GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1075** ANSWERED ON 10TH FEBRUARY, 2023

'SETTING UP OF FPI UNDER PMKSY IN GUJARAT'

1075. SHRI NARHARI AMIN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has invited proposals from the State of Gujarat for setting up food processing units/industries under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY);
- (b) if so, the details of the proposals received so far;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any study in Gujarat for setting up of FPI, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of assistance provided to entrepreneurs for setting up food processing units in the State of Gujarat during each of the last three years?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MOFPI) is implementing different sub-schemes of "Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)" for extending financial support by way of grants-inaid for setting up of food processing facilities. All sub-schemes under PMKSY are demand-driven wherein project proposals are invited from interested individuals/ entities from across the country, including Gujarat, through Expression of Interest (EoI) floated by the Ministry from time to time. Approvals to the proposals received are accorded on merit basis amongst proposals found eligible as per eligibility and assessment criteria stipulated in the guidelines of the respective sub-schemes. The last such EoI was floated on 21st June 2022. A total of 273 application have been received from individuals/ entities under different sub-schemes of PMKSY so far with proposals to set up food processing facilities in Gujarat, out of which approvals were accorded to 81 eligible projects.

(c): Study to identify gaps in infrastructure for processing of Banana, Mango and Pomegranate in production clusters located in Gujarat were conducted during 2021-22. The major gaps so identified were notified along with the EoI issued on 21st June 2022 inviting project proposals. Weightage in assessment criteria was also announced for those applicants who propose to set up projects in these production clusters. One project each in Vadodara and Kachchh districts have been approved recently for processing of Banana and Pomegranate respectively.

(d): Rs.80.73 crores in 2019-20; Rs.65.29 crores in 2020-21; Rs.52.88 crores in 2021-22; and Rs.43.12 crores in 2022-23 (till 31.01.2023) have been released as grants-in-aid against the approved projects located in Gujarat.