

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2602**  
ANSWER ON 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023

**PROCESSING OF COARSE CEREALS**

**2602. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:  
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of coarse cereals processed by the Food Processing Industries during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Union Government proposes to increase infrastructure for processing coarse cereals in the country particularly in the States of Odisha and Maharashtra; and
- (c) if so, the details in this regard and the time by which it is likely to be developed, State-wise particularly in States of Odisha and Maharashtra?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
(KM. SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)**

(a) : As per the report of a study titled “Study to Determine the Level of Food Processing in India”, 2021 commissioned by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI), Government of India (GOI), the estimated quantity processed for coarse cereals is as under:

Commodity	Quantity Processed (million MT)		
	2010-11	2015-16	2018-19
Coarse Cereals	7.51	9.49	10.92

(b) & (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) through implementation of the Central Sector Scheme, namely, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY), inter alia, helps in creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet across the country. The components of PMKSY, 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 and (vi) Operation Greens supports in storage and processing of all agri and allied produce including coarse cereals.

Under component schemes of PMKSY, MoFPI provides mostly credit linked financial assistance (capital subsidy) in the form of grants-in-aid to entrepreneurs for setting up of food processing/preservation infrastructure. The scheme aims at development of modern infrastructure including to encourage entrepreneurs to set up food processing units.

MoFPI supports setting up of infrastructures in food processing units by inviting applications online from potential investors/ entrepreneurs against Expression of Interest (EoI) issued by MoFPI from time to time depending on the availability of funds. The willing entrepreneurs may apply for setting up of food processing units.

MoFPI also implements a Centrally Sponsored Scheme- PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME) for providing technical, financial and business support for setting up/upgradation of 2 lakh Micro food processing enterprises. A total number of loans sanctioned till now for the States of Odisha and Maharashtra are 1043 and 10806 respectively.

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