

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *282
ANSWERED ON 21ST MARCH, 2023

STAKEHOLDERS OF FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR

†*282. **SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:**
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:

Will the Minister of *Food Processing Industries* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the efforts being made by the Government to bring all stakeholders of Food Processing Sector on a common platform to focus particularly on coarse grains; and
- (b) the manner in which the Government is encouraging the people across the country particularly in States of Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Gujarat to create awareness about consumption and export capacity of coarse grains, nutritional benefits and value addition through various schemes of Food Processing Sector?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SHRI PASHUPATI KUMAR PARAS)

(a) & (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE STARRED QUESTION NO.282 FOR ANSWER ON 21ST MARCH, 2023 REGARDING “STAKEHOLDERS OF FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR”

(a) & (b): The measures undertaken for strengthened processing/preservation infrastructure of Coarse Grains (Shree Anna or Millets), its value addition, popularization and increased usage through the schemes administered by Ministry of Food Processing Industries include following -

- (i) Production Linked Incentive has been approved for 8 large and 22 Small & Medium entities;
- (ii) Millet products have been approved in 19 districts as One District One Product (ODOP) and credit linked capital subsidy approved to 746 millet based micro food processing enterprises;
- (iii) Millet Fairs-cum-exhibitions in 30 districts of 20 States including Khunti in Jharkhand, Mandla & Bhind in Madhya Pradesh, Bhojpur & Darbhanga in Bihar and Dang & Tapi in Gujarat state;
- (iv) “International Conference on Millets for Achieving Nutritional and Economic Security” during 24th - 26th August, 2023 to share ideas and findings by academia, scientists, researchers, innovators and students etc;
- (v) Global Food Exhibition “World Food India 2023” during 3rd - 5th November, 2023 in New Delhi with Millets as one of its key focus areas. The event is intended to provide Indian producers/processors/ institutions a platform to collaborate and partner with global stakeholders.
