

Explain the various initiatives taken by govt. of India for the development and growth of food processing sector:

Agriculture and food processing sectors have contributed upto 3.6% of GDP in Economy till Quarter 2 data, and all other sectors ~~were~~ have shown ~~low~~ growth rate due to COVID-19 lockdown.

* Various Initiative taken by Govt.

⇒ Govt. launched various scheme like:

(1) Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY)

(2) Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana

- launched in 2018
- Loan interest by farmers are paid by Govt on behalf of farmer.
- provides relief on farmer
- Govt plans to extend upto 5.5 crore more farmer [Budget FY20]

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(3) Kissan Credit Card (KCC):

- Farmers are provided Credit Card ~~to~~ (RuPay Card)
- Can avail upto 1.5 lakh
- Health Insurance of upto 50,000 pre included if registered on the first week of January
- Claimed to be ~~the~~ recorded largest

no. of registrations

⇒ Operation Green (OB) in

→ apart from Tomato, onion & Potato (TOP) other 10 food grains were added in this list

→ The goods or food grains were allowed to export or trade to other part of country.

→ ~~10~~ ten other goods were added [acc. to Budget 2021]

⇒ Fisheries production also went all time high of approx. 14.16 Million tons [Survey 2020-21]

Conclusion :

- Agriculture is the Keen sector and the engine oil for the human and its development. It also performed better than expected during the COVID-19 lockdown (or) pandemic. Without lockdown there could be more possibility to get export and to grow and contribute more in GDP.