

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

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

- (a) the names of the public sector food processing industries operating in the country;
- (b) whether public sector food processing units are running in profits;
- (c) if so, the details of profits earned during the last three years; and
- (d) the steps taken to establish more economically viable food processing units and to revive sick units?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHA)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not maintain data on the public sector food processing industries operating in the country. There is no public sector food processing industry operating under this Ministry.

(d): There is no separate scheme exclusively for establishment of more economically viable food processing units and to revive sick units, however, under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries, financial assistance is provided for setting up of new food processing units as well as Technological Upgradation and Expansion of existing units in the country to private enterprises. Ministry extends financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid to entrepreneurs @ 25% of the cost of Plant & Machinery and Technical Civil Works subject to a maximum of Rs.50 lakhs in general areas or 33.33% subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs in difficult areas under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation/Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries.