

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3908**  
ANSWERED ON 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020

CLOSURE OF BISCUIT FACTORIES

**3908. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has been notified of any closure of biscuit factories due to declining demand;
- (b) if so, the details of such factories closed including their number, State-wise along with the number of workers laid off and current status of the farmers;
- (c) whether the Government is taking any steps to redress the concerns of biscuit factories?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): No Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (Mo FPI) is implementing a Scheme for Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) for creation of processing and preservation capacities for agri-horti products (including biscuits) in the country. Under the scheme, grants-in-aid @ 35% of the eligible project cost is provided 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.

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