

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1886
ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY, 2025

**SANCTIONED MEGA FOOD PARKS AND COLD CHAIN PROJECTS IN
RATLAM**

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

- (a) the number of Mega Food Parks and Cold Chain Projects sanctioned under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for farmers particularly for tribal farmers of Ratlam Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (b) whether the Government plans to preserve millet-grains through the said Mega Food Parks and Cold Storages for tribal farmers under the said Constituency;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the manner in which said scheme helps to reap better returns for farmers and minimize the wastage of agricultural produce?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing a Central Sector Umbrella scheme “Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY)”. Under PMKSY there are various component schemes including Integrated cold chain and value addition infrastructure scheme for cold chain projects and Mega Food Parks scheme (discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021). Integrated cold chain and value addition infrastructure scheme involves creation of integrated cold chain, preservation and value addition infrastructure facilities, without any break, from the farm gate to the consumer in order to reduce post-harvest losses. As on 30.06.2025, a total 395 number of projects and 41 number of projects have been sanctioned under the Cold chain scheme and Mega food Parks scheme, respectively. Details of the project approved in Ratlam Lok Sabha Constituency are at **Annexure-1**.

Under the PMKSY component Scheme for Creation/ Expansion of Food Processing and Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC) assistance is provided for creation of processing and preservation capacities and modernisation/ expansion of existing food processing units including millet based units, with a view to increasing the level of processing, value addition leading to reduction of wastage.

The above-mentioned schemes under PMKSY are demand driven in nature and the funds are not allocated/sanctioned/released state-wise under any of the component schemes of PMKSY. The applications are invited through Expression of Interest (EoI) from all over India including Ratlam Lok Sabha constituency and all eligible applicants including tribal farmers can apply.

(d) Creation of processing and preservation facilities leads to reduction in post-harvest losses. With Creation of Food Processing Infrastructure under the above schemes, the demand for Farm produce which is raw material for Food Processing industries increases leading to

better prices to farmers and increasing farm gate profitability. As on 30.06.2025, under various component schemes of PMKSY, 1601 no. of projects have been approved, out of which 1133 projects have been completed benefitting 3415102 number of farmers in the country including tribal farmers.

As per the Evaluation Study conducted and submitted to the Ministry by NABARD Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd. (NABCONS) in 2020 on “Impact of Units Implemented under Scheme for Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure assisted by Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI)”, it was highlighted that due to interventions of the Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure Scheme of Ministry of Food Processing Industries, while all sectors had shown some decrease in wastages, but Fruits & Vegetables, Dairy and Fisheries sector had shown significant reduction in wastages.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1886 FOR ANSWER ON 31.07.2025 REGARDING “SANCTIONED MEGA FOOD PARKS AND COLD CHAIN PROJECTS IN RATLAM”

Details of project approved in Ratlam Lok Sabha Constituency under PMKSY												
Sr. No.	Scheme	State	Project Name	Sector	District	Date of Approval	Project Cost	Approved Grant-in-aid (Rs. in Cr)	Released Grant-in-aid (Rs. in Cr)	Status	Employment	Farmer s Benefited
1	Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure Scheme (Cold Chain)	Madhya Pradesh	Shree Uttam Food Products (India) Pvt. Ltd.,	F&V	Jhabua	22-05-2015	32.25	8.5	7.50	Under Implementation	600	9552

