

The Role of Agro Based Industries in Rural Development of Marathwada Region

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Abstract: -

The Problems of agro based industries in Marathwada region and remedies for the development of agro based industries in Marathwada. The regional imbalance is main threat to development in society as well as country. So it is need to focus the problems and remedies for regional balanced development. Agriculture is the backbone of the Indian economy. Agro based Industries will provide more employment and it will be stop migration rural to urban. The agro based industries has more and wide scope in Marathwada but it is need to concentrate to some important issues some of the issues discussed in present research paper.

Keywords: -

Marathwada, Agro based Industries, Regional Imbalance, Government Policies.

Introduction: -

Agriculture and Industry are Integral components of the development of any country's economy. Indian economy also known as agrarian economy. Agro based Industries has been given significant priority in economic and rural development in India. As Mahatma Gandhi's emphasis on developing village – based agro industry in the movement for independence marked the beginning. Agriculture provides inputs to the industry and output of the industries are depends on agriculture for their raw material and other inputs. We have seen there is inter – dependence between agriculture and industry. This types of inter-dependence mainly need of our region state as well as country. It results in to the growth of agriculture production and employment creation on agro based industry.

Agro based industry creates greater opportunities for industrial growth as well as integration of the different sectors of the economy. Agro based industries may be classified into two categories.

A) Food Processing Industries.

B) Non- Food Processing Industries.

Food Processing Industries mainly deal with the preservation of perishable products and utilization of by product for other purposes these types of industries include the processing of wheat, rice, barley, maize, fruits and vegetable etc.

➤ **Meaning**

Agro Based Industries are industries which use the agriculture products as raw material ex. Cotton, Silk and Jute Industries

➤ **Research Methodology: -**

The present research study depends on secondary source of data and information. The secondary data collected through various articles, reference books, expert committee reports, government publications and various websites.

➤ **Objectives: -**

1. To Study the Importance and need of agro based industries in rural development.
2. To Study the Problems of agro Based Industries in Rural Development.

Importance of Agro based Industries: -

- Organization of agro based industries is based on the availability of raw material.
- Agro based industries have to set up at rural areas where raw material can be available and its help to develop the rural economy.
- To provide an employment opportunity for rural population.
- It helps to increase the income and economic condition of rural population.
- Solve the problem of exploitation of the farming community by traders.
- It help to farmers to be assured of a better price for their product.
- Encourage to bring more areas under various crops and also increase agricultural production and improve the rural economy.
- It help to decrease the transportation cost, agriculture products also help to minimize the cost of finished goods.
- It help to develop backward areas based on their suitability for setting up agro industries

Types of Food Processing Industries

- **Food Produce Processing Industries** – This types of industries can be preserved and transported at a cheaper cost. There is no new product is manufactured ex. rice-mills, dal – mills, etc.
- **Agro Produce Manufacturing Industries** – This types of industries manufactured completely new product. Finished goods will be totally different from its original raw material. Ex. Sugar factory, bakery, textile mills etc.
- **Agro – Inputs Manufacturing Industries** - This types of industries are made agro inputs. It helps to increase the productivity of agriculture. Ex. seeds industries, fertilizer and pesticide industries etc.
- **Agro Service Centers** - Agro service center are mainly workshop and service centers which are engaged in repairing and servicing of pump sets, diesel engines and all types of farm equipment's.

Review of Literature: -

- **Parmasivan C. (2016)** – “Performance of agro based industries in India.” The present research work is discussing the performance of agro based industries in India. Also the role of agro based industries to play a large extent in solving the problem of poverty, unemployment and inequality in India. Also it highlighting the significantly contribute to the overall development of the economy.
- **Wangshimenla Jamir (2018)** - Importance of agro based industries for economic development in Assam. The present research article examines that the importance of agro based industries for economic development in the state of Assam only. Also this article focused on the output management, enhance farmer's income, widening of market, addition to national income through the value addition and employment creation. Also it attempts to explore the scenario of agro based industries, Importance, challenges and strategies for agro based industries in Assam.
- **Bhosale V. (2016):** - “The agro based Processing industries in rural development in India.” The Present research work examines that the priority given to agro based industries in India. In the context of their role in rural and small farmers development. Also focused on their real and potential contribution and challenges faced.

- Problems Of Agro Based Industry In Marathwada Region
- Employment generator
- Less Capital Investment
- Social and Economic Development
- The Locally obtainable raw material used in production activities.
- Lack of basic Infrastructure.
- Inappropriate equipment and Technological support.
- Lack of skilled workers.
- Very less research and development Department.
- Seasonality in crops.
- Less supply of Water and Electricity
- Weakness in Market development.
- Need for agro based industries
- Appropriate to rural areas as they are raw material oriented.
- To solve the problem of Employment.
- To Increase Income and Standard of living.
- For decentralization and spreading of Industries.
- To support balanced growth between agriculture and Industry.
- To avoid wastage of perishable agricultural products.
- To prevent the migration of people from rural to urban areas.
- To develop infrastructural facilities.
- To give a big push to agriculture.

Conclusion: -

Agro based Industries plays pivotal role in the process of agricultural and industrial development but agro based industries not performing well in Marathwada, It has been some serious problems including low capital, Insufficient Infrastructure, no Continuity in government policies etc.

Agro based Industries will provide more employment and it will be stop migration rural to urban. The agro based industries has more and wide scope in Marathwada but It is need to concentrate to some important issues some of the issues discussed in present research paper.

Remedies: -

- To create more number of agro based industries in rural areas, it help to create more employment.
- To change the cropping pattern according to the seasons.
- To establish the skilled development oriented institution.

- To focus of decentralization and spreading industries in rural area.
- To create the more number of R & D department in rural areas.
- To provide basic infrastructure facilities in rural areas.
- To focus on living standard and income of the people.
- To prevent the migration of people rural to urban areas.
- To develop the transportation and export facilities.
- To focus on the development of market facilities in rural areas.

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