

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2165**  
ANSWERED 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026

**EFFORTS FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROMOTION INITIATIVES**

**2165. SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the need to promote food processing-based entrepreneurship and skills-oriented training in Amroha district of Uttar Pradesh with the objective of strengthening local enterprises and generating employment by encouraging entrepreneurship development and training programme for women's groups and youth in Amroha, Hasanpur, Dhanaura, Joya, Naugawan Sadat and Mandawar;
- (b) if so, the details of the efforts made for entrepreneurship promotion initiatives, training modules, credit linkage facilities and district-level outreach in the said district; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (c):** Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing a centrally sponsored "PM Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme" for providing financial, technical and business support for setting up of new/ upgradation of micro food processing enterprises in the country. The Scheme is aimed at promoting food processing-based entrepreneurship, skill development and employment generation, including for women's groups and youth, in all districts of Uttar Pradesh, including Amroha district.

The scheme provides support of credit-linked grant of 35% of the eligible project cost, seed capital of up to Rs. 40,000, capacity building for beneficiaries and branding & marketing for all the interested applicants as per the scheme guidelines and eligibility. The details of financial assistance eligible for micro food processing enterprises under the Scheme are at **Annexure**.

The Capacity Building component of the PMFME Scheme envisages Food Processing Entrepreneurship Development Program Training for all applicants viz individuals and Groups namely Self Help Groups (SHG) / Farmer Producer Organisations (FPO)/ Cooperatives for availing credit linked grant recommended by District Level Committee (DLC) and also training to Self Help Group (SHG) beneficiaries of Seed Capital engaged in micro food processing. 779 training modules on Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP), One District One Product (ODOP) and Food Processing Domain have been prepared which include 199 Presentations, 192 Videos, 190 Detailed Project Report (DPRs) and 198 Course Content/Handbooks.

For the Amroha district of Uttar Pradesh, loans for 142 micro food processing enterprises have been sanctioned under the Credit Linked Subsidy component of the scheme. 147 beneficiaries have been trained and the Scheme has facilitated generation of 426 direct and indirect employment opportunities in the district.

Ministry has taken various initiatives / measures to increase the scheme's uptake and to create awareness among the various stakeholders and public at large through National & State level awareness campaigns such as Newspaper advertisements, Radio Jingles, Exhibitions & Expos, Fairs, Buyer-Seller Meets and various social media platforms etc. since the inception of the scheme.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2165 FOR ANSWER ON 12.02.2026 REGARDING “EFFORTS FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROMOTION INITIATIVES”**

The details of financial assistance available under Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme are as under:

(i). *Support to Individual / Group Category Micro Enterprises:* Credit-linked capital subsidy @35% of the eligible project cost, maximum ceiling Rs.10 lakh per unit;

(ii). *Support to SHGs for seed capital:* Seed capital @ Rs. 40,000/- per member of SHG engaged in food processing for working capital and purchase of small tools subject to maximum of Rs. 4 lakh per SHG Federation.

(iii). *Support for Common Infrastructure:* Credit linked capital subsidy @35% subject to maximum of Rs. 3 crore to support FPOs, SHGs, Cooperatives and any Government agency for setting up of common infrastructure. The common infrastructure will also be available for other units and public to utilize on hiring basis for substantial part of the capacity.

(iv). *Branding and Marketing Support:* Grant upto 50% for Branding and Marketing to groups of FPOs/ SHGs/ Cooperatives or an SPV of micro food processing enterprises.

(v). *Capacity Building:* The scheme envisages training for Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP) modified to meet the requirement of food processing industry and product specific skilling.

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