



Government Boosts Millet Processing: ₹793 Crore Approved Under PLI Scheme, 4,612 Micro Units Supported Nationwide

MoFPI Strengthens Millet Value Chain Through PMFME, PMKSY and PLI Schemes; Millet Product Sales Rise to ₹814 Crore Millet-Based Products

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In order to promote and ensure overall development of Food Processing Industries, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has been incentivizing setting up/ expansion of related infrastructure, including Millet processing units through its two Central Sector Scheme viz. Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI) and a Centrally sponsored PM Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme across the country.

One component of PLISFPI scheme focuses on Millet-Based Products (MBP), with an outlay of Rs. 800 crores. The objectives of the PLI Scheme for Millet-Based Products (PLISMBP) are to increase the use of millets in food products and promote their value addition by incentivizing the manufacturing and sale of selected millet-based products in both domestic and export markets. As on date, out of total allocation of Rs. 800 crores for PLISMBP, an amount of Rs.793.27 crore has been approved to incentivise 29 applicants, which includes 8 large and 21 Small & Medium entities.

Under PMFME Scheme, Millet based products has been identified as One District One Product (ODOP) in 21 districts in the country. Millet Mahotsav were organised in 30 districts of various States/UTs as a part of International Year of Millet (IYoM 2023) to provide support for micro food processing entrepreneurs, particularly those engaged in the processing of millet products. It aimed to foster start-ups, entrepreneurs and boost the micro sector of the food industry. As on 31.12.2025, under PMFME Scheme, 4,612 micro food processing enterprises with subsidy of Rs. 91.20 Cr for millet processing units has been approved across the country.

One food processing unit have been approved in the country under Creation/ Expansion of Food Processing & Preservation Capacities (CEFPPC), a component scheme of PMKSY.

Under Branding and Marketing component of the PMFME scheme, support is provided to Farmer producer Organisation s/Self Help Groups/Cooperatives or a Special Purpose Vehicle of micro food processing enterprises including millet based products processing for developing a common packaging & branding with provision for quality control, standardization, and adhering to food safety parameters for consumer retail sale.

The incentives under the PLISFPI are admissible where the entire chain of manufacturing processes takes place in India. Under PLISMBP Scheme, the sale of Millet based products of the approved beneficiaries increased from Rs.35.00 crores in 2020-21 to Rs.814.00 crore in 2024-25. Millet procurement of PLISMBP applicants increased from 1092 MT in the year 2020-21 to 16130 MT in 2024-25.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Food Processing Industries Shri Ravneet Singh in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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