

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 244**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2020

**COLD STORAGE FACILITIES**

244. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps towards implementing cold storage facilities in Karnataka and Anicut Constituency of Tamil Nadu to Guna for Mango, Jasmine flower during off season;
- (b) if so, the details of steps undertaken in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) to (c): The Government does not setup cold storage of its own. Government is implementing various schemes under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of cold storages for storage of perishable horticulture produce throughout the country including Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

Schemes under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of cold storages in the country are as follows:

**i) Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH):**

Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare is implementing Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) under which financial assistance is provided for various horticulture activities including setting up of cold storages. The component is demand/entrepreneur driven for which Government assistance in the form of credit linked back ended subsidy is available at the rate of 35% (for general areas) and 50% (for hilly and scheduled areas) of eligible capital cost of the project for both public and private sector enterprises.

Government of Karnataka has reported that, at present, thirty seven (37) cold storages have been established in Karnataka and Government of Tamil Nadu reported that, two (2) cold storage units established in Vellore (Anicut) Lok Sabha Constituency for storage of perishable horticultural produce like fruits, vegetables and flowers.

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**ii) Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY):**

Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing the Scheme for Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition Infrastructure as one of the component of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) with the objective of reducing post-harvest losses of horticulture & non-horticulture produce and providing remunerative price to farmers for their produce. Under the scheme, Ministry provides financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid at the rate 35% for general areas and 50% for North East States, Himalayan States, ITDP areas and Islands for storage and transport infrastructure and at the rate of 50% and 75% respectively for value addition and processing infrastructure subject to a maximum of Rs.10 crore per project for setting up Integrated Cold Chain projects including Irradiation facility. Standalone cold storages are not covered under the Scheme.

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