FAQs

Sectoral

Fruits & Vegetables

1. What types of industries/units are permitted in Mega Food Park?

Only food processing industries/units that make food products fit for human and animal consumption are permitted to be set up in the Mega Food Parks. Packaging facilities of food products as ancillary to the food processing industries will also be eligible for setting up in the Mega Food Parks. However, setting up of alcoholic beverage unit as an anchor unit will not be allowed.

2. For Mega food park, does the land needs to be changed from Agricultural to Industrial?

Yes, it is mandatory to have Change of Land Use (CLU). CLU is not required in case the land is already in a designated industrial area.

3. What is minimum land requirement for setting-up Mega Food Park?

The minimum land required for setting-up a Mega Food Park is 50 acres of contiguous land and free from any kind of encumbrance. The selection of land needs to be justified in terms of connectivity and availability of basic infrastructure such as approach road, power, water etc. as also in terms of availability of raw materials/market.

4. Where can I find labelling requirements for food retail in India?

Depending upon the food category there are additional disclosures required to be made as per FSSAI regulations. Also, the packing material would need to comply with relevant packaged commodity regulations (Legal Metrology Act and rules issued thereunder). Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has published regulations that prescribe packaging and labelling requirements. For more information, click here.

5. How much Foreign Direct Investment is allowed in food processing sector?

a) 100% FDI is permitted under the Automatic route in food processing industries b) 100% FDI is allowed through Government Approval route for trading, including through e-commerce in respect of food products manufactured or produced in India. For more information, click here.

6. Which are major fruits and vegetables that are covered under Operations Green Scheme?

Fruits: Mango, Banana, Guava, Kiwi, Lichi, Papaya, Mousambi, Orange, Kinnow, Lime, Lemon, Pineapple, Pomegranate, Jackfruit, Apple, Almond, Aonla, Passion Fruit and Pear; Vegetables: French beans, Bitter Gourd, Brinjal, Capsicum, Carrot, Cauliflower, Chillies (Green), Okra, Cucumber, Peas, Garlic, Onion, Potato and Tomato.