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Dear Secretary,

I would like to inform you that the United Nations has declared the Year 2025 as International Year of Cooperative (UN-IYC-2025). This was officially launched in India by the Hon'ble Prime Minister in the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) Global Conference held recently at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

- 2. The theme of the UN-IYC-2025 is "Cooperatives Build a Better World," underscoring the transformative role cooperatives play in promoting social inclusion, economic empowerment, and sustainable development. The UN SDGs recognize cooperatives as crucial drivers of sustainable development, particularly in reducing inequality, promoting decent work, and alleviating poverty. The year 2025 will be a global initiative aimed at showcasing the power of cooperative enterprises in addressing the world's most pressing challenges. In India, around 30 crores members associated with the Cooperative Sector are to be geared up to overcome these challenges and to play a significant role to achieve the goal of Viksit Bharat @2047.
- 3. To commemorate this zeal and promote it across the country, I request you to use the Logo of UN-IYC-2025 on your Ministry's/Department's website, portals, stationery items, events and prominent places in the premises and also direct the Public Sector Undertakings/ Autonomous Bodies under your ministry to do the same, to create awareness about the importance of Cooperatives. The Logo and tagline of UN-IYC-2025 is enclosed.
 - 4. I look forward to your support in this matter.

Waem regards

Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above.

(Dr. Ashish Kumar Bhutani)

To,

Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments, Govt. of India



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