GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1592

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SCHEMES FOR PROCESSING AGRO-PRODUCTS

1592. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any long term scheme for processing of agroproducts in the rural areas of Madhya Pradesh; and
- (b) if so, the details in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): An innovative umbrella scheme, 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY)' has been launched in 2017 to promote modernisation and capacity enhancement of food processing industries in the country in all aspects including infrastructure and environment friendly packaging. The implementation period of the scheme is 2016-2020 with a total allocation of Rs.6000 crores. The PMKSY has seven component schemes viz; (i) Mega Food Parks, (ii) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure, (iii) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters, (iv) Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages, (v) Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities, (vi) Food Safety and Quality Assurance Infrastructure and (vii) Human Resources and Institutions. The PMKSY is implemented in all areas including rural areas of all the States of India including in the State of Madhya Pradesh. The schemes under PMKSY are demand driven. The objectives of PMKSY are to create modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet, to give a major boost to the growth of food processing sector in the country and help government's initiative in doubling of farmers' income, create huge employment opportunities especially in the rural areas, reduce wastage of agricultural produces, increase the processing level and enhance the export of the processed foods.
