

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4378
ANSWERED ON 19TH MARCH, 2026

FOOD PROCESSING PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU

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

- (a) the number of projects sanctioned and operationalised in Tamil Nadu under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY), PLI Scheme for Food Processing Industries and PMFME Scheme up to 2025-26;
- (b) the total amount of funds sanctioned, released and utilised under these schemes in Tamil Nadu, district-wise, particularly in Delta and agro-producing regions;
- (c) whether any proposals for establishment of food parks, cold chain infrastructure and value addition units in Tamil Nadu are pending for approval and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expedite financial assistance and subsidies to micro food processing enterprises to strengthen export-oriented clusters linked to Chennai markets?

ANSWER

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

(a): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has sanctioned 104 food processing projects, out of which 72 projects are operational under various component schemes of Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) in the State of Tamil Nadu, till 31.12.2025.

Under the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme, loans for 17,869 micro food processing enterprises have been sanctioned. out of which 16,149 loans have been disbursed in the State of Tamil Nadu, till 31.12.2025.

Food processing projects at 19 locations have been approved under various categories of Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) scheme in the State of Tamil Nadu till 31.12.2025 and all projects are operational.

(b): District/State/UT-wise allocation of funds are not made under PMKSY and PLISFPI.

Under the PMFME Scheme, Centre Share of Rs 532.41 Crore has been released to the State of Tamil Nadu for implementation of various components of the scheme as on 31st December 2025. The allocation of funds (Centre Share) to States / UTs depend on the progress of implementation of the scheme by them and utilization of already released funds. However, funds are not allocated district-wise to the States under PMFME Scheme.

(c): PMKSY and PMFME schemes are demand driven in nature and applications are invited online to fast track the processing of applications and approval of the projects, as per respective scheme guidelines.

The details of food processing projects approved by MoFPI under the said three scheme in the State of Tamil Nadu is at **Annexure**.

(d): Under the PMFME Scheme, MoFPI conducts regular review meetings with States/ UTs and lending banks to expedite financial assistance and subsidies to micro food processing enterprises including in the State of Tamil Nadu. The issues being faced by these micro food processing enterprises are also raised at the level of State Level Bankers Committee (SLBC) and Department of Financial Services (DFS) for appropriate resolution.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4378 FOR ANSWER ON 19TH MARCH, 2026 REGARDING “FOOD PROCESSING PROJECTS IN TAMIL NADU”

Food Processing Industries approved/completed in Tamil Nadu state under corresponding component schemes of PMKSY since inception

Sl. No.	Component Scheme	No. of projects Approved	No. of projects Completed	Grants –in–aid Approved (Rs. Crore)
1	Mega Food Parks	1	0	23.64
2	Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure	23	15	165.98
3	Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters Scheme	12	2	81.68
4	Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities Scheme	32	24	112.54
5	Scheme for Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages	9	8	19.80
6	Operation Greens	4	2	30.94
7	Food Safety and Quality Assurance - Food Testing Laboratories	23	21	51.84

Micro Food Processing Industry based proposals approved in Tamil Nadu state under PMFME

No of Micro Food Processing Industries approved with credit linked subsidy: 17869

Number of Self Help Groups supported for Seed Capital: 31174

Food Processing Projects based proposals approved in Tamil Nadu state under PLISFPI

No of Food Processing Projects approved with committed investment of Rs 389.53 crore: 19
