

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1410
ANSWERED ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2025

LEADING PACKAGED FOOD COMPANIES

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

- (a) whether Government has made efforts to engage with leading packaged food companies to address their concerns surrounding ease of doing business, GST, imports and other trade-related matters and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the number of Companies participated in the discussions; and
- (c) the details of the measures undertaken by Government to boost food processing industry and increase the growth of exports, income of farmers and employment opportunities?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been actively engaging with stakeholders across the food and allied sectors, including large, medium and small enterprises in the packaged food segment to identify and address challenges hindering the sector's growth. These deliberations aim to unlock the sector's full potential and enhance the ease of doing business. Stakeholder consultation meetings were held on 6th and 7th November, 2024 with industry representatives and associations. The list of participants in the said stakeholder consultations is attached at **Annexure**.

(c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) through implementation of various initiatives and schemes viz. Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), Prime Minister Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) and Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industries (PLISFPI) aims for the overall development of food processing sector. Under various component of the aforementioned schemes, the MoFPI provides financial assistance for creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet. The infrastructure created and assistance provided aims at providing better returns to farmers, creation of employment opportunities, reducing wastage, increasing the processing level and enhancing the export of the processed foods.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA
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The list of industry associations who attended the Stakeholder consultation meetings:

1. Confederation of Indian Industries
2. Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry of India
3. All India Food Processors Association
4. Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
5. PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry
6. International Spirits and Wine Association of India
7. Indian Dairy Association
8. Plant Based Foods Industry Association
