GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2250 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31ST JULY, 2018

SETTING UP OF COLD STORAGE CHAINS

2250. SHRI JANAK RAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ‡ãðŠãäÓã एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ¨ããè

be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been formulated in coordination with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and the Ministry of Food Processing Industries for setting up of cold storage chains; and

(b) if so, the necessary steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) which includes, Inter-alia, assistance for setting up of post-harvest infrastructure including cold storage/cold chain.

Under MIDH, credit-linked back ended subsidy @ 35% of the project cost in general areas (and 50% in case of hilly and schedule areas) is available for setting up of post-harvest infrastructure, including cold storage/cold chain. The component is demand/entrepreneur-driven from among entrepreneurs, private companies, cooperatives, farmers groups etc through commercial ventures.

Further, Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana to provide integrated cold chain and preservation infrastructure facilities. Under this scheme, Ministry provides financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @ 35% for general area (50% in case of hilly and schedule areas) subject to a maximum grant-in-aid of Rs.10.00 crore per project for setting up of integrated cold chain projects.
