GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 742 ANSWERED ON- 03.12.2021

FPI SCHEME FOR FARMERS

742. SMT. KANTA KARDAM:

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

- (a) whether Government has formulated any FPI scheme for farmers in rural areas to process their produce, to increase the prices of their produce and to increase their income especially in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details of such scheme and the number of farmers benefited from it so far; and
- (c) whether Government would consider to prepare any such action plan in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing industries (MoFPI) has been implementing Central Sector Umbrella Scheme- Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) since 2016-17 for overall growth and development of food processing sector, including processing of agroproducts and thus increasing the income of the farmers across the country including in the state of Uttar Pradesh. The component schemes of PMKSY are - (i) Mega Food Park; (ii) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure; (iii) Creation /Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities; (iv) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters; (v) Creation of Backward & Forward linkages; (vi) Food Safety and Quality Assurance Infrastructure; (vii) Human Resource and Institutions; (viii) Operation Greens.

The evaluation study conducted for the relevant component schemes of PMKSY has concluded substantial benefit to the farmers from assisted projects. The evaluation study of Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure Scheme under PMKSY, conducted by M/s NABARD Consultancy Limited (NABCONS) in Year 2020, has estimated that captive projects under the scheme have resulted in increase in farm-gate prices by 12.38 % and each project is estimated to benefit more than 9500 farmers. The estimated no of farmers benefitted, since the inception of relevant component schemes, is placed at **Annexure**.

Also, as part of the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Initiative, MoFPI is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme-PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME) for providing financial, technical and business support for upgradation/setting up of 2 lakh micro food processing enterprises across the country during five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25 with an outlay of Rs.10,000 crore.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.742 FOR ANSWER ON 03RD DECEMBER, 2021 REGARDING FPI SCHEME FOR FARMERS.

Estimate of Farmers benefited from completed projects of Component Schemes of PMKSY

Component Scheme	Estimated No of Farmers benefited from projects completed since inception of the scheme
Mega Food Park	58779
Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure	2368816
Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters	19650
Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities	8173
Creation of Backward & Forward linkages	357282