

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4442**  
ANSWERED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026

**PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER PMKSY IN BUNDELKHAND**

**4442. SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:**

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

- (a) the details of projects approved and completed under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) since January 2025 including total investment leveraged, private participation attracted and the number of farmers benefited with specific reference to irrigation, agro-processing and allied infrastructure in the Bundelkhand region particularly Jhansi and Lalitpur;
- (b) the details of approval of the Union Government for the additional outlay of Rs. 1,920 crore including timelines, locations and objectives of establishing fifty Multi Product Food Irradiation Units and hundred Food Testing Laboratories and whether any such facilities are proposed for Jhansi and Lalitpur, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the cumulative achievements of PMKSY till date in terms of storage, processing capacity, value addition and employment generation; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes special prioritisation for water-stressed and drought-prone districts of Bundelkhand under future PMKSY phases and if so, the details thereof for inclusive regional agricultural development?

**ANSWER**

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

**(a):** There is no scheme in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries titled "Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) scheme".

However, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing Central Sector umbrella Scheme – Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) to create modern infrastructure for food processing, preservation and value addition.

The component schemes under PMKSY are as follows:

- (i) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters (APC Scheme)
- (ii) Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC Scheme)
- (iii) Operation Green (OG Scheme)
- (iv) Integrated Cold Chain & Value Addition Infrastructure (ICC & VAI Scheme)
- (v) Food Safety & Quality Assurance Infrastructure (FTL) scheme
- (vi) Research & Development (R&D Scheme)
- (vii) Mega Food Park Scheme (discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021)

(viii) Creation of Backward & Forward Linkages (CBFL Scheme) – discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021.

PMKSY is a demand-driven scheme, and projects are approved based on proposals received from eligible entities such as State Governments, private entrepreneurs, cooperatives and FPOs. No separate region-wise allocation is made under the scheme. Under PMKSY, since January, 2025, no proposal has been approved in Bundelkhand region particularly Jhansi and Lalitpur district.

**(b):** The Cabinet has approved an additional outlay of ₹1,000 crore under PMKSY, with ₹500 crore each for setting up 50 Multi-Product Food Irradiation Units and 100 Food Testing Laboratories (FTLs) under its component schemes. In addition, ₹920 crore has been approved as a 20% increase over the original outlay of ₹4,600 crore for PMKSY. All these schemes are demand driven in nature.

Against the additional outlay of ₹1,000 crore, MoFPI floated an Expression of Interest (EoIs) on 07.08.2024 & 27.05.2025 for setting up 50 Food Irradiation Units, which remained open until 21.11.2024 & 28.02.2026, respectively. So far, 14 Food Irradiation projects have been approved under this EoI, however, none of these are located in Jhansi and Lalitpur. Further, an EoI for setting up of 100 Food Testing Laboratories was floated on 21.11.2025 and was open until 27.02.2026. FTL Project proposals received under above EoI are under examination/evaluation for approval or otherwise. As on date, no Food Testing Laboratory project against the additional outlay has been approved in Jhansi and Lalitpur district.

**(c):** The cumulative achievements under PMKSY as on 31.01.2026 are as under:

- (i) 1,607 projects have been approved under various component schemes.
- (ii) 1195 projects have been completed and operationalized;
- (iii) Processing and preservation capacity of about 276.93 lakh metric tonnes per annum have been created.
- (iv) 4.66 lakh employment opportunities both direct and indirect have been generated.
- (v) 35.72 lakh farmers have been benefited through improved market linkages, value addition and reduction in post-harvest losses.

**(d):** The Government recognizes the developmental needs of water-stressed and drought-prone regions such as the Bundelkhand region. PMKSY is a demand-driven scheme, and projects are approved on the basis of proposals received from eligible entities. Proposals from districts such as Jhansi and Lalitpur are eligible for consideration under the scheme as per guidelines.

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