

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 218**  
ANSWERED ON 02<sup>ND</sup> February, 2021

**COLD STORAGE CHAIN SCHEME**

**218. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARASWATI:  
SHRI RANJEETSINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:  
SHRI BALAK NATH:**

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

- (a) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Government for providing cold storage chains in the country;
- (b) whether the Government is providing subsidy for setting up cold storage and if so, the details there of especially in Maharashtra and Rajasthan;
- (c) the details of the number of cold storages to be set up in Maharashtra and Rajasthan;
- (d) whether the Government has set any priority for food processing industries and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the present system of cold storages in Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Haryana and whether these are sufficient to meet the requirement; and
- (f) if not, the measures being taken to meet the shortage of cold storage?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): The Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (**DoAC&FW**) is providing assistance under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (**MIDH**) for development of Post Harvest Management (**PHM**) including establishment of cold storages. The components of PHM are demand/entrepreneur-driven from among entrepreneurs, private companies, cooperatives, farmers group etc. through commercial ventures for which assistance @35% of admissible project cost in general areas and 50% in hilly and scheduled area is available as credit linked back ended subsidy through respective State Horticulture Missions.

(c): The government does not setup cold storage of its own. The components of PHM including cold storages is demand/entrepreneur-driven for which financial assistance is provided based on the Annual Action Plan, requirement and priorities of respective State Horticulture Missions. 1153 projects have been sanctioned under MIDH from 2014-15 to 2020-21 (up to December 2020) including 30 for Maharashtra and 20 for Rajasthan.

(d): The scheme of MIDH provides assistance for setting up of Food Processing Units in North East and Himalayan States. The different component schemes under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojna (PMKSY) implemented by MoFPI are meant for supporting food processing sector only. MoFPI has also recently launched the scheme "Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro-Food Processing Enterprises.

(e) & (f): DoAC&FW has not conducted any survey for requirement of cold storage capacity in recent years. However as per available information, details of cold storage in Maharashtra, Rajasthan & Haryana during 1999-2000 to 2020-21 up to 31.12.2020 are as under:

State	Number of Cold Storage	Capacity in MT
Maharashtra	556	818742
Rajasthan	169	568406
Haryana	348	772025

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