

mode. However, till date no proposal to set up the Cold chain project under the PPP mode has been received.

Mega Food Parks

3042. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the ten Mega Food Parks proposed to be set up during the Eleventh Five Year Plan are fully functional;

(b) if not, the major challenges being faced in the implementation of the projects;

(c) the status of implementation of other food park projects in the North East region; and

(d) the details of representation of the industry in the region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI CHARAN DAS MAHANT): (a) Government approved thirty Mega Food Park projects to be implemented during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. Out of these, final approval has been issued to 16 Mega Food Parks which have complied with conditions for such approval as per the scheme guidelines. However, final approval of two Mega Food Parks has been cancelled due to various reasons.

(b) The main challenges being faced by the entrepreneurs in implementation of the Mega Food Park projects relate to acquiring a minimum of 50 acres of contiguous land, obtaining statutory clearances from various agencies, permission of the State Government for Conversion of Land Use (CLU) and Sub-leasing of plots/sheds to food processing units and availing loan from the banks etc.

(c) and (d) Status of implementation of Mega Food Park Projects in the North East Region (as on 30.01.2014) is given in Statement (*See* below). Ministry of Food Processing Industries is making all out efforts to speed up the process of implementation so as to facilitate the participation of the industry in these Mega Food Parks. There are 1294 food processing units registered in the North-Eastern States as per Annual survey of Industries 2010-11.

Statement*Status of implementation of Mega Food Park Projects in the North East Region*

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name	State	Project cost	Date of In-principle approval	Date of Final approval	Amount of grant approval	Amount of grant released	Actual expenditure
1.	North East Mega Food Park Ltd., Assam	Assam	75.98	16.12.2008	27.03.2009	50	30	35.38
2.	M/s Sikaria Mega Food Park Pvt. Ltd., Agartala, Tripura	Tripura	87.45	29.04.2011	30.11.2011	50	20.79	28.5
3.	Mizoram Mega Food Park	Mizoram	50	19.12.2013	"In-principle" approval has been accorded.			
4.	M/s Kanchenjunga Mega Food Park Ltd., South Sikkim, Sikkim	Sikkim	80.37	21.09.2012	"In-principle" approval has been accorded.			