GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 734

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RURAL FOOD PROCESSING ENHANCEMENT UNDER PMFME SCHEME

734. SHRI SANJAY KUMAR JHA:

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

- (a) whether Government is linking rural-based food processing qualifications to the Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector under the PMFME scheme;
- (b) the present status of units and credit availed under this scheme; and
- (c) whether Mega Food Park expansion is proposed in Bihar for Makhana, Litchi and Banana processing, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing a Centrally Sponsored "Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme" for providing financial, technical and business support for setting up of new/ upgradation of micro food processing enterprises in the country. The scheme aims to enhance the competitiveness of micro-enterprises in the unorganized segment of the food processing industry and promote formalization of the sector. As per the scheme guidelines, there is no qualification criteria prescribed for micro food processing enterprises willing to avail the benefit under the scheme.
- **(b):** Under the PMFME Scheme, 1,62,744 micro food processing units have been sanctioned for credit linked subsidy with loan amount of Rs. 13234.90 crore till 31st October 2025.
- (c): No such proposal is under consideration as the Mega Food Park Scheme implemented by MoFPI has been discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021.
