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**In the Series of United Nations IYC -2025 Celebrations**

**Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank**

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# **National Cooperative Conference**

*“The Cooperative Renaissance : Shaping India’s Future through  
Collective Cooperative Strength - Celebrating IYC2025”*

**at**

**The Hotel Peterhof, Shimla  
Himachal Pradesh**



**Itinerary for  
13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2025**





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**International Year  
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**13<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2025**

**10:30 AM - 12:00 Noon**

**BOARD MEETING OF NATIONAL COOPERATIVE  
AGRICULTURE & RURAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS  
FEDERATION LTD. (NAFCARD)**

**at VIP Conference Hall - I Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

**12:00 Noon - 2:15 pm**

**INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF NATIONAL  
COOPERATIVE CONFERENCE**

**Inauguration of the Cooperative Fair & FinTech Corporate Exhibition**

1. Exhibition showcasing innovations and achievements from cooperatives across India
2. Special FinTech stalls for showcasing digital solutions for cooperatives

**By – Sh. Mukesh Agnihotri, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister & Minister for  
Cooperation, Himachal Pradesh**

**at Hotel Peterhof Lawn, Shimla**

**FELICITATION CEREMONY & KEYNOTE ADDRESSES**

**at Darbar Hall, Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

**Keynote Addresses by:**



**Sh. Davender Shyam**  
Chairman, HPSCB (Organiser)

**Introductory & Welcome address by:-**

Presently serving as the Chairman of Himachal Pradesh State Cooperative Bank, Vice Chairman NAFSCOB, Director COBI and member in the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). Previously held two terms as Chairman of APMC Shimla & Kinnaur from 2003 to 2008 and served as Advisor to the HP Marketing Board, Shimla from 2013 to 2017.



**Sh. Dolar V. Kotecha**  
Chairman NAFCARD

A long-serving leader in India's cooperative sector, with a primary mission to serve farmers, customers, and society. As of September 2025, Shri Dolar V. Kotecha is the Chairman of the National Cooperative Agriculture and Rural Development Banks' Federation Ltd. (NAFCARD). He is also the Chairman of the Gujarat State Cooperative Agriculture and Rural Development Bank Ltd., also known as Kheti Bank.



**Sh. Konduru Ravinder Rao**  
Chairman NAFSCOB

Sh. Konduru Ravinder Rao is a prominent figure in the Indian cooperative movement with over three decades of experience in the sector. Currently serving as Chairman, NAFSCOB, President Karimnagar DCCB, Vice President NAFCARD and Director ICBA.



**Sh. Dileep Sanghani**  
Chairman IFFCO

An Indian politician and former Cabinet Minister in Gujarat state of India. He was a minister of Agriculture, Co-operation Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Cow-Breeding, Prison, Excise Law & Justice, Legislative & Parliamentary Affairs. At Present serving as Chairman IFFCO & President NCUI.



**Sh. Mukesh Agnihotri**  
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister,  
HP & Minister for Cooperation

Since 11 December 2022, he is the first Deputy Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh. He is also a Member of Legislative Assembly in the HP Legislative Assembly from the Haroli Constituency in the Una District of Himachal Pradesh



**Sh. Bhima Subrahmanyam**  
Managing Director, NAFSCOB

**Vote of Thanks by:**

Bhima Subrahmanyam has been associated with National Federation of State Cooperative Banks (NAFSCOB) in India since 1982. He assumed the position of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) / Managing Director of NAFSCOB in 1990. He has around 50 years of experience in the areas of Rural communication, Rural Development, Agricultural Credit, Cooperatives, Banking etc. He is author of more than 100 Articles, Research Papers, Occasional papers etc. in the above areas.



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**2:15 PM to 3:00 PM Lunch**

**3:00 PM to 3:10 PM Cultural – Himachal Folk Dance**

**3:10 PM - 4:00 PM**

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Address by :**

Sh. Santosh Shukla, General Manager (Cooperative Development) will brief about IFFCO & Cooperative movement

### **Presentations by :**

- a) Dr. Tarunendu Singh, Head (Agriculture Services) IFFCO on innovative products for sustainable agriculture ie Nano Fertilisers
- b) Sh. Bhupender Mandvi, Regional Director Shimla NCDC
- c) Dr. Vikas Sood, Managing Director MILKFED Himachal Pradesh

**at Darbar Hall, Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

**4:10 PM - 6:00 PM**

## **PANEL DISCUSSION 1**

**at Darbar Hall, Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

**Topic: Milk Cooperatives as lighthouse for Rural Development in Hilly States: Opportunities and Challenges**

## **Panelists**



**Sh. Ritesh Chauhan**  
Secy. Animal  
Husbandry Govt. of HP

2005-batch IAS officer of the Himachal Pradesh cadre. Prior to this, served as the MD, National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED). CEO Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)



**Dr. Dheer Singh**  
Director, NDRI

Director & Vice-Chancellor, ICAR-NDRI, National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI). A PhD holder in animal biochemistry from NDRI, his research focuses on molecular endocrinology, functional genomics, and advanced reproductive technologies for indigenous cattle conservation. He is a recipient of multiple national awards.



**Sh. Arun Seethmaraju**  
Head of Products & Digital  
Solutions (RBIH)

A public figure at the RBIH, representing the organization at major events and speaking on key fintech initiatives. He is a key advocate and expert on the Unified Lending Interface (ULI), a digital public infrastructure developed in India to expand credit access.



**Dr. Vivek Pathania**  
CGM, NABARD Shimla

### **Moderator**

Dr. Vivek Pathania, Chief General Manager, NABARD, Regional Office, Shimla has served NABARD under varying capacities and has a wide experience of 29 years in the financial and development sectors. He is alumnus of NDRI, Karnal and his areas of core competency encompass Investment and Infrastructure credit, Animal Husbandry, Food Processing, Farmer Producer Organisations, (FPO) & Participatory Land use Planning etc.





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**6:00 PM - 7:45 PM**

## **EVENING PLENARY SESSION**

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### **Interactive Session**



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**Sh. Davender Shyam**  
Chairman, HPSCB (Organiser)



Chairman of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). He has extensive experience in the financial sector, spanning over three decades and covering commercial banking, development finance, and rural banking

**Sh. Shaji KV**  
Chairman, NABARD



An IAS officer from the 2009 batch (Bihar cadre), currently serving as Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Cooperation, Govt. of India. He has held several key roles in both the state and central governments, like District Magistrate of East Champaran and Buxar in Bihar, Private Secretary to Union Minister Giriraj Singh across multiple ministries, including Rural Development, Panchayati Raj, and Textiles etc.

**Sh. Raman Kumar**  
Joint Secretary MoC, GoI



1990-batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer and the Chief Secretary of Himachal Pradesh since December 2022. He has extensive experience in state, central, and multilateral institutions, including serving at the Asian Development Bank. A law graduate from Delhi University and London School of Economics, he has held diverse roles in finance, planning, and environment.

**Sh. Prabodh Saxena**  
Chief Secretary, GoHP



Sh. Sanjay Malhotra is an Indian bureaucrat and senior IAS officer from the 1990 batch of the Rajasthan cadre. He is currently serving as the 26<sup>th</sup> Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). Prior to his appointment as RBI Governor, Sh. Malhotra held the position of Revenue Secretary in the Ministry of Finance, Government of India. His career spans over 33 years, during which he has worked in various sectors, including power, finance and taxation, information technology, and mines. He has also served as the Secretary in the Department of Financial Services under the Ministry of Finance

**Sh. Sanjay Malhotra**  
Hon'ble Governor, Reserve Bank of India (RBI)



#### **Vote of Thanks by:**

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**Shri Sharwan Manta**  
MD, HPSCB (Organiser)

**7:45 PM to 8:30 PM**

## **Evening Meet & Greet and Networking Dinner**

## **8:30 PM Onwards – Musical Soirée**

Live performance by HP Police Orchestra, **Harmony of the Pines**  
(Nationally Acclaimed after Colors TV's Show Hunarbaaz 2022)

Informal Jam Session to follow







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## MEETINGS OF NAFSCOB

**10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**

- a) Executive Committee Meeting
- b) Board Meeting
- c) Annual General Body Meeting

**at VIP Conference Hall - I  
Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

## COOPERATIVES REVIEW MEETING

**By Sh. Krishan Pal Gurjar, Hon'ble  
MoS for Cooperation, GoI**

**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**at Hotel Marina, Shimla**

**10:00 AM  
to  
1:30 PM**

## NEXT-GEN TECHNOLOGY IN COOPERATIVE BANKING

**Short Videos by our Partners**

- a) KCCB (Kangra Central Co-op Bank Ltd.)
- b) SJVNL (Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited)

**Presentations by leading FinTechs  
and technology solution providers**

- a) Sarvatra Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
- b) ITI Limited (A GoI Undertaking)

**Knowledge Session by**

- a) NABARD's Shared Services Entity –  
Sahakar Sarathi
- b) RBIH (Reserve Bank Innovation Hub)

**at Darbar Hall Hotel  
Peterhof, Shimla**

**Lunch Break 1:30 PM to 2:15 PM**

**2:15 PM to 2:30 PM Cultural – Himachal Folk Dance**

**2:30 PM - 3:45 PM**

## PANEL DISCUSSION 1

**at Darbar Hall, Hotel Peterhof, Shimla**

**Topic: Building Resilient Cooperative Banks: Cybersecurity  
in the Age of Digital Transformation and emerging Technologies"**

### Panelists



**Sh. Ashok Tiwari**  
DGP, HP Police



**Sh. Sandeep Kumar**  
MD, KCCB



**Sh. Mayank Ghildiyal**  
Deputy Director (i4c)

He has played an instrumental in enhancing India's cybersecurity capabilities. His achievements include championing the "Cyber Commando Training Program" for law enforcement and conducting public awareness workshops on digital safety. He also helps articulate and implement the strategic verticals of I4C

2010 batch IAS officer, presently serving as Managing Director KCCB. He previously served as Deputy Commissioner Una, Managing Director of the Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board (HPSEBL), Managing Director of the Himachal Road Transport Corporation.



**Sh. S. S. Sarma**  
Director Operations CERT-in

Director of Operations at the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In). A Certified Information Systems Security Professional and Certified Ethical Hacker, he coordinates national responses to cyber threats, including malicious code, botnets, and web intrusions. His work also involves shaping cybersecurity policy and advising on regulatory expectations



**Sh. Rajesh Sharma**  
GM, CSITEG, RBI

### Moderator

Joined Reserve Bank of India in 2003. Presently serving as General Manager CSITEG, RBI. He has more than 14 years of experience in areas related to supervision of Commercial banks, Regional Rural banks, Urban Cooperative Banks and Rural Co-operative Banks. He was on Board of a Regional Rural Bank as RBI Nominee Director for more than four years. His areas of interest include credit management, ALM Management, Treasury operations, cyber Security, Financial Inclusion etc.

## 3:45 PM – 4:00 PM Himachal Folk Dance Performance

4:00 PM - 5:15 PM

### PANEL DISCUSSION 2

at Darbar Hall, Hotel Peterhof, Shimla

#### Topic: “Regulatory Perspectives: Cooperative Banking Reforms & Risk Mitigation”

#### Panelists



**Sh. N. S. Vishwanathan**  
Deputy Governor RBI (Retd.)

A career central banker who retired as Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). During his tenure, his expertise included the regulation and supervision of banks, non-banking finance companies (NBFCs), and cooperative banks. He also oversaw departments related to currency management, foreign exchange, and human resources.



**Sh. C. Paulrasu, IAS**  
Secy. Coop HP Govt.

Secretary for Cooperation, Horticulture, and Agriculture in the Govt. of HP. Previously, held the position of Secretary (Administrative Reforms, Training & Foreign Assignments and Redressal of Public Grievances) to the Govt. of HP.



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**Dr. R. Shreenath Reddy**  
Managing Director, APCOB

Managing Director and CEO of The Andhra Pradesh State Co-operative Bank (APCOB), bringing significant expertise in cooperative banking and rural development. His extensive career includes prior roles at the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and NABARD Consultancy Services (NABCONS). He is recognized for his focus on agricultural finance, financial inclusion, and credit risk assessment.



**Sh. Dinesh Kapila**  
CGM NABARD (Retd.)

Retired as Chief General Manager (CGM) of NABARD and a mentor and consultant in agriculture, rural development, and financial inclusion. He has extensive experience in rural credit, policy advocacy, and developmental initiatives, having worked with NABARD for over three decades.

#### Moderator

5:15 PM - 8:00 PM

### Welcoming the Chief guests followed by “NAFSCOB Best Performance Award”, keynote addresses & Closing ceremony

By Sh. Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu Hon'ble Chief Minister Himachal Pradesh in the August presence of Sh. Krishan Pal Gurjar, Sh. Mukesh Agnihotri and Sh. Dhan Singh Rawat

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**Sh. Dhan Singh Rawat**  
Hon'ble Minister of Cooperation  
Uttarakhand

Cabinet Minister of Uttarakhand . He has served as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Uttarakhand, representing the constituency of Srinagar Garhwal



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**Sh. Krishan Pal Gurjar**  
Hon'ble MoS for Cooperation, GOI

An Indian politician currently serving as the Union Minister of State for Cooperation. He was elected to the 18th Lok Sabha in June 2024, representing the Faridabad constituency in Haryana. Prior to his current role, he has served as the Union Minister of State in the Ministry of Power.



**Sh. Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu**  
Hon'ble Chief Minister, Himachal Pradesh

An Indian politician and the current Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh. He is a 4-time MLA from the Nadaun constituency and served as the President of the Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee from 2013 to 2019. He was elected to the State Legislative Assembly in 2003, 2007, and 2017, and secured his fourth term in December 2022.



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## Post 8:00 PM Networking Dinner

### TRAVEL GUIDE

#### How to Reach Shimla (By Air and By Road)

Shimla is a Capital City of Himachal Pradesh. The Venue of the National Cooperative Conference on 13-14 September, 2025 is located in central location of Shimla at Hotel Peterhoff, Chaura Maidan, Shimla (a Unit of HPTDC).

Shimla is well connected through Air Connectivity and by Road.

First option, there is regular daily **Flight No. 91-821** from **New Delhi to Jubbarhatti Airport (Shimla)** operated by **Alliance Air**. This flight takes off at 06.10 hrs and arrives at 07.25 hrs at Shimla. Total air time it takes is around 1.15 hrs.

**Second option** for travel by air upto Chandigarh, which is an International Airport located in the vicinity. This airport is well connected and numbers of regular flights are being operated by different airlines from various parts of the country. Even, international flights are being operated from Chandigarh Airport.

Further, for by road journey, Shimla is located at a distance of approximately 120 kms from Chandigarh. It takes around 3.30 hrs to reach by Car. Majority portion of this road is four lane connectivity.

Since, the Opening Ceremony of the Conference is set to take place at 13.00 hrs on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2025, the dignitaries are requested to chalk-out their travel plan/itinerary in such a way so as to reach Shimla latest by 12.30 hrs for check-in at Venue.

The dignitaries, who opt for air travel upto Chandigarh, the Bank has made arrangements for airport transfer by providing vehicle at Chandigarh Airport for pick-up/dropping as per the itinerary.

For any assistance/further query, please do not hesitate to contact us on official numbers (0177)-2804489, 2804490, 2804492.







## Our Esteemed Partners



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