# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING AND INDUSTRIES

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1516

ANSWERED ON 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022

#### LACK OF PROCESSING OF AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS

#### 1516. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

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

- (a) whether the farmers of Jaore Sirohi are bearing losses due to crop failure and lack of processing of agriculture products and technical resources;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to provide in-situ processing packaging and exporting the product from the place of its origin;
- (c) whether the farmers are likely to get a world class facility of packaging, transportation, distribution printing at single place and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government propose to set up a Mega Agro Food Park at Agdawa in Chitalwana Panchayat Samiti of Jalore under the Pradhan Mantri Gatishakti Yojana; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MOFPI) does not set up food processing facilities on its own and rather encourages establishment of such facilities by extending financial support as grant-in-aid to the applicants whose proposals are received against Expression of Interest (EoI) issued from time to time and approved in terms of guidelines of various sub-schemes of PMKSY. PMKSY is a comprehensive package for creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm to gate to retail outlet.

Recently, applications under five sub-schemes of PMKSY have been invited through Expression of Interest (EoI) floated on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2022 and interested individuals/ entities can submit their proposals as per the guidelines of the various sub-schemes.

(d) & (e): Continuation of Mega Food Park (MFP) Scheme has not been approved by the Government for the 15th Finance Commission (FC) cycle.

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