

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 3120
ANSWERED ON 22ND MARCH, 2022

FOOD PARKS IN TAMIL NADU

3120. SHRI SHANMUGA SUNDARAM K.:

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

- (a) the amount of funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for setting up food parks in the State of Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) whether any steps have been taken by the Government for setting up food parks in Pollachi Constituency and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): 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. PMKSY is a central sector scheme and there is no state wise allocation of fund. 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 Tirunelveli District of Tamil Nadu. The status of the Park including Grant in Aid approved and released are at **Annexure I**.

This scheme has been discontinued by the Government with effect from 01.04.2021 with provision for committed liabilities for ongoing projects and there is no proposal under process for approval of Mega Food Park in the state of Tamil Nadu.

Ministry is also implementing the Scheme for Creation of Infrastructure for Agro Processing Clusters (APC) (similar to mini food park) which is also a component scheme under PMKSY for development of modern infrastructure to encourage entrepreneurs to set up food processing units based on cluster approach. Also, this scheme is demand driven and proposals are invited through Expression of Interest (EOI) and interested entrepreneurs may participate in the EOIs invited by the Ministry. So far Ministry has approved 11 APC in the state of Tamil Nadu. The details of these APCs including Grant in Aid approved and released are at **Annexure II**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3120 ANSWER ON 22ND MARCH, 2022 REGARDING “FOOD PARKS IN TAMIL NADU”.

Details of Mega Food Park in Tamil Nadu

(INR in Cr.)

Sr. No.	SPV/ IA Name	Date of Approval	Project Cost	Amount of grant approved	Amount of grant released	Status
1.	Tamil Nadu State Agricultural Marketing Board, Tirunelveli	23.06.2021	77.024	23.63	Nil	Under Implementation

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Details of Agro Processing Clusters in Tamil Nadu

(INR in Cr.)

S. No.	Name of the Project Execution Agency (PEA)	District	Date of approval	Project cost (In Cr.)	Grant Approved (in Cr.)	Total Grant released (in Cr.)
1	M/s JFK International	Coimbatore	01.08.2019	16.71	4.19	1.35
2	M/s P Duraisamy Maharaja Rice Mills Pvt Ltd	Tiruppur	03.10.2019	26.83	8.77	2.80
3	M/s Tiruvannamalai Market Committee	Tiruvannamalai	29.04.2020	25.51	5.75	0
4	M/s Salem Market Committee	Salem	29.04.2020	25.25	5.98	0
5	M/s Theni Market Committee	Theni	29.04.2020	26.31	5.99	0
6	M/s Dharmapuri Market Committee	Krishnagiri	29.04.2020	26.83	5.89	0
7	M/s Madurai Market Committee	Madurai	29.04.2020	32.07	5.79	0
8	M/s Dindigul Market Committee	Dindigul	29.04.2020	29.02	6.74	0
9	M/s Cuddalore Market Committee	Cuddalore	29.04.2020	25.00	5.98	0
10	M/s Delta Foods	Pudukkottai,	08.06.2020	24.31	7.47	0
11	M/s Vamsi RS Industrial Zone	Erode	17.11.2021	33.17	9.14	0