

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
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WASTAGE DUE TO WANT OF PROCESSING FACILITIES

426. SHRI NEERAJ DANGI:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware of the wastage of huge quantity of food grains, fruits and vegetables due to lack of adequate processing facilities in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme rolled out for food processing along with the progress made therein; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated under such scheme?

ANSWER

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

(a): As per the study “Assessment of Quantitative Harvest and Post- Harvest Losses of Major Crops and Commodities in India” carried out by Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology (CIPHET), Ludhiana, submitted in 2015 for the crop year 2012-13, the estimated cumulative percentage of harvest and post-harvest losses of major agricultural produces were as follows:

Agricultural Produces	Cumulative Wastage (%)
Cereals	4.65-5.99
Pulses	6.36-8.41
Fruits & Vegetables	4.58-15.88

Source: ICAR-CIPHET study 2015

(b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) is implementing a central sector scheme - Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) since May 2017 with the objective of overall growth and development of food processing sector including augmenting the preservation and processing capacity, reducing harvest and post-harvest losses and creating off-farm employment. PMKSY cover various schemes for creation of post-harvest and processing infrastructure namely; (i) Mega Food Park (MFP), (ii) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure (CC), (iii) Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC), (iv) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters (APC), (v) Creation of Backward & Forward Linkages (CBFL), and (vi) Operation Green (added during 2018-19). Total potential for preservation and processing capacity generated through these scheme components is 157.755 Lakh Metric Tonnes.

(c): The details of fund allocated under the above components of PMKSY are as under:

(Figures in Rs. Crore)

Scheme	2017-18		2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22	
	BE	RE	BE	RE	BE	RE	BE	RE	BE	RE
Backward & Forward Linkages	20.00	0.00	20.00	18.80	40.00	50.46	100.00	56.60	51.70	40.79
CEFPPC	95.00	21.18	395.00	90.00	160.00	202.52	190.00	219.30	162.00	242.50
Agro processing Clusters	35.00	0.00	20.00	30.00	48.75	50.14	65.00	56.69	37.50	53.60
Operation Green	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	30.07	127.50	38.20	73.40	74.50
Mega Food Park	300.00	298.56	390.00	182.86	200.00	140.00	100.00	61.85	57.60	54.37
Integrated Cold Chain	180.00	198.68	400.00	271.59	290.00	326.16	349.71	252.58	227.60	263.00

B.E.: Budget Estimates; R.E.: Revised Estimates.
