhance literacy among farmers, fishers, and women in block-level communities.
- Encourage the formation and participation in cooperative societies (dairy, fisheries, SHGs).
- Anchor efforts within the broader *Sahkar Se Samriddhi* vision of inclusive, cooperative-led development

DDM, East Singhbhum stated the importance and role of co-operative societies makes financial understanding critical to sustainability and empowerment. Importance of PACS computerisation, PACS as MSC, KCC through PACS, AIF & worlds largest green storage plan were also discussed. Interactive sessions, role plays, and case studies helped demystify financial concepts and encouraged active participation. Trainers also highlighted how financial literacy enables cooperatives like LAMPs to better serve tribal and marginalized communities through transparent, inclusive, and sustainable practices.

The workshop concluded with a call to scale up cooperative education and financial training at the grassroots level to strengthen the cooperative movement in alignment with the goals of the International Year of Cooperatives.

Photographs of the event:



