

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

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SETTING UP OF FPI  
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**Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of food processing units established in the country so far along with the details of capital invested, employment generated, production statistics, etc., unit-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the number of such units established by the State Governments under Central funding;
- (c) the number of such units established in private sector, cooperative sector and joint sector (Central and State Governments); and
- (d) the total investment made by the Union Government in West Bengal in fruit processing sector during the last three years, year-wise?

**Answer**

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

(a): Food Processing Industries are set up both in organized and unorganized sectors and as such data on the number of food processing unit and production statistics etc. unit-wise in the country is not centrally maintained by the Ministry. However, as per competitiveness report of National Manufacturing Competitiveness Council, Government of India, total 25367 registered food processing units are functioning in the country. The invested capital in these registered units is Rs. 84,094 crore.

Food Processing Industries play a pivotal role in generating employment and providing value addition of agricultural commodities including poultry, meat, dairy and fisheries. Food processing has significant potential for employment generation not only directly but across the supply chain in production of raw materials, storage of produce and finished products and distribution of food products.

The employment intensity in the organized sector is 18 direct and 64 indirect per Rs. 1.00 crore of investment. In unorganized sector, the employment intensity is estimated to be approximately 100 direct per Rs. 1.00 crore of investment.

(b) & (c): No such units are established by the Central Government under Central Scheme in the States, Private Sector, Cooperative Sector and Joint Sector (Central & State Government). However, Ministry extends the financial assistance under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation/ Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries for setting up of new food processing units as well as Technological Upgradation and Expansion of existing units in the country 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 lakh in general area or @33.33% subject to maximum of Rs. 75.00 lakh in difficult areas such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and North Eastern States, A&N Islands, Lakshadweep and ITDP areas. The details of financial assistance provided to the entrepreneurs/ implementing agencies in the various States in the country during last three years is at Annexure.

(d): Ministry of Food Processing Industries under its Plan Scheme of Technology Upgradation / Establishment/ Modernization of Food Processing Industries provides the financial assistance in the shape of grant in aid to food processing industries including that of fruit processing in the country including West Bengal. The Scheme is aimed at creation of new processing capacity and up-gradation of existing processing capabilities, modernization of Food Processing Sector to include Milk, Fruit & Vegetables, Meat, Poultry, fishery, cereal, consumer items, oil seeds, rice milling, flour milling, pulse etc. in various States including backward areas. The financial assistance are provided to the proposals received from eligible agencies for setting up of food processing units as per guidelines of scheme.

The details of financial assistance provided by the Ministry for food processing industries including fruit processing sector in West Bengal during last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
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Approved Amount released	Approved Amount released	Approved Amount released
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