

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 2621
ANSWERED ON 19TH DECEMBER, 2023

FOOD PARKS

2621. DR. NISHIKANT DUBEY:

Will the Minister of Food Processing Industries be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Food Parks established by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of the new Food Parks established in Jharkhand, district-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up more Food Parks in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): MoFPI has been providing financial assistance in the form of Grant in Aid, to establish Food Parks (both Private & Public) under Mega Food Park Scheme (MFP), a sub scheme of PMKSY, since 2008 to 2021 in various states across the nation. The scheme has been discontinued w.e.f., 01.04.2021 by Govt. with provision for committed liabilities only. During the period from 2008 to 2021, 41 MFPs have been established throughout the Country. This scheme was demand driven and proposals were received through Expression of Interest (EOI) invited by the Ministry from time to time.

On similar pattern, presently, MoFPI is implementing “The Scheme for Creation of Infrastructure for Agro Processing Clusters” (mini Food Park) which is also a component scheme under PMKSY for development of modern infrastructure to encourage entrepreneurs to set up food processing units based on cluster approach.

During the last three years and the current year (i.e, from 2020-21 to 2023-24):

- (i) Under Mega Food Park Scheme, 4 Mega Food Park (MFP) projects, which were already given in-principle approval during FY 2020-2021, were accorded final approval by this Ministry and 6 MFP projects, which were approved by the Ministry earlier, have been operationalized.
- (ii) Under Agro Processing Cluster (APC), 43 projects have been approved and 15 have been operationalized.

The details of the projects under MFP and APC schemes, are at **ANNEXURE**.

However, no eligible proposals have been received from the state of Jharkhand either under Mega Food Park Scheme or Creation of Infrastructure for Agro Processing Clusters.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2621 FOR ANSWER ON 19TH DECEMBER, 2023 REGARDING FOOD PARKS.

MEGA FOOD PARK (MFP)			
S. No.	Financial year	No. of projects approved	No. of projects operationalized
1.	2020-21	0	4
2.	2021-22	2	1
3.	2022-23	2	0
4.	2023-24	0	1
Total		4	6
AGRO PROCESSING CLUSTER (APC)			
S. No.	Financial year	No. of projects approved	No. of projects operationalized
1.	2020-21	18	3
2.	2021-22	2	7
3.	2022-23	17	2
4.	2023-24	6	3
Total		43	15