GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2356

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HONEY PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN BHARATPUR

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

- (a) whether there is an immense possibility of setting up honey processing industries in Bharatpur district of Rajasthan which can generate thousands of employment opportunities;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto:
- (c) the scheme formulated by the Government to set up honey processing industries in Bharatpur district; and
- (d) the name of the industries to whom the Government has appealed/ invited to set up honey processing industries?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has not conducted any study/survey regarding potential of setting up of honey processing industries in Bharatpur District of Rajasthan.
- (c) & (d): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing a Scheme for Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) for creation/expansion of food processing industries including honey processing in the country. The scheme envisages grants-in-aid @ 35% of the eligible project cost in General Areas and 50% of the eligible project cost in North Eastern States including Sikkim and Difficult areas including Himalayan States (Himachal Pradesh, J&K & Uttarakhand), notified ITDP areas and Islands subject to a maximum of Rs.5.00 crore.

The proposals under the Scheme are invited online through Expression of Interest (EOI) issued by the Ministry from time to time. Presently, MoFPI has issued Expression of Interest (EOI) for inviting online proposals from interested entrepreneurs / investors for setting up of food processing units in the country. The closing date of submission of online proposals is 31.12.2019. The interested entrepreneurs / investors from Bharatpur District of Rajasthan may submit their proposals as per the extant Scheme Guidelines.
