



LOCATION :- Chopda is a taluka place situated near the **Satpuda Range** in the **JALGAON** District in **MAHARASHTRA STATE** in **INDIA**. Chopda is situated in the North of Jalgaon city. World Heritage and the Famous **Ajanta Caves** are just 56 Km. from **Jalgaon** city. Jalgaon District is also famous for **Bananas & Cotton**. Chopda is just 55 Km. from Jalgaon via Vidgao and 65 Km. via Dharangaon. Jalgaon is on Mumbai-Agra route 420 Km from **Mumbai**, 450 Km from **Pune** and 150 Km from **Aurangabad** by *Railway or Road* route.

GENERAL :- Tapi and Gul rivers are passing through Chopda which has developed the agricultural potential of the Taluka. Sugarcane is a cash crop which is widely grown in the taluka. There are 120 villages in the Taluka and the population is 1,20,000. Chopda is fortunate enough to have 3 Member of Legislative Assembly. *viz.* **Shri. Arunbhai Gujrathi , Shri. Kailsabapu Patil and Shri. Patilsir**. Due to three Members of Legislative Assembly(MLA) the Taluka is fastly progressing.

Area of Chopda Taluka is about 95,436 Hectares. Out of which 19,192 Ha. of land is under forest and out of remaining about 71,000 Ha. of land is under cultivation. There are 117 villages and 89 **Grampanchayat** in the Taluka. The population of the Taluka is about 2,32,673 of which 13,591 belongs to the scheduled caste and 38,040 belongs to the scheduled tribe. **Unapdeo and Sunapdeo** are the **tourist attraction** famous for **Hot water Spring**. The average rainfall is about 700 mm.

CO-OPERATIVE ORGANISATION :- Maharashtra state is on the top of the country in the co-operative movement. There are 305 various types of registered Co-operative societies in the Taluka. In India in the year of 1904 the first Co-operative act came into existence and since then various amendments took place as per the requirement of the members and time. At present **Maharashtra Co-operative societies Act 1960** is in force. The Minister for co-operation in the

state is **Hon. Shri. Patangrao Kadam**, and that State minister for co-operation is **Hon. Jaiprakash Dandegaokar**. The department is working under the able control **Commissioner and Registrar for co-operation, Maharashtra State**, **Hon. Shri. Anil Diggikar**. The State is divided into 7 divisions for the sake of ease of control over the movement. The Divisional Head is known as **Divisional Joint Registrar, co-operative Societies**. Jalgaon district is in the **Nasik Division** and the Divisional Joint Registrar is **Hon. Shri. A.K.Chavan** under his kind and able guidance the co-operative movement in the division is working nicely. **Hon. Shri. Shrikant Deshmukh** is **District Deputy Registrar**. Chopda Taluka is under the control of **Shri. Jitendra Gulabrao Kandare, Assistant Registrar of co-operative societies**. The Co-operative Department Registers various co-operative societies as per the policy decided by the Government and provisions under the M.C.S. Act 1960. Audit of all registered co-op. societies is carried out at the end of the Financial and co-operative year i.e. 31st March of every year. If required, various statutory actions are taken as per the provisions of the Act.