

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 751**  
ANSWERED ON 25.07.2023

**LOCAL LEVEL FOOD PROCESSING UNITS**

**751. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that many farmers lose out on potential profits on their produce as they sell major parts of the produce without any value addition because of a lack of processing facilities;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to address the same;
- (c) whether the Government plans to establish local level food processing units in Andhra Pradesh as the State has nearly 2 million hectares of area with different types of fruit crops and can significantly contribute to the rising demand of processed fruits and vegetable items in the export market; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

**(a) & (b):** In order to ensure value addition and processing of farm produce, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been incentivizing setting up/expansion of related infrastructure through its Central Sector Umbrella Scheme Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) and Centrally sponsored PM Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme across the country including Andhra Pradesh.

**(c) & (d):** Under PMKSY, MoFPI provides credit linked financial assistance (capital subsidy) in the form of grants-in-aid to entrepreneurs for establishment/ expansion of food processing industries. A total of 11 Food Processing units, including those based on fruits and vegetables, have been approved in Andhra Pradesh under Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities Scheme of PMKSY.

Ministry also provides financial, technical and business support for setting up/ upgradation of micro food processing enterprises under PMFME scheme. Under the scheme, a total of 3512 micro food processing units have been approved for assistance in Andhra Pradesh.

PLISFPI is, inter alia, intended to support creation of global food manufacturing champions and support Indian brands of food products in international market. The Scheme is being implemented over a six-year period from 2021-22 to 2026-27 with an outlay of Rs. 10,900 crores. So far, a total investment of Rs 1387.03 Cr has been committed in projects located in Andhra Pradesh under the scheme.

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