GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES **RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *275** TO BE ANSWERED ON 20TH DECEMBER, 2024

STATUS OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED UNDER CEFPPC SCHEME

*275. SHRI SHAKTISINH GOHIL:

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

- (a) Whether it is a fact that more than 600 applications were submitted in October, 2023 by various participants in response to Expression of Interest invited under the Creation / Expansions of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) Scheme;
- (b) if so, the status of such applications and the number of proposals found eligible;
- (c) the number of participants informed about it;
- (d) the reasons for keeping the applications on hold;
- (e) their status and the reasons as to why these have not been cleared in current financial year; and
- (f) the available budget under the scheme?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI CHIRAG PASWAN)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *275 ANSWERED ON 20TH DECEMBER, 2024 REGARDING "STATUS OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED UNDER CEFPPC SCHEME"

(a) to (e). The Ministry of Food Processing Industries had invited online proposals through Expression of Interest (Eol) dated 04.10.2023 under Creation & Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC Scheme) for setting up of food processing units in the country. The last date for submission of Eol was 22.11.2023, which was extended up to 15.12.2023. In response to the Eol, the Ministry had received 1007 online proposals for setting up of food processing units in the country.

Out of 1007 applications, 297 applications belonged to SC/ST/NER & inside Mega Food Park & Agro Processing Clusters category and 710 belonged to general category outside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters. Out of 297 proposals belonging to SC/ST/NER & inside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters category, 162 proposals were found eligible, out of which, 101 proposals were accorded approval. All eligible and ineligible proposals under the category SC/ST/NER & inside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters, who could not be accorded approval, have been informed with reasons for non-approval. No proposal under the category SC/ST/NER & inside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters, is pending or kept on hold.

Evaluation of the remaining 710 proposals received under general category and outside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters has been completed by Technical Committee and recommendations were placed before Project Approval Committee on which PAC has made certain observations which are under examination.

(f). Budget available for according approval to new projects received under general category outside Mega Food Parks & Agro Processing Clusters under 15th FCC period is Rs. 192.75 crores.
