

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1389
ANSWERED ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2025

FARMERS' INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT FROM FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR

1389. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH OLA:

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

- (a) whether any study has been conducted by the Government on the possibilities of increasing farmers income and employment from food processing sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the number of food parks in the country;
- (d) the details of the number of food parks approved/ started by the Government during the last five years and the current year, State-wise
- (e) the total number of people employed in the food processing sector in registered and unregistered units; and
- (f) the number of people likely to get employment from new food parks

ANSWER

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

(a): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has not conducted any study on the possibilities of increasing farmers' income and employment from food processing sector in the country.

(b): In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

(c): Under the Scheme for Mega Food Parks, 41 projects have been approved across the country. The Scheme for Mega Food Parks has been discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021 with provision for committed liability during 15th Finance Commission cycle.

(d): The list of the number of mega food parks approved/ started by MoFPI during the last five years and the current year, State-wise is provided at **Annexure**.

(e): As per the latest Annual Survey of Industries 2022-23, 22.96 lakh persons are employed in registered food processing units and as per the Annual Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises 2022-23, 46.57 lakh persons are employed in unregistered food processing units in the country.

(f): The Scheme for Mega Food Parks has been discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021 with provision for committed liability during 15th Finance Commission cycle.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1389 FOR ANSWER ON 13th FEBRUARY, 2025 ON “FARMERS INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT FROM FOOD PROCESSING SECTOR”

State-wise list of Mega food parks approved and completed/operational under Mega Food Parks schemes of Ministry of Food Processing industries.			
S. No	State/UT	Since 2019-20 till 31st January, 2025	
		Approved	Completed/operational
1	Andaman & Nicobar		
2	Andhra Pradesh		
3	Arunachal Pradesh		
4	Assam		
5	Bihar	1	0
6	Chandigarh		
7	Chhattisgarh		1
8	D&N Haveli and D&D		
9	Delhi		
10	Goa		
11	Gujarat		
12	Haryana		1
13	Himachal Pradesh		
14	Jammu & Kashmir		
15	Jharkhand		
16	Karnataka		
17	Kerala		2
18	Ladakh		
19	Lakshadweep		
20	Madhya Pradesh		
21	Maharashtra		
22	Manipur		
23	Meghalaya	1	0
24	Mizoram		1
25	Nagaland		
26	Odisha		
27	Puduchery		
28	Punjab		1
29	Rajasthan	1	0
30	Sikkim		
31	Tamil Nadu	1	0
32	Telangana		
33	Tripura		
34	Uttar Pradesh		
35	Uttarakhand		
36	West Bengal		
	Total	4	6
