

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.238*
ANSWERED ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2015

MEGA FOOD PARKS

238*. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:
SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of Mega Food Parks/Agro Parks/Food Processing Zones set up during each of the last three years and the current year in each State/UT;
- (b) whether the process of setting up of Mega Food Parks has gradually slowed down in these States/UTs during the above period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has involved National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development in setting up of Mega Food Parks in the country; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the other measures taken by the Government to reduce the wastage of agricultural produce in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SMT. HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL)

- (a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 238 FOR ANSWER ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2015 REGARDING MEGA FOOD PARKS.

- (a) A total 21 Mega Food Park projects have been accorded Final approval by the Government for setting up in the country during the last three years and the current year. Year-wise details of the projects accorded final approval in each State/UT is at **Annexure**.
- (b) & (c) No, Madam. Out of the total 29 projects accorded final approval, 21 projects have been accorded final approval during the above period. Further, out of total 5 functional Mega Food Parks, four Mega Food Parks have become functional during last three and half years. Three more Mega Food Parks at Khargone in Madhya Pradesh, Murshidabad in West Bengal and Ranchi in Jharkhand are also likely to become functional by the end of the current financial year. Government has taken a number of steps to further speed up the pace of the projects implementation. The progress of each of the projects is being monitored closely and regularly by the Ministry. Regular interactions with stakeholders are being held. The Mega Food Park scheme and operational guidelines of the scheme have been modified time to time to streamline the process of project implementation.
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. A Special Fund of Rs. 2000 crore has been setup by the Government in NABARD to make available affordable credit to designated food parks and the food processing units in such Parks.

Loan for food and Agro-processing up to an aggregate sanctioned limit of Rs. 100 crore per borrower and construction of storage facilities (warehouses, market yards, godowns and silos) including cold storage units/cold storage chains designed to store agriculture produce/products has been covered under Priority Sector Lending.

With the objective of reduction in wastage of agricultural produce, the Ministry is also implementing Scheme of Cold Chain, Value Addition and Preservation Infrastructure, Scheme of Modernization of Abattoirs and Scheme for Quality Assurance, Codex Standards, Research & Development and Other Promotional Activities. Scheme of National Mission on Food Processing was also launched by the Government of India during 12th Plan for implementation through State /U.T Governments. This Scheme has now been delinked from Central Government support since April, 2015 and State Governments may now decide to continue (or not) with the Mission out of the increased resources resulting from the recommendations of the 14th Finance Commission.

In addition, National Horticulture Mission (NHM), National Horticulture Board (NHB), and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) under Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) under Ministry of Commerce and Industries are also providing assistance for setting up food processing and preservation infrastructure.

Foreign Direct Investment has been permitted in food processing upto 100% through automatic route. The Government has also given various fiscal incentives for setting up food processing infrastructure.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 238* FOR ANSWER ON 15.12.2015 REGARDING MEGA FOOD PARKS.

Year-wise details of Mega Food Park projects accorded Final approval in each State/UT during last three years and the current year (till 30.11.2015)

S. No.	Project Name	State	Date of Final Approval
F.Y. 2012-13			
1	Indus Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Khargone	Madhya Pradesh	27.08.2012
2	Paithan Mega Food Park Ltd., Aurangabad	Maharashtra	08.03.2013
3	MITS Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Rayagada	Odisha	16.04.2012
F.Y. 2013-14			
4	Godavari Mega Aqua Park Pvt. Ltd., West Godavari	Andhra Pradesh	16.12.2013
5	RFK Greens Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Pulwama	Jammu And Kashmir	19.02.2014
6	Greentech Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Ajmer	Rajasthan	19.02.2014
7	Himalayan Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Udhm Singh Nagar	Uttarakhand	23.01.2014
F.Y. 2014-15			
8	Pristine Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Khagaria	Bihar	06.08.2014
9	Indus Best Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Raipur	Chhattisgarh	04.06.2014
10	Gujarat Agro Infrastructure Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Surat	Gujarat	22.05.2014
11	Cremica Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Una	Himachal Pradesh	06.08.2014
12	Satara Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Satara	Maharashtra	06.08.2014
F.Y. 2015-16			
13	JVL Mega food Park Pvt. Ltd., Rohtas	Bihar	10.08.2015
14	Haryana State Industrial & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited, Sonipat	Haryana	06.11.2015
15	Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation Limited (KSIDC), Alappuzha	Kerala	27.11.2015
16	Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA), Palakkad	Kerala	27.11.2015
17	Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO), Khurda	Odisha	06.11.2015
18	Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Ltd., Ludhiana	Punjab	27.11.2015
19	The Sukjhith Starch & Chemical Limited, Kapurthala	Punjab	06.11.2015
20	Zoram Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd.	Mizoram	10.06.2015
21	Smart Agro Industries Corporation Pvt. Ltd., Nizamabad	Telangana	10.06.2015