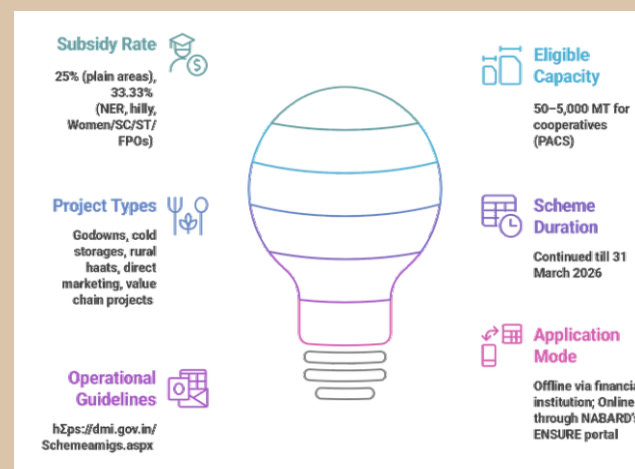


Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure

Aim : To develop marketing infrastructure to effectively handle and manage marketable surpluses of agricultural and allied produce to enhance farmers' income.

Administered By: Directorate of Marketing & Inspection (DMI) of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

Channelizing Agency for Subsidy : NABARD



Documents required by PACS

- Project report Land ownership/lease documents
- Approvals from relevant cooperative authorities
- Financial statements
- KYC documents

Subsidies under various schemes

1.AMI (Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure) Scheme

- Capital Subsidy: 33.33% for storage units/godowns.
- Margin Money: Reduced to 10% (from earlier 20%).
- Ancillary Subsidy: Up to 1/3 of godown subsidy or actuals, whichever is lower.

2. AIF (Agriculture Infrastructure Fund)

- Interest Subvention: 3% on loans up to ₹2 crore.
- Loan Tenure: Up to 7 years.
- Credit Guarantee: Available for eligible loans.

3. State Schemes

- Subsidy: Up to 73% in certain states (e.g., Gujarat).
- Coverage: For specified capacities and as per the respective state policy.

Support Channels:

Support Channel	Contact/Method
Ministry of Cooperation	Official website, scheme guidelines
State/District Cooperative Department	Local offices, registrar, DCDC meetings
NCDC/NABARD	Regional offices, project officers
AIF Portal	Online application, FAQs, helpdesk
NCCF/NAFED	Regional offices, cooperative federations

Note: This document provides a broad summary only. Please refer to official website for complete details and detailed application procedures.
Website: <https://agriinfra.dac.gov.in/>



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Setting up of Rural Godown under World's largest Grain Storage Programme by Primary Agricultural Cooperative Societies (PACS)



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Background

Under the Pilot Project of World's Largest Grain Storage Plan in cooperative sector, godowns at Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) level are constructed. Under the Plan, subsidies and interest subvention are given to PACS through convergence of various existing Government of India schemes, like Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF), Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure Scheme (AMI), etc.

Benefits to Farmers

Characteristic	Benefit
Storage Options	Store produce, avoid distress sales
Access to Services	Agricultural inputs, village-level services
Income Diversification	Additional income through varied activities
Market Expansion	Better prices through food supply chain



Eligibility Criteria for PACS

Identification and approval

- Identified by State/UT governments based on regional food grain storage requirements.
- Approval by the respective District Cooperative Development Committees (DCDCs), chaired by District Collector

Land requirement

- There is no mandatory requirement of one acre of land for construction of godown under the pilot project. The land needed depends on the planned godown capacity and chosen infrastructure components.
- The land may be leased or owned by PACS.

Financial support available

- Agriculture Infrastructure Fund(AIF)
- Agriculture Marketing Infrastructure Scheme (AMI)
- Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM)
- State government schemes

Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)

Aim : To provide financial support for building community farming assets and post-harvest infrastructure, including storage facilities, to improve farm gate infrastructure.

Administered By: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

Scheme Features

- **Interest Subvention:**
 - 3% per annum up to ₹2 crore per project.
 - Effective interest rate can be as low as 1% for PACS (via NABARD).

Credit Guarantee:

- Available up to ₹2 crore per project.
- Through CGTMSE or NABSanrakshan.

• Project Eligibility:

- Up to 25 projects per PACS.
- Maximum ₹2 crore per project.

• Eligible Activities:

- Storage
- Cold chain
- Processing
- Custom hiring
- Packaging
- Other related activities

• Scheme Duration:

- 2020–21 to 2032–33.
- Loan disbursement allowed until 2025–26.

• Convergence:

- Can be combined with other central/state schemes.

- **Margin Cost :** Minimum 10% of total cost

How to Apply ?

Identification	• PACS selected by State/UI and DCDC based on storage needs
Project Planning	• Prepare proposal with capacity, design, cost and scheme convergence
Financial Planning	• Identify and plan for AIF/AMI or other government scheme supports
Application Submission	• Apply online via [https://agriinfra.dac.gov.in/] with all required documents
Appraisal & Sanction	• Financing agency appraises and sanctions loan/subsidy
Construction	• Begin godown construction; monitored by district/state committees
Disbursement	• Funds released in stages based on progress and verification.
Utilisation	• Godown used for storage, procurement or leased to agencies as per plan