GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3670

ANSWERED ON 16TH JULY, 2019

LACK OF SUFFICIENT FPIs

3670. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM:

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

- (a) whether farmers are facing losses due to lack of sufficient Food Processing Industries (FPIs) in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has sought help from developed nations to establish food processing industries and if so, the details thereof, country-wise;
- (c) the amount of assistance provided by these countries to develop food processing industries in the country; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to establish food processing industries under Public-Private Partnership model?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): As per the Studies, "Assessment of Quantitative Harvest and Post-Harvest Losses of Major Crops and Commodities in India" carried out by Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology (CIPHET), Ludhiana in 2015, the estimated cumulative percentages of annual harvest and post-harvest losses of major agricultural produce are as follows:

Agricultural Produce	Cumulative loss (%)
Cereals	4.65-5.99
Pulses	6.36-8.41
Oil Seeds	3.08-9.96
Fruits & Vegetables	4.58-15.88
Milk	0.92
Fisheries (inland)	5.23
Fisheries (marine)	10.52
Meat	2.71
Poultry Meat	6.74

- (b) & (c): The Government has not sought any assistance from the developed countries. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is organizing and taking part in various promotional activities at national and international level to showcase India's potential and opportunities in the food processing sector to attract foreign investment in food processing sector from all across the globe. The Ministry organized a mega international event, World Food India 2017 during 3-5 November, 2017 to this end.
- (d): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not set up any food processing industries/ units/projects/plants on its own. Under the Central Sector Scheme PRADHAN MANTRI KISAN SAMPADA YOJANA (PMKSY), it provides financial assistance as capita subsidy in the form of grants-in-aid to the individuals, farmers, Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), Entrepreneurs, Cooperatives, Societies, Self Help Groups (SHGs), Private Companies and Central/ State PSUs etc. for setting up of food processing industries/ units/ projects in the country. The schemes under PMKSY are demand driven and financial assistance is provided to the eligible applicants against the Expression of Interest issued by the MoFPI from time to time.
