# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

### LOK SABHA

### **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1415** ANSWERED ON 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2017

#### COLD STORAGE IN MAHARASHTRA

#### **1415.** SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has provided any assistance to establish cold storage in Maharashtra specially in Nasik district to save fruits and vegetables from spoilage during the last three years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, Year-wise?

#### **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing the Central Sector Scheme of Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure. Under the scheme, State wise funds are not allocated. However, the Ministry has provided financial assistance of Rs71.10 crore to 28 projects for setting up of Integrated cold chain and preservation infrastructure facilities in Maharashtra during last three years. Of this, 4 cold chain projects have been assisted in Nashik with financial assistance of Rs 15.14 crore during last three years. The year wise details of financial assistance provided by the Ministry to set up integrated cold chain projects in Maharashtra during last three years are as under:

| Year    | Amount |
|---------|--------|
| 2015-16 | 36.84  |
| 2016-17 | 32.19  |
| 2017-18 | 2.07   |
| Total   | 71.10  |

Further, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for holistic development of horticulture which also provides assistance for creation of post harvest infrastructure including establishment of Cold Storages. Under the MIDH scheme, 29 cold storages have been set up with total financial assistance of Rs.31.86 crore in Maharashtra. Of this, 2 cold storages have been with set up with financial assistance of Rs.148.62 lakh in Nashik District during last three years.

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