GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1548

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PROMOTION OF ON-FARM AND OFF-FARM INVESTMENT

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

- (a) measures undertaken by the Ministry to promote on-farm and off-farm investments in preservation and processing infrastructure during the last five years; and
- (b) details of capacity building initiatives or support provided to farmers to reduce post- harvest losses?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) incentivizes investment in processing and preservation infrastructure of the country through its Central Sector Umbrella Scheme Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) and Centrally sponsored PM Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme and thus helping in reduction of post-harvest losses in the country.

Under component schemes of PMKSY, MoFPI provides mostly credit linked financial assistance (capital subsidy) to entrepreneurs with total outlay of Rs 4600 Cr for 15th Finance Commission Cycle.

Ministry also provides financial, technical and business support for setting up/upgradation of micro food processing enterprises under PMFME scheme. The scheme is operational for a period of five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25 with total outlay of Rs 10,000 Crore. Under the Capacity Building component of the Scheme, MoFPI provides assistance for training of Trainers, District Resource Persons, Entrepreneurs and various other groups.

PLISFPI is, inter alia, intended to support creation of global food manufacturing champions and support Indian brands of food products in international market. The Scheme is being implemented over a six-year period from 2021-22 to 2026-27 with an outlay of Rs. 10,900 crores.
