GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE FOR FPI
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) The details of production, consumption and export of processed and packed food during each of the last three years;
- (b) The steps taken to promote and develop infrastructure in order to bring the farmers and industries closer;
- (c) Whether the Government is contemplating to provide financial assistance to the entrepreneurs for promoting agriculture diversification and setting up new food processing units;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) The details of agriculture produce used as raw material for processing during the each of the last three years?

Answer

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

- (a): The data pertaining to production, consumption and export of processed and packed food is not maintained by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.
- (b): The Government is providing financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid to the implementing agencies for infrastructure development of food processing industries in the country. Financial assistance upto 50% of project cost excluding land component in general areas and 75% in difficult areas (J&K,Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, North East including Sikkim and ITDP notified areas of the States), subject to a maximum of Rs. 50.00 crores is provided for setting up of Mega Food Parks. For Cold, Value Addition and Preservation infrastructure, financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid @ 50% of the total cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works in general areas and 75% in difficult areas, subject to a maximum of Rs. 10.00 crores, is provided. For Establishing/Modernisation of Abattoirs in the country, Ministry extends financial assistance with the involvement of local bodies.
- (c) & (d): Under the Scheme for Technology Upgradation/ Modernisation/ Establishment of Food Processing Industries, MFPI extends financial assistance to food processing units in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the cost of plant and machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs.50.00 lakhs in general areas, or @33.33% subject to maximum of Rs. 75.00 lakhs in difficult areas such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and North-Eastern States, A&N Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas.
- (e): The data is not maintained by Ministry of Food Processing Industries