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## Successful implementation of PMFME scheme in Jolaibari RD Block

Pradhan Mantri formalization of micro food processing enterprises (PMFME) scheme under Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan have completed one year and has been successfully implemented in Jolaibari RD Block.

The main objectives of the scheme were to increase access to credit to entrepreneurs like SHGs and FPOs and to enhance the competitiveness of existing individual micro enterprises in the unorganized segment of the food processing industry and promote formalization of the sector.

The component under PMFME for providing seed capital to SHGs is being implemented with the support of the TRLM and its network during the financial year of 2021-22 under Jolaibari RD Block. The PMFME scheme envisages financial support of Rs 40,000 for working capital and purchase of small tools for each member of SHGs engaged in food processing activities. Block Coordinator, Jolaibari RD Block Mithun Chakraborty informed that the project period was for five years.

Around 57 applicants from different SHGs involved in the food processing unit under Jolaibari block have submitted of which 18 applicants have been granted financial support of Rs 40,000 each. Along with the financial supports under the scheme, many bank have offered 35% subsidy to the SHGs members.

This is a huge achievement of TRLM under Jolaibari RD Block as the members of SHGs can uplift and grow their existing small scale food processing unit, added the Block Coordinator. Further focus is being given on supporting farmer producers' organisations, SHGs and cottage industries in rural regions of Jolaibari in line with Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan initiatives.

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