GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2164

ANSWERED ON 15TH MARCH, 2022

FOOD PARKS FOR ASSAM

2164. SHRI M. BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

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

- (a) the list of proposed and sanctioned 'Food Parks' for Assam at present, district-wise and location-wise,
- (b) the number of them that have been completed along with the number of Food Parks under process and the time by which they will be functional;
- (c) whether the areas of Dhubri, Goalpara, South Salmara and Mankachar districts of Assam have been included for establishing food parks;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to include these districts for Food Park for the interests of people; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f) Ministry of Food Processing Industries has been implementing Mega Food Park Scheme (MFPS), a component scheme under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY), to create modern infrastructure for the food processing sector along the value chain from farm to market. Ministry does not set up Mega Food Parks on its own. The scheme is demand driven and proposals are invited through Expression of Interest. Under the scheme, Ministry had approved one Mega Food Park project at Nalbari District of Assam which has already been completed. The details of the Park are at **Annexure I**. This scheme has been discontinued by the Government with effect from 01.04.2021 with provision for committed liabilities and there is no proposal under process for approval of Mega Food Park in the state of Assam.

Ministry is also implementing the Scheme for Creation of Infrastructure for Agro Processing Clusters(similar to mini food park) which is a component scheme under PMKSY for development of modern infrastructure to encourage entrepreneurs to set up food processing units based on cluster approach. The scheme is demand driven and proposals are received through Expression of Interest(EOI) and interested entrepreneurs may participate in the EOIs invited by the Ministry. So far Ministry has approved 6 agro processing clusters in the state of Assam. The details are at **Annexure II**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2164 ANSWERED ON 15.03.2022 ON FOOD PARKS FOR ASSAM

Details of Mega Food Park in Assam

(INR in Cr.)

Sr. No.	SPV/ IA Name	Date of Approval	Project Cost	Amount of grant approved	Amount of grant released	Status
1.	North East Mega Food Park Ltd., Nalbari	30.03.2009	84.96	48.84	48.84	Completed

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Details of Agro Processing Clusters in Assam

(INR in Cr.)

	Name of the Project Execution Agency (PEA)		Date of approval	Project cost	Grant Approved	Total Grant released	Status
1	M/s Subh Karan Food Park	Kamrup (Rural)	03.10.2019	22.51	10.00	3.50	Under implementation
2	M/s Jai Shree Krishna Developers	Tinsukia	03.12.2019	19.11	8.73	2.75	Under implementation
3	M/s Surindera Agro Processing Cluster	Sonitpur	09.01.2020	20.54	9.15	3.15	Under implementation
4	M/s Sumitra Agrotech Food Park	Darrang	30.03.2021	19.44	7.59	0	Under implementation
5	M/s Salt Range Agri Solutions LLP	Morigaon	17.03.2021	23.07	9.89	0	Under implementation
6	M/s Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council	Karbi anglong	17.03.2021	22.96	7.13	0	Under implementation