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PM Modi during a roadshow in Reasi on Thursday. J&K's remaining two poll phases are on September 25 and October 1. PTI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi Thursday said that India has introduced “wide-ranging” reforms to transform the food-processing sector in the last 10 years.


In his message at World Food India 2024, which began in New Delhi on Thursday, the Prime Minister said, “During the last 10 years, we have introduced wide-ranging reforms to transform the food processing sector. Through multidimensional initiatives such as 100% FDI in food processing, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana, formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises, Production Linked Incentive scheme for food-processing industries; we are creating a strong ecosystem of modern infrastructure, robust supply chains and employment generation across the country.”

“The participation of several nations showcases World Food India 2024 as a vibrant platform for the brightest minds from global food industry, academia and research to make the most of increasing opportunities, share and engage in a two-way learning from each other’s experiences,” Modi said.

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“The backbone of the Indian food ecosystem is the farmer. It is farmers who have ensured the creation of nutritious and delicious traditions of culinary excellence. We are supporting their hard work with innovative policies and focused implementation,” he said.



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“In the modern era, through progressive agricultural practices, strong administrative frameworks and cutting-edge technologies, our effort is to ensure that India sets global benchmarks for innovation, sustainability and safety in the food sector,” he added.

“At such a juncture, World Food India is an ideal platform for us to work with the world through B2B interactions and exhibitions, Reverse Buyer-Seller meets, and country, state and sector-specific sessions,” the Prime Minister said.

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“Further, I am sure that important topics such as food irradiation to enhance food safety and reduce food wastage, plant-based proteins to promote nutrition and sustainability, as well as the circular economy will be showcased,” he added.

On the inaugural day of the World Food India, a high-level CEO roundtable under the co-chairpersonship of Minister of Commerce & Industry [Piyush Goyal](#) and

Minister of Food Processing Industries [Chirag Paswan](#) was organised.

Addressing the gathering at World Food India 2024, Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Pralhad Joshi welcomed the global dignitaries and highlighted India's remarkable journey in achieving food security, sustainability, and innovation. He reiterated the government's commitment to secure good quality food for domestic and global consumers, ensuring a hunger-free world. He emphasised ensuring welfare of farmers through initiatives aimed at boosting incomes, improving access to technology and providing fair prices for their produce.

Paswan said that the 3rd edition of World Food India marks a pivotal moment in India's journey as a global leader in the food processing industry, which has become a key contributor for driving exports, employment, and income for farmers.

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