GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

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SETTING UP OF FOOD PARKS IN BIHAR

1220. SHRIMATI KAHKASHAN PERWEEN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to establish Food Parks in Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government would establish Food Parks in all districts of Bihar and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Food Processing Industries is presently not implementing Food Parks scheme. However, Ministry of Food Processing Industries has been implementing Mega Food Park Scheme (MFPS) to create modern infrastructure for the food processing. Mega Food Park Scheme (MFPS) aims at providing modern infrastructure facilities for food processing along the value chain from farm to market. The responsibility of execution, ownership and management of the Mega Food Parks would vest with a Special Purpose Vehicles(SPV) registered under the companies Act. However, State Government/State Government entities/Cooperatives applying for the project under the scheme will not be required to form a separate SPV. Now, this scheme is a component of the new Central Sector Umbrella Scheme – PRADHAN MANTRI KISAN SAMPADA YOJANA. Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not have mandate to establish Mega Food Parks in the country on its own under the Mega Food Park Scheme.

The proposals under scheme for Mega Food Park for setting up of Mega Food Parks in the country are invited through Expression of Interest (EOI) from time to time. Selection of suitable proposals for these projects is done as per the Scheme guidelines, based on the merit, through a stringent appraisal process as per the prefixed criteria. However, as on date, there is no vacant slot available for setting up of new Mega Food Parks in the country. Ministry has not issued any fresh Expression of Interest to seek proposals for setting of new mega food parks under the scheme for Mega Food Park due to non availability of vacant slots. Hence, no proposal is under consideration for establishing Mega Food Parks in all districts of Bihar. Ministry is presently assisting one Mega Food Park in state of Bihar. Details of the Mega Food Park are as under:

S. No.	Project Name	Project Cost	Date of In- principle Approval	Date of Final Approval	Amount of grant approved	Amount of grant released	Status
1.	Pristine Mega Food Park Pvt.	127.64	21.09.2012	06.08.2014	43.77	14.56	Under Implementation
	Ltd., Khagaria, Bihar						