

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
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FPU's FUNCTIONING IN MAHARASHTRA

2026. SHRI DHANANJAY BHIMRAO MAHADIK:

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

- (a) the details of existing Food Processing Units (FPU's) functioning in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) whether Government proposes to set up more FPU's in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has prepared any long term scheme for the processing of agro-products in the rural areas of Maharashtra;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by Government to boost the growth of food processing sector in the country?

ANSWER

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

- (a) As per the latest report of Annual Survey of Industries covering data for the year 2019-20, total number of registered food processing units in Maharashtra were 2728.
- (b) The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) through implementation of the Central Sector scheme, namely, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) helps in creation of modern post-harvest infrastructure across the country, including the State of Maharashtra. No state-wise target to set up food processing units is fixed under the component schemes of PMKSY. However, the Ministry has approved 193 projects in the state of Maharashtra under various component schemes of PMKSY
- (c) to (e) The Ministry promotes the overall development of food processing sector in the country with the implementation of various schemes. Under component schemes of PMKSY, MoFPI provides credit linked financial assistance for setting up food processing/ preservation industries, food testing labs etc.

The Ministry is also implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme- PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME) for providing technical, financial and business support for setting up/upgradation of 2 lakh Micro food processing enterprises. Out of this, a total of 22,234 units have been allocated to Maharashtra. The scheme is implemented on One District One Product (ODOP) approach through credit linked subsidy for the period 2020-21 to 2024-25.

Apart from PMKSY and PMFME schemes, the Ministry also implements a Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for the period 2021-22 to 2026-27. The scheme is meant for incentivising creation of global food champions and improving the visibility of Indian food brands abroad. Another component of the scheme involves support to organic/ innovative products produced by the SMEs. The scheme also provides support for branding and marketing abroad. For millet based products, one more component was included during the year 2022-23.
