

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 733
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SUPPORT FOR MILLET-BASED PROCESSING UNITS

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

- (a) the number of millet-based processing units sanctioned and operational across States;
- (b) the incentives or subsidies available for micro and small millet entrepreneurs;
- (c) the steps taken to promote value-added millet products in domestic and export markets;
- (d) the status of district-level common facilities or processing centres for millets; an
- (e) the support provided to women-led Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) to strengthen their participation in the millet value chain?

ANSWER

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

(a): 29 applicants have been approved under Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Millet-Based Products (PLISMBP) at 45 locations throughout the country and all are operational. In addition, 4,366 micro food processing units have been sanctioned for millet processing under Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme.

(b) & (c): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing the Production Linked Incentive Scheme for the Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) for a period from FY 2021-22 to FY 2026-27. One component of the scheme focuses on Millet-Based Products, with an outlay of Rs. 800 crores. This component was launched keeping in view International Year of Millets (IYOM). The objectives of the PLI Scheme for Millet-Based Products (PLISMBP) are to increase the use of millets in food products and promote their value addition by incentivizing the manufacturing and sale of selected millet-based products in both domestic and export markets.

Apart from incentivizing millets-based food processing units under PLISMBP, millet-based units are also eligible for availing benefits under other MoFPI's schemes like Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) and Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY). The Ministry extends financial support to prospective entrepreneurs for setting up of different kinds of food processing industries including millet processing, as per respective scheme guidelines.

(d): The State/District-wise Common Incubation Centres (CICs) approved under PMFME Scheme for providing common processing facilities for millets across the country is at **Annexure-I**.

(e): The support available to women-led Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) to strengthen their participation in the millet value chain under Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme is at **Annexure-II**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 733 FOR ANSWER ON 05.12.2025 REGARDING “SUPPORT FOR MILLET-BASED PROCESSING UNITS”

State/District-wise Common Incubation Centres (CICs) approved under PMFME Scheme for providing common processing facilities for millets across the country

Sl. No.	State	District	Location of CIC
1	Andhra Pradesh	Vishakhapatnam	Acharya N. G. Ranga Agricultural University at its Regional Agricultural Research Station, Anakapalle
2	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	Food Technology College, Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishvavidyalaya
3	Chhattisgarh	Bastar	Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Jagdalpur, Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishvavidyalaya
4	Karnataka	Vijayapura	University of Agriculture Sciences, Dharwad at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Vijayapura
5	Kerala	Thrissur	Kerala Agricultural University
6	Madhya Pradesh	Morena	Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK)-Morena
7	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	College of Agriculture, Gwalior, Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vishvavidyalaya (RVSKVV)
8	Maharashtra	Pune	Shardabai Pawar Mahila College, Baramati, Pune
9	Rajasthan	Alwar	Krishi Upaj Mandi Samiti, Alwar
10	Rajasthan	Barmer	Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Danta, Barmer
11	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli	National Research Centre for Banana
12	Telangana	Hyderabad	Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agriculture University, Agriculture Innovation Hub
13	Telangana	Jagitial	Regional Agriculture Research Station, Jagtiyal
14	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly	Govt. Food Science Training Center, Bareilly
15	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	Govt. Food Science Training Center Varanasi
16	Uttar Pradesh	Basti	Govt. Food Science Training Center, Basti
17	Uttar Pradesh	Jhansi	Govt. Food Science Training Center, Jhansi

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The details of support available to women-led Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) to strengthen their participation in the millet value chain under PMFME Scheme are as under:

- (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) modified to meet the requirement of food processing industry and product specific skilling.
