

List of **State** and **Union Territory Cooperative Acts** across India

These Acts (links provided) govern the registration, regulation, and functioning of cooperative societies within their respective jurisdictions.

State Cooperative Society Acts

State	Cooperative Act Link
Andhra Pradesh	AP Cooperative Societies Act
Arunachal Pradesh	Arunachal Cooperative Act (PDF)
Assam	Assam Cooperative Acts
Bihar	Bihar Cooperative Societies Act, 1935
Chhattisgarh	CG Cooperative Societies Act
Goa	Goa Cooperative Societies Act (PDF)
Gujarat	Gujarat Cooperative Societies Act, 1961
Haryana	Haryana Cooperative Societies Act (PDF)
Himachal Pradesh	HP Cooperative Societies Act, 1968
Jharkhand	Jharkhand Cooperative Societies Act, 2008
Karnataka	Karnataka Cooperative Societies Act, 1959
Kerala	Kerala Cooperative Societies Act, 1969
Madhya Pradesh	MP Cooperative Societies Act, 1960
Maharashtra	Maharashtra Cooperative Societies Act
Manipur	Manipur Cooperative Societies Act, 1976
Meghalaya	Meghalaya Cooperative Societies Act, 2015
Mizoram	Mizoram Cooperative Societies Act (FAO)
Nagaland	Nagaland Cooperative Societies Act, 2017 (PDF)
Odisha	Odisha Cooperative Acts & Rules
Punjab	Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961

State	Cooperative Act Link
Rajasthan	Rajasthan Cooperative Societies Act (PDF)
Sikkim	Sikkim Cooperative Societies Act, 1978
Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu Cooperative Societies Act, 1983
Telangana	Telangana Cooperative Acts & Rules
Tripura	Tripura Cooperative Societies Act
Uttar Pradesh	UP Cooperative Societies Act
Uttarakhand	Uttarakhand Cooperative Act, 2003
West Bengal	WB Cooperative Societies Act, 2006 (PDF)

Union Territory Cooperative Acts

Union Territory	Cooperative Act Link
Chandigarh	Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961 ***
Jammu & Kashmir	J&K Cooperative Societies Act, 1989 (PDF)
Puducherry	Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972
Delhi	Delhi Cooperative Societies Act & Rules, 2003
Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Ladakh and Lakshadweep	Cooperative Societies Act, 1912

Note 1: ***

Applicable Cooperative Act in Chandigarh

Despite its dual role, **Chandigarh follows the Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961, as adapted specifically for the Union Territory.** This is not a choice between Punjab or Haryana—it's a **UT-level adoption** of the Punjab Act.

According to the [official Chandigarh Administration](#), all cooperative societies in Chandigarh are registered under:

The Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961 (as applicable to UT Chandigarh)

This adaptation includes amendments to align with the **97th Constitutional Amendment**, ensuring democratic governance, transparency, and reservation norms within cooperative boards.

Why Not Haryana's Act?

- **Haryana's Cooperative Act** is not applicable in Chandigarh.
- The UT has its own **Registrar of Cooperative Societies**, who operates under the adapted Punjab Act.
- Even though Chandigarh is the capital of Haryana, **legal jurisdiction for cooperative registration lies with the UT administration**, not the Haryana state government.

What This Means for us if we are forming a cooperative in Chandigarh:

- You must register under the **Punjab Cooperative Societies Act, 1961 (UT version)**.
- Members must reside or operate within Chandigarh jurisdiction.
- You cannot simultaneously be a member of another state's cooperative society unless explicitly permitted under multi-state provisions.

Note 2: Out of 8 Union Territories, only 4 have direct links to their specific Cooperative Acts. Here's how the remaining 4 are governed, and what applies in each case:

[Cooperative Governance in Remaining Union Territories](#)

Why the 1912 Act Applies

- The **Cooperative Societies Act, 1912** is a central legislation still in force in Union Territories that haven't enacted their own cooperative laws. It provides a basic framework for registration, governance, and dissolution of societies, though it lacks modern provisions like democratic elections and transparency mandates introduced in newer state acts.
- You can explore the full text of the 1912 Act on [India Code's official portal](#).