

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 281**  
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**SETTING UP OF COLD STORAGE AT DISTRICT LEVEL**

**281. DR. SUMER SINGH SOLANKI:  
MS. KAVITA PATIDAR:**

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

- (a) whether cold storages would be set up at the district level by Government in near future;
- (b) if so, the number of districts of Madhya Pradesh where such cold storages would be set up, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor and its likely impact on the food processing industry?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) does not support establishment of standalone cold storages. MoFPI is implementing an umbrella scheme named “Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)” wherein assistance is provided for setting up of food processing facilities along with associated preservation facilities, including cold storages, through various subschemes of PMKSY. The sub-schemes of PMKSY are demand driven in nature and proposals for setting up food processing facilities are invited from interested individuals/ entities through Expression of Interest (EoI) floated by the Ministry from time to time.

MoFPI has approved 44 projects in various districts of Madhya Pradesh under different sub-schemes of PMKSY so far, with project cost of Rs.929.96 crores, grants-in-aid of Rs.298.24 crores, processing capacity of 9.107 lakh MT/annum and preservation capacity, including cold storage, of 2.327 lakh MT/annum.

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