

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 562
ANSWERED ON 07TH FEBRUARY, 2025

COCONUT OIL AND COCONUT MILK PROCESSING PLANT IN ODISHA

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

- (a) Whether Government plans to set up coconut oil and coconut milk processing plants in Odisha;
- (b) the steps taken by Government to promote coconut-based industries in Odisha, including the establishment of processing units and providing financial assistance to farmers and entrepreneurs in the region; and
- (c) whether Government has any plans to support Odisha's coconut industry through schemes in order to increase exports and create employment opportunities in rural areas?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): In order to promote food processing sector including coconut processing industries across the country alongwith the state of Odisha, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been incentivizing setting up/expansion of related infrastructure through its Central Sector schemes namely Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) Scheme, Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) and Centrally Sponsored – Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme across the country. These schemes are not region or state specific but demand driven. MoFPI does not set up food processing units on its own. However, it incentivizes setting up of these Industries through its schemes.

These schemes aim towards creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet which includes storage, transportation, etc., thereby help in providing better returns to farmers and creating huge employment opportunities especially in the rural areas, increasing the processing level and enhancing the export of the processed foods.

Ministry extends financial support to prospective entrepreneurs for setting up of different kinds of food processing industries including processing of coconut oil & coconut milk, as per respective scheme guidelines.

MoFPI has sanctioned 2 Mega food Parks, 9 Cold Chain projects, 1 Agro-processing Clusters projects and 9 Food Processing Units under corresponding component schemes of PMKSY in Odisha State till 31st December, 2024.

A total of 1789 micro food processing enterprises have been approved for assistance under PMFME in Odisha State till 31st December, 2024.

So far, 5 food processing companies have been approved for assistance under various categories of the PLISFPI scheme in Odisha State.

The details of incentives available under these schemes are at **Annexure**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 562 FOR ANSWER ON 07TH FEBRUARY, 2025 REGARDING “COCONUT OIL AND COCONUT MILK PROCESSING PLANT IN ODISHA”

Incentives available under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samapada Yojana (PMKSY)

S. No.	Component Scheme	Scheme Benefits (Grant-in-aid) for projects in General Area	Scheme Benefits (Grant-in-aid) for projects in Difficult Areas as well as SC/ST, FPOs, SHGs
1.	Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure	Grant-in-aid @ 35% of eligible project cost [subject to maximum of Rs.10 crores per project]	Grant-in-aid @ 50% of eligible project cost [subject to maximum of Rs. 10 crores per project]
2.	Creation/ Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities	Grants-in-Aid @35% of eligible project cost [subject to maximum of Rs. 5 crores per project]	Grants-in-Aid @50% of eligible project cost [subject to maximum of Rs.5 crores per project]
3.	Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters	Grants-in-aid @35% of eligible project cost in General Area [subject to maximum of Rs. 10 crores per project]	Grants-in-aid @50% of eligible project [subject to max. of Rs. 10 crore per project]
4.	Operation Greens	Grants-in-Aid @35% of eligible project cost for Integrated Value Chain Development Projects, maximum grants-in-aid would be ₹15 crore per project; and for Standalone Post-Harvest Infrastructure Projects, maximum grants-in-aid would be ₹10 crore per project.	Grants-in-Aid maximum @50% of eligible project cost for Integrated Value Chain Development Projects, maximum grants-in-aid would be ₹15 crore per project; and for Standalone Post-Harvest Infrastructure Projects, maximum grants-in-aid would be ₹10 crore per project.
5.	Food Safety and Quality Assurance - Food Testing Laboratories	100% grants-in-aid for Govt. organizations For Private organizations/entities: grant-in-aid of @ 50% of the eligible cost	For Private organizations/entities: grant-in-aid of @ 70% of the eligible cost
6.	Human Resource & Institutions- Research & Development	For Government Organizations - Grants @ 100% of equipment cost, consumables, For private organizations /universities/institutions, grant @ 50 % of equipment cost.	For Government Organizations - Grants @ 100% of equipment cost, consumables For Private Organizations /Universities/ Institutions, Grants @ 70% of equipment cost.

The details of assistance available to Micro Food Processing Enterprises under PMFME Scheme

- (i). *Support to Individual / Group Category Micro Enterprises:* Credit-linked capital subsidy @35% of the eligible project cost, maximum ceiling Rs.10 lakh per unit;
- (ii). *Support to SHGs for seed capital:* Seed capital @ Rs. 40,000/- per member of SHG engaged in food processing for working capital and purchase of small tools subject to maximum of Rs. 4 lakh per SHG Federation.
- (iii). *Support for Common Infrastructure:* Credit linked capital subsidy @35% subject to maximum of Rs. 3 crore to support FPOs, SHGs, Cooperatives and any Government agency for setting up of common infrastructure. The common infrastructure will also be available for other units and public to utilize on hiring basis for substantial part of the capacity.
- (iv). *Branding and Marketing Support:* Grant upto 50% for Branding and Marketing to groups of FPOs/ SHGs/ Cooperatives or an SPV of micro food processing enterprises.
- (v). *Capacity Building:* The scheme envisages training for Entrepreneurship Development Skilling (EDP+): program modified to meet the requirement of food processing industry and product specific skilling.
