

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1527
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SETTING UP OF FPI

1527. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up food processing industries/clusters in various States/areas including Madurai in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the plans to set up such industries in rural areas of the country; and
- (c) the incentives being provided by the Government for setting up of food processing industries by the private players?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) does not set up any food processing industries on its own anywhere in the country. MoFPI provides financial assistance as capital subsidy in the form of grants-in-aid under various component schemes of Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY). The PMKSY has seven component schemes viz; (i) Mega Food Parks, (ii) Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure, (iii) Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters, (iv) Creation of Backward and Forward Linkages, (v) Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities, (vi) Food Safety and Quality Assurance Infrastructure and (vii) Human Resources and Institutions. The rate of subsidy ranges from 35% to 75% subject to specified limit depending on the type of scheme and location of projects. Individuals, farmers, entrepreneurs, Central and State PSUs, Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)/Cooperatives/SHGs etc. are eligible for financial assistance. Financial assistance to the eligible applicants is provided against the Expression of Interests (EoI) invited by the MoFPI from time to time. PMKSY is implemented in all areas and States of India including in the State of Tamil Nadu.

A new Central Sector Scheme “Operation Greens” for exclusive integrated development of Tomato, Onion and Potato (TOP) crops value chain, with an outlay of Rs.500 crore to, inter alia, promote Farmers Producers Organizations (FPO), agri-logistics, processing facilities and professional management of FPOs has been launched in selected States on pilot basis. However, this scheme is not implemented in the State of Tamil Nadu.
