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UTTARAKHAND COOPERATIVE SUMMIT 2026

Sahkar se Samriddhi

Unlocking Uttarakhand's Local Potential through
Value Chains, Livelihoods & Markets

.....• **COOPERATIVES** FOR RURAL PROSPERITY •.....



1 OCTOBER 2026
THURSDAY



DEHRADUN

Hyatt Centric Dehradun*



09:30 AM onwards

THE PHDCCI INITIATIVE



PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI), a national apex industry body with over 1,50,000 large, medium and small industries, works as a partner to industry and Government, bringing together stakeholders to promote economic growth, entrepreneurship and integrated development.



Through its **Committee on Cooperatives**, PHDCCI is committed to strengthening India's cooperative ecosystem by facilitating dialogue among cooperative institutions, Government, industry, financial institutions and other stakeholders.



The **Uttarakhand Cooperative Summit 2026** is envisaged as a focused platform to bring Uttarakhand's cooperative ecosystem together with the wider industry and market ecosystem, with particular emphasis on the state's horticulture, dairy, livestock, agriculture and allied rural enterprises.



The Summit will facilitate dialogue around local value chains, cooperative-led enterprise development, market access and sustainable rural livelihoods.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT



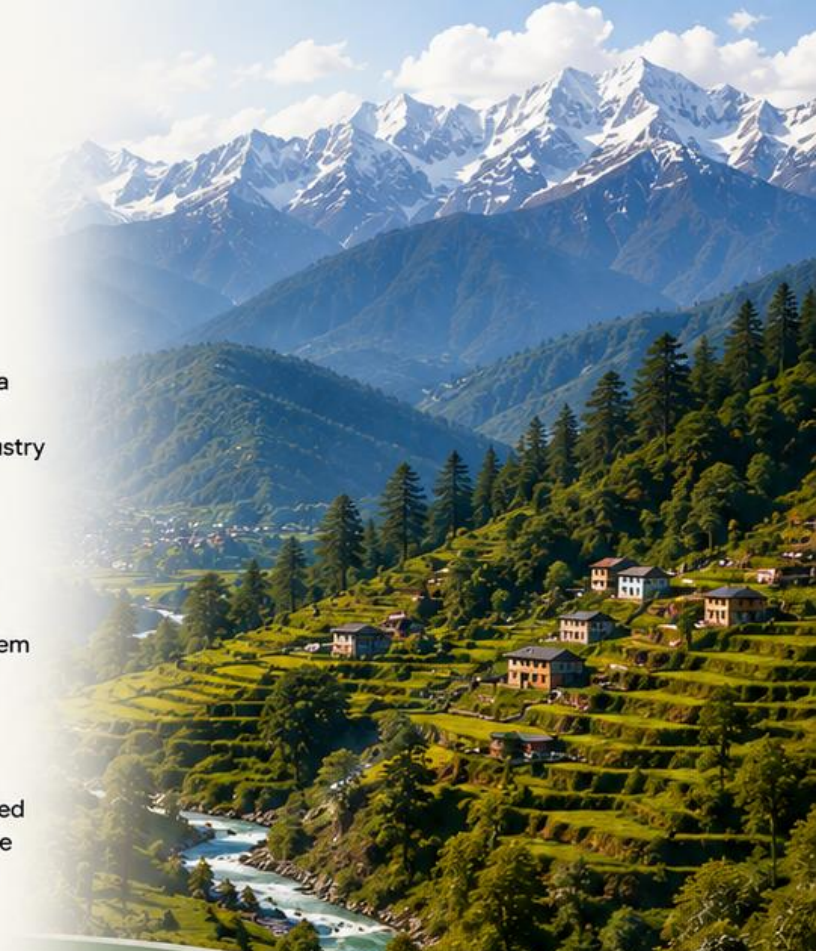
Uttarakhand has a strong and highly diversified cooperative ecosystem, with more than **5,500** primary cooperative societies operating across a wide range of economic and livelihood activities. The state's cooperative network extends beyond traditional credit activities to include dairy, agriculture and allied activities, fisheries, livestock and poultry, marketing, agro-processing, horticulture, handloom, handicrafts, sericulture, tourism and other rural enterprises. Among these, Dairy Cooperatives constitute the largest segment with **2,816** societies, followed by **672 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS)**, reflecting the significant role of cooperatives in the state's rural economy.



What makes Uttarakhand particularly relevant is the diversity of its local production and livelihood systems. Across its different agro-climatic regions, the state is known for **off-season and other hill fruits, litchi, citrus, off-season vegetables, millets** and traditional crops, herbs, spices, medicinal and aromatic plants, alongside strong **dairy, livestock and fisheries activities**. This creates a wide base of local products and rural enterprises that can benefit from collective aggregation, value addition and organised market linkages.



The state's cooperative ecosystem therefore presents an opportunity to move beyond primary production towards stronger value chains, enabling producers to collectively access inputs, technology, processing, storage, branding and wider markets. With cooperatives already present across key rural sectors, there is significant scope to strengthen their role as **enterprise-oriented institutions** that can **create greater value for producers and support sustainable rural livelihoods**.



OBJECTIVES



Strengthen Uttarakhand's cooperative ecosystem by identifying opportunities for more effective and market-oriented cooperative enterprises.



Encourage local entrepreneurship and livelihoods, particularly for farmers, rural producers, women and youth.



Explore cooperative-led value chains in horticulture, hill produce, dairy, livestock and other locally relevant sectors.



Promote value addition and market access for products originating from Uttarakhand's rural and hill regions.



Facilitate collaboration between cooperatives, Government, industry, financial institutions and market players.



OUTCOMES



Deliberations on priority cooperative **value chains** for Uttarakhand.



Stronger **linkages** between cooperatives, producers and markets.



Greater focus on **processing, value addition, branding** and market access for local products.



Opportunities for **industry-cooperative partnerships** in technology, finance, processing and marketing.



Action-oriented **recommendations** for strengthening cooperative-led rural enterprises and livelihoods.



TARGET AUDIENCE



Cooperative Institutions & Societies, including PACS, Dairy, Agriculture & Allied, Marketing, Livestock & Poultry, Fishery and Agro-Processing Cooperatives



Government & Public Institutions, including Uttarakhand Government, Cooperation, Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Rural Development stakeholders



Financial & Development Institutions, including NABARD, NCDC, banks and other financial institutions



Industry & Market Stakeholders, including Dairy & Food Processing, Horticulture & Agri Businesses, Retail, E-commerce and Institutional Buyers



Technology, Processing & Infrastructure Players, including Agri-tech, Cold Chain, Logistics, Packaging and Processing companies



Farmers, Rural Producers, Women & Youth Entrepreneurs, along with Start-ups, Research Institutions and Academic Experts



PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

TIME	SESSION / PROGRAMME	THEME & FOCUS
09:30 – 10:30 AM	 Registration & Networking	
10:30 – 11:15 AM	 INAUGURAL SESSION	Sahkar se Samridhhi: Strengthening Uttarakhand's Cooperative Economy Strengthening cooperatives as platforms for local production, rural livelihoods , enterprise development and market-oriented growth .
11:15 AM – 12:00 PM	 TECHNICAL SESSION I	Strengthening Value Chains in Uttarakhand's Horticulture & Hill Produce Exploring opportunities across fruits, off-season vegetables, traditional crops, herbs and spices, with focus on aggregation, value addition, processing, branding and market access .
12:00 – 12:45 PM	 TECHNICAL SESSION II	From Production to Prosperity: Strengthening Rural Enterprises & Livelihoods in Uttarakhand Exploring dairy, livestock, fisheries and other rural enterprises, with focus on productivity, value addition, entrepreneurship, market linkages and sustainable livelihoods.
01:25 – 01:30 PM	 Closing Remarks & Vote of Thanks	
01:30 PM onwards	 Networking Lunch	

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