

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. †*407
ANSWERED ON 21ST AUGUST, 2025

ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCESSING UNIT FOR KINNOW PRODUCE

†*407. SHRI KULDEEP INDORA:

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

- (a) whether the producers of Kinnow in Sri Ganganagar Lok Sabha Constituency send their produce outside the State as they do not get a fair price for the same and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up any processing unit or to launch any incentive scheme for Kinnow fruit;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, whether the Government would consider a proposal to establish such a processing unit in Sri Ganganagar in future?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
(SHRI CHIRAG PASWAN)**

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. †*407 FOR ANSWER ON 21ST AUGUST, 2025 REGARDING “ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCESSING UNIT FOR KINNOW PRODUCE”

(a) to (d): Kinnow has been identified as One District One Product (ODOP) in Sri Ganganagar district of Rajasthan, under the Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) scheme, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme implemented by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI). MoFPI has approved 34 proposals in Sri Ganganagar District of Rajasthan till 30.06.2025, under the PMFME Scheme.

Further, under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), a Central Sector Scheme of MoFPI, the Ministry supports setting up / expansion of food processing industries and modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet including storage, transportation and value addition and thus helping in providing better returns to farmers, reducing wastage of agricultural produce, reduction in post-harvest losses, enhancing productivity and increasing the processing level.

These schemes are not region specific but demand driven and are implemented across the country including Sri Ganganagar Lok Sabha Constituency of Rajasthan. MoFPI does not set up food processing units on its own. However, it provides financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to eligible entrepreneurs for establishing related infrastructure including Kinnow processing units, through its schemes as per related scheme guidelines.
