

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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AGRO BASED INDUSTRIES
Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up agro based industries like sugar, groundnut and sunflower etc. in the country particularly in Bagalkot District of Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the details thereof; State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) & (b): There is no proposal under consideration of this Department to set up any agro based industry like sugar, groundnut and sunflower etc. in the country. However, it has been reported by Government of Karnataka that the following Food Parks have been approved by Government of India in Karnataka:-

(i) Bagalkote

(ii) Hinyur in Chitrdurga District,

(iii) Jewargi in Gulbarga District,

(iv) Malur in Kolar District.

Further, Government of Karnataka has intimated that M/s. Green Food Park Ltd., is setting up food park at KIADB Industrial Area, Navnagar, Bagalkot District on 100 acres plot. As per the norms of Government of India, the Food Park should allot plots for establishing a minimum of 20 Food Processing Industries for processing groundnut, sunflower etc., could be set-up in the park area.