

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

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FOOD TECHNOLOGY PARKS .

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

- (a) Whether the Union Government provides financial assistance to State Governments for setting up of Food Technology Parks in their States;
- (b) If so, the details of the financial assistance provided to the State Governments for the purpose during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) Whether the Union Government has received proposals from the State Governments for financial assistance during the current year in this regard; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries under its Plan Scheme provides financial assistance to various implementing agencies such as Public Sector Undertakings /Joint/Assisted/Private Sector/Non Governmental Organizations /Cooperatives for creation of common facilities in Food Parks, such as un-interrupted power supply, water supply, cold storage/ ice plant/ warehousing facilities, effluent treatment plant, quality control and analytical laboratory etc. in food parks, upto 25% of the project cost in General Areas and 33.33% in Difficult Areas, subject to a maximum of Rs.4.00 crores on common facilities. The grant of assistance is considered based on complete & viable project proposals received from the implementing agencies in various States, duly appraised by Banks / Financial Institutions and recommended by the respective State Nodal Agencies. The assistance is released directly to the project implementing agency.

(b) to (d): A statement showing financial assistance approved for setting up of Food Parks in different States by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries during last three years viz. 2003- 2004, 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 is Annexed. During the current financial year 2006-07, four project proposals for setting up of food parks – one in District Hardwar, Uttaranchal, one in District Alwar, Rajasthan, one in Rajamundry, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh and one in Kundli, District Sonapat, Haryana have been received through State Nodal Agencies. The proposals have been scrutinized and required supporting information/clarifications have been called for.