

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5535
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH APRIL, 2022**

WASTAGE OF FOODGRAINS IN BIHAR

5535. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

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

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)**

(a): No Sir.

(b) & (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been implementing Central Sector Umbrella Scheme- Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), centrally sponsored PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PMFME) and Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) for overall growth and development of food processing sector across the country.

PMKSY is not any region or state specific but demand driven and financial assistance is provided to the eligible applicants selected on the basis of Expression of Interest (Eoi) issued from time to time. Under component schemes of PMKSY, MoFPI provides mostly credit linked financial assistance (capital subsidy) in the form of grants-in-aid to entrepreneurs for setting up of food processing / preservation industries. The details of the projects approved in Bihar State under various component of PMKSY *vis-a-vis* funds approved/ released are as under:

| Sl. No | Project | No. of projects Approved/ Completed | Total Project Cost (Crore) | Grants in aid Approved (Crore) | Grants-in-aid Released (Crore) |
|--------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | Mega Food Park | 2/0 | 120.13 | 41.9 | 34.81 |
| 2 | Cold Chain | 7/4 | 177.36 | 55.76 | 34.14 |
| 3 | Agro Processing Clusters | 1/0 | 30.434 | 7.908 | 0.00 |
| 4 | Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities | 1/1 | 23.21 | 5.00 | 4.56 |

(d): Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation brings out data for manufacturing sector including food processing sector through the Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) and for unincorporated/unregistered enterprises through National Sample Survey (NSS). As per latest ASI 2018-19, in Bihar, 884 number of units are in registered sector and out of which 833 number of units were operational.
