GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 720

ANSWERED ON 25TH JULY, 2025

MEASURES TO BOOST FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN PUNJAB

720. SHRI RAGHAV CHADHA:

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

- (a) whether Government recognizes the significant potential of the food processing industry in Punjab, particularly given its robust agricultural base;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilized for food processing projects in Punjab over the last five years;
- (c) the steps taken to address challenges like lack of infrastructure, market linkages and technology for food processing in the region;
- (d) the current status of food parks and other food processing initiatives by Government in Punjab; and
- (e) the measures proposed to promote investment, create jobs and enhance value addition in Punjab's food processing sector?

ANSWER

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

- (a): In view of its rich agricultural produce base, Punjab has potential to develop strong Food Processing Sector and Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) incentivizes entrepreneurs to establish related Industries in the state 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.
- (b): State/UT-wise allocation of funds are not made under PMKSY & PLISFPI. Year-wise total allocation & funds utilized under PMKSY & PLISFPI since 2019-20 and details of Centre share of funds released to states/UTs under PMFME scheme since 2020-21 are at **Annexure-I.**
- (c): In order to ensure overall development of Food Processing Sector and to help it face various challenges, MoFPI is implementing PMKSY Scheme, PLISFPI and PMFME scheme across the country including Punjab.
- (d): The details of food processing projects approved by MoFPI under the said three scheme in the State of Punjab is at **Annexure-II.**
- (e): Ministry provides financial support to prospective entrepreneurs for setting up of food processing industries, as per respective scheme guidelines. These schemes aim towards creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet which includes storage, transportation, value addition, etc., thereby help in providing better returns to farmers and creating huge employment opportunities across the country including Punjab.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 720 FOR ANSWER ON $25^{\rm TH}$ JULY, 2025 REGARDING "MEASURES TO BOOST FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN PUNJAB"

Details of funds allocated and funds utilized in PMKSY & PLISFPI shemes of MoFPI

(Rs in Crores)

<u>Scheme</u>	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
	R.E.	A.E.	R.E.	A.E.	R.E.	A.E	R.E.	A.E	R.E.	A.E
PMKSY	750.00	667.05	791	713.49	673.00	561.92	745	666.20	630	540.12
PLISFPI	Scheme starte	ed in 2021-22	10	9.27	801	489.83	1150	590.50	700	450.49

R.E.—Revised Estimates, A.E.- Actual Expenditure

Funds released to Punjab under PMFME Scheme since 2020-21

(Rs in Crores)

State	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Punjab	5.7624	9.35	16.31	30.65	87.80*

^{*}Center share released including 'Mother Sanction'

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Food Processing Industries approved/completed in Punjab state under corresponding component schemes of PMKSY since inception

Sl. No.	Component Scheme	No. of projects Approved	No. of projects Completed	Grants –in–aid Approved (Rs. Crore)	
1	Mega Food Parks	3	2	136.43	
2	Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure	24	21	153.55	
3	Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters Scheme	3	1	20.11	
4	Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities Scheme	16	11	61.25	
5	Scheme for Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages	4	4	12.62	
6	Operation Greens	1	0	9.84	

Micro Food Processing Industry based proposals approved in Punjab state under PMFME

No of Micro Food Processing Industries approved with credit linked subsidy: 2795 Number of Self Help Groups supported for Seed Capital: 1407

Food Processing Projects based proposals approved in Punjab state under PLISFPI

No of Food Processing Projects approved with committed investment of Rs 126.31: 09
