

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (e). A letter of intent had been granted to M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation on

28th September, 1988 (subsequently this letter of intent was transferred to M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd.) for an integrated project for the manufacture of the following items:—

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| 1. Processed potato/grain foods | 8,000 MTs |
| 2. Soft Drink Concentrate | 20,000 units (one unit produces 1800 cases, each case of 24 services of 225 millilitres each) |
| 3. Processed Fruit/vegetable products | 12,000 MTs |
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As per information made available by M/s. Pepsi Foods Pvt. Ltd. the plant for processing potato and grain-based products is already under operation. The plants for fruit processing and soft drink concentrate are at an advanced stage of implementation. The expenditure incurred on fixed assets has been indicated to be Rs. 35 crores.

(a) whether the Pepsi Foods Projects has not been cleared by Union Government;

(b) if so, the main reasons for not granting clearance to the projects; and

(c) the time by which the clearance will be given?

Clearance to Pepsi Food Projects

308. SHRI DHARMESH PRASAD VARMA:
SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

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Vegetable and Fruit Processing Project in Kerala

309. SHRI G.M. BANATWALLA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a project for vegetable and fruit including coconuts processing and marketing for the help of the State of Kerala; and

(b) if so, the steps taken in the matter?