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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
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REVAMPING FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

3471. SHRI S. SELVAGANABATHY:

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

- (a) whether food processing industry still faces some formidable constraints that need to be addressed urgently for India to catch up with developed countries where a sizeable part of the produce is processed to add value and more so, stretch their shelf life;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) & (b): Yes sir. In order to deal with constraints faced by Food Processing sector and to ensure its overall growth and development across the country, the Ministry of Food Processing industries (MoFPI) has been implementing Central Sector Umbrella Scheme - Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), centrally sponsored PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME) and Central Sector Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLISFPI).

Under component schemes of PMKSY, MoFPI provides mostly credit linked financial assistance (capital subsidy) in the form of grants-in-aid to individuals, farmers, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Entrepreneurs, Cooperatives, Societies, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Private Companies and Central/ State PSUs etc. for setting up of food processing industries/ units/ projects. Ministry provides financial, technical and business support for setting up/ upgradation of micro food processing enterprises under PMFME scheme. PLISFPI is targeted to facilitate expansion of food processing capacity by creating champion brands in Food Processing Sector.

(c): Does not arise.
