

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
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MEGA FOOD PARK IN ANDHRA PRADESH

2817. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

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

- (a) whether it is fact that a Mega Food Park was proposed in 2015 with Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV);
- (b) the constraints faced by the Ministry in completing this project;
- (c) the proposed capacity of the above park once it becomes operational and details of direct and indirect employment opportunities that are likely to be created; and
- (d) how the Ministry helps in export of food processing item from Mega Food Parks?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

- (a): Yes Sir. A Mega Food Park proposed by Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation(APIIC), as an Implementing Agency, was accorded final approval by Ministry of Food Processing Industries on 31.12.2015, which is under implementation. As per Mega Food Park Scheme guidelines, State Government/State Government entities are not required to form a separate SPV.
- (b): As per Mega Food Park Scheme Guidelines, Implementing Agency is required to complete the project within 30 months from the date of final approval. Implementing Agency has incurred expenditure of Rs. 81.95 Cr out of total project cost of Rs. 112.94 Cr by January,2021. The constraints faced by the Implementing Agency in implementing the project are change in the location of land of project after final approval, revision in Detailed Project Report(DPR), repeated tendering to get appropriate response of bidders for project components etc.
- (c): The capacity of major common facilities proposed to be set up in the park includes Warehouse-4000MT, Cold Storage-3000 MT, Dry-Wet Packing unit 1MT/Hr, Ripening Chamber- 960 MT, Aseptic Pulping Line 6 MT/Hr and Tetrapack Line 6 MT/Hr. On being fully operational, direct and indirect employment of about 5000 persons are likely to be created.
- (d): The primary objective of Mega Food Park Scheme is to provide modern infrastructure facilities for food processing along the value chain from farm to market which gives favourable conditions for the export oriented units to set up its unit in the Mega Food Parks. Further, Ministry has directed promoters of Mega Food Park to set up State of the Art Food Testing Laboratory so that food processing units including export oriented units avail the facilities to maintain the quality standard of their products.
