

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES IN RAJASTHAN  
RAMESHWAR DUDI;RATNA SINGH

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have formulated any policy to promote setting up of food processing industries in Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh during 2001 – 02;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of food processing industries getting Central assistance in these States during the last two – three years?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES ( SHRI TH. CHAOBA SINGH )

(a) & (b): Government have taken a number of policy initiatives to promote the growth of Processed Food Sector in the country. Under the Plan Schemes of the Department of Food Processing Industries (DFPI), financial assistance is extended to Non-Governmental Organisations, Cooperatives, Public Sector Undertakings, Private Industries, Human Resources Development and Research and Development Institutions etc. for the development of this sector. The schemes are project oriented and not State or area specific.

(c): Financial assistance under the Plan Schemes of the Department has been extended to 18 food processing projects received from Uttar Pradesh during the last three years, apart from extending assistance for training programmes and setting up of Food Analysis and Research Centre. Assistance for Entrepreneurial Development Programme has been extended on the basis of proposal received from Rajasthan.