

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

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FUNDS FOR UPGRADATION OF MEAT PLANTS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the programmes being implemented by his Ministry under the scheme "Upgradation of Meat Plants" and the criteria for providing loans, grants and financial assistance/aid alongwith details of contribution of State Governments therein; and

(b) the funds allocated to the States including Rajasthan during the last three years, year-wise and programme/scheme- wise?

Answer

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

(a): Ministry of Food Processing Industries is operating a Plan Scheme for Technology Upgradation, Establishment and Modernisation of Food Processing Industries including Meat and Poultry Processing Plants. Financial assistance in the form of grant upto 25% of the cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas and 33.33% upto a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas is provided by this Ministry. Contribution by State Government is their prerogative.

(b): The schemes of Ministry of Food Processing Industries are project oriented and not state or area specific. There is therefore no direct allocation of funds to states. However, the following approvals have been given in the state of Rajasthan:-

(1) Setting up of Food Park at Kota.

(2) Setting up of Food Park at Jodhpur.