

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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PROPOSALS TO SET UP FPIS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have received any proposals from the State Governments to set up FPIs in the States including Scheduled Districts during the last three years, till date;
- (b) if so, the number of proposals pending/under consideration of the Government, State-wise;
- (c) by when the proposals are likely to be accorded approval; and
- (d) the financial assistance proposed to be provided to the State Governments for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) to (c): No application from any State Government for the setting up of a food processing unit (including scheduled districts) has been received. However, the State Nodal Agencies, designated as such by the respective State Governments for the purpose, have been forwarding proposals from NGOs, private sector, etc., from their respective States. These proposals are considered, provided they are technically feasible and financially viable. The number of proposals for consideration, thus, depends upon the feasibility. No specific time frame could be indicated as these involve detailed appraisal from both the afore-said angles.

(d): No direct financial assistance is provided to State Governments in this regard.