

Revival of Puraraghunathpur Cooperative Society

A Milestone Achievement After 20 Years of Inactivity

Under the visionary leadership of Shri Yogesh Kumar (IAS), Commissioner & Registrar, Cooperative Department, Uttar Pradesh, and with the active guidance of Mrs. Somi Singh, Deputy Commissioner & Deputy Registrar, Cooperative, Varanasi Mandal, as well as the dedicated support of Mr. Harsh Kumar, Assistant Commissioner & Assistant Registrar, Varanasi, the Puraraghunathpur Sahkarita Samiti Ltd., Varanasi, has been successfully revived after nearly **20 years** of inactivity.

This remarkable success was made possible through the joint initiatives of the Cooperative Department, Varanasi, and District Cooperative Bank Ltd., Varanasi, ensuring sanction of the fertilizer credit limit and institutional strengthening.



Key Highlights of the Revival

Infrastructure Renovation

With the initiative of Gram Pradhan Mrs. Amlesh Patel and her husband Mr. Rajesh Patel, the dilapidated building of the society was renovated under the State Finance Scheme.

First AC Room for Farmers in the State

A landmark achievement as an AC waiting room for farmers has been built, making it the first such facility in Uttar Pradesh.

Fertilizer Distribution

More than 50 farmers of Baragaon block, Varanasi, received urea on the first day, spreading joy and trust among the farming community.

Digital Initiative

A directive was issued to generate a QR Code for online payments, ensuring transparency and convenience for farmers.

Future Commitments

Assurance was given to start a Fair Price Shop at the society premises for ration distribution and essential commodities.



Special Achievements



Farmers' AC Room

First in the state, constructed by Gram Pradhan Mrs. Amlesh Patel.

Accessibility of Fertilizers

Farmers no longer need to travel 5-7 km for fertilizers (**Mr. Rajesh Patel**).

Integrated Services

Fertilizer, fair price shop, generic medicines, and other farmer services to be made available at one platform (**Mr. Dinesh Kumar, Secretary**).

Affordable Credit

Farmers to benefit from loans at low interest rates via the cooperative bank (**Mr. Nayab Singh, Branch Manager**).

Community Participation & Recognition

The revival event saw the presence and encouragement of cooperative leaders, bank officials, local farmers, and management committee members including:

- Mr. Dev Prakash Dubey (Chairman)
- Mrs. Amlesh Patel (Gram Pradhan)
- Mr. Nayab Singh (Branch Manager, District Cooperative Bank, Baragaon)
- Mr. Harsh Kumar (Assistant Commissioner & Assistant Registrar, Varanasi)
- Mr. Nand Kishore (Assistant Development Officer, Cooperative)
- Several farmers who were also felicitated

The event strengthened community bonds and recognized the contributions of all stakeholders in this remarkable revival journey.



Impact & Message

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Commissioner & Registrar

Shri Yogesh Kumar (IAS) stressed that reviving such long-closed societies will **strengthen and re-energize the Cooperative Movement** in Uttar Pradesh.

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Deputy Commissioner & Deputy Registrar

Mrs. Somi Singh assured multipurpose facilities including fertilizers, ration, loans, and digital services for farmers.

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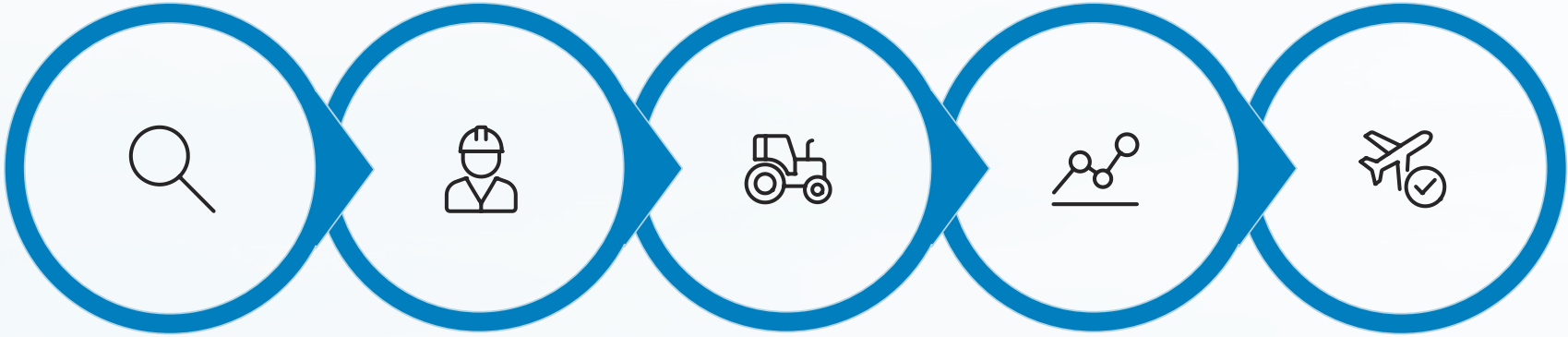
Assistant Commissioner & Assistant Registrar

Mr. Harsh Kumar personally interacted with farmers, management committee members, and extended his gratitude for their cooperation, assuring continuous departmental support.

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This revival under IYC-25 stands as a shining example of "Cooperation for Prosperity", demonstrating how dormant cooperatives can be rejuvenated into vibrant centers of rural empowerment.

A New Chapter in Cooperative Excellence



**Identify
Dormant**

**Renovate
Facilities**

**Set Up
Farmer
Services**

**Integrate
Operations**

**Full
Operational**

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