

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5416
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03RD APRIL, 2025

FUNDS TO DARJEELING-KALIMPONG UNDER PMKSY

5416. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

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

- (a) the details of key component of Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana including initiatives for infrastructure development and value addition in the agricultural sector;
- (b) the total financial outlay and assistance provided to the States under the said scheme since its inception;
- (c) the details of assistance provided to the districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur under the scheme since its inception, year-wise;
- (d) the impact of the scheme on improving farmers' income and reducing agricultural wastage across the country till January 2025; and
- (e) the measures being taken by the Government to promote private sector participation and expand the scheme's coverage in rural areas?

ANSWER

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

(a): The component schemes under PMKSY are as under:

- i. Infrastructure for Agro-Processing Clusters (APC Scheme)
- ii. Creation/Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC Scheme)
- iii. Operation Greens (OG Scheme)
- iv. Integrated Cold Chain & Value Addition Infrastructure (ICC & VAI Scheme)
- v. Food Safety & Quality Assurance Infrastructure Scheme
- vi. Research & Development (R&D Scheme) Human Resource and Institutions -Research & Development
- vii. Creation of Backward & Forward Linkages (CBFL Scheme) – discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021
- viii. Mega Food Parks (MFP Scheme) – discontinued w.e.f. 01.04.2021

(b) and (c): Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY) is demand driven in nature and applications are invited through Expression of Interest (EoI) from all over India including Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur. The funds are not allocated/sanctioned/released State-wise under any of the component schemes of PMKSY. The proposals received are scrutinized for their eligibility and evaluated based on the criteria fixed as per the extant scheme guidelines. Merit based approvals are given to the eligible proposals based on availability of funds. State-wise financial assistance approved under PMKSY since inception is at **Annexure-I**. Details of approved projects in Darjeeling district are at **Annexure-II**. No projects have been approved in the district of Kalimpong and North Dinajpur as on date.

(d): With Creation of Food Processing Infrastructure, the demand for Farm produce which is raw material for Food Processing industries increases leading to better prices to farmers and increasing farm gate profitability. Under component schemes of PMKSY till January 2025 a total of 1611 projects have been approved out of which 1097 are operational, benefitting 3331736 farmers.

Creation of post-harvest infrastructure and processing facilities leads to reduction in post-harvest losses. The component schemes under PMKSY provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to entrepreneurs for setting up of food processing/preservation infrastructure which, inter-alia, includes cold storages and refrigerated vehicles to minimize post-harvest losses.

As per the Evaluation Study conducted and submitted to the Ministry by NABARD Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd. (NABCONS) in 2020 on “Impact of Units Implemented under Scheme for Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure assisted by Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI)”, it was highlighted that due to interventions of the Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure Scheme of Ministry of Food Processing Industries, while all sectors had shown some decrease in wastages, but Fruits & Vegetables, Dairy and Fisheries sector had shown significant reduction in wastages.

(e): Under the PMKSY scheme, project proposals are invited from time to time from across the country including rural areas by floating Expression of Interests (EoIs) on the Ministry's website. Wide publicity is given to the component schemes under PMKSY by circulation through Press Information Bureau (PIB) and publishing in leading national and regional newspapers. Private sector participants including small farmers as well as entity/ organization such as FPOs/FPCs/NGOs/PSUs/Firms/Companies, etc. are eligible to avail benefits under the scheme.

Under the scheme of Promotional Activities of MoFPI, Ministry has provided financial assistance to various eligible organizations for organizing 60 events such as seminar, workshop, conference, exhibitions etc. across the country during the year 2024 to create awareness among private sector stakeholders on various schemes of the Ministry.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) & (c) OF UNSTARRED LOK SABHA QUESTION NO. 5416 FOR ANSWER ON 03.04.2025 REGARDING “FUNDS TO DARJEELING-KALIMPONG UNDER PMKSY”

State-wise financial assistance provided under PMKSY as on 28.02.2025			
S.No	State	Approved GIA (Rs Crore)	Released GIA (Rs Crore)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	3.17	3.04
2	Andhra Pradesh	763.99	452.55
3	Arunachal Pradesh	82.51	25.99
4	Assam	445.34	251.54
5	Bihar	170.60	96.87
6	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00
7	Chhattisgarh	79.47	61.42
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	3.64	3.47
9	Delhi	10.90	10.49
10	Goa	7.71	7.56
11	Gujarat	658.52	528.90
12	Haryana	411.16	283.04
13	Himachal Pradesh	308.47	245.66
14	Jammu & Kashmir	194.32	148.26
15	Jharkhand	0.94	0.77
16	Karnataka	399.69	290.87
17	Kerala	303.87	210.23
18	Ladakh	0.00	0.00
19	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	355.66	255.92
21	Maharashtra	1312.19	903.79
22	Manipur	59.19	22.90
23	Meghalaya	71.92	12.57
24	Mizoram	66.32	59.17
25	Nagaland	78.90	51.18
26	Orissa	206.85	146.43
27	Puduchery	0.81	0.70
28	Punjab	427.07	355.82
29	Rajasthan	325.37	183.15
30	Sikkim	3.64	3.64
31	Tamil Nadu	497.69	313.30
32	Telangana	404.44	228.20
33	Tripura	64.63	60.90
34	Uttar Pradesh	476.24	351.36
35	Uttarakhand	476.05	438.95
36	West Bengal	249.90	190.11
	Total	8921.17	6198.76

ANNEXURE-II

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Details of projects in Darjeeling District under PMKSY										
Sr. No .	Scheme Name	State	Project Name	Date of Approval	Project Cost (in Cr.)	Appr oved Grant -in- aid (Rs. in Cr)	Relea sed Grant -in- aid (Rs. in Cr)	Status	Empl oyment	Far mer s Ben efite d
1	Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities Scheme (CEFPPC)	West Bengal	M/s Mahana nda Food Pvt. Ltd	07.12.2018	22.94	4.94	4.77	Operati onal	575	51
2	Creation / Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities Scheme (CEFPPC)	West Bengal	M/s Aarson Lozenge s Factory	29.05.2019	4.75	1.31	1.23	Operati onal	150	51
